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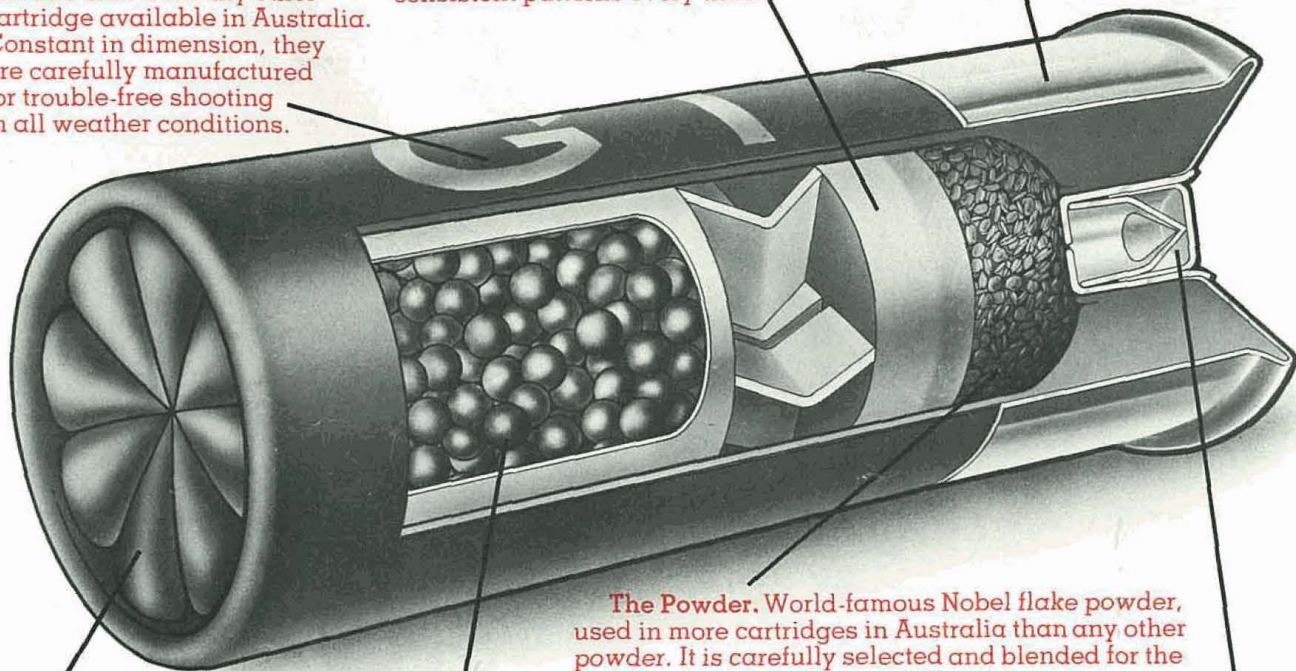


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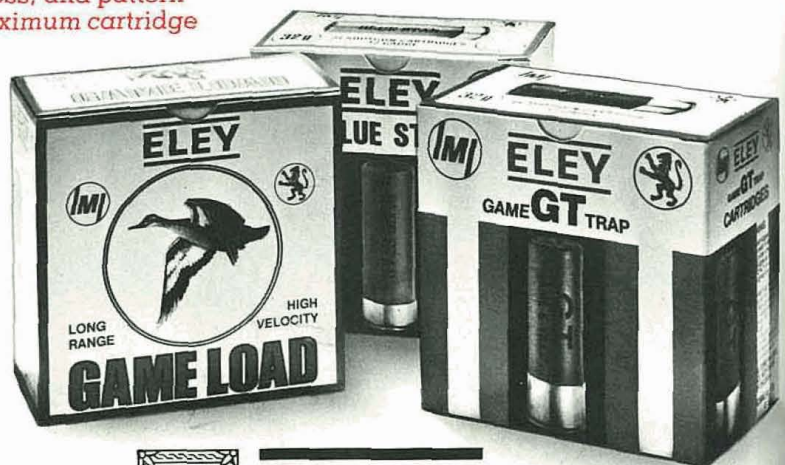
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# SECRETARY'S NOTES

Another first for the Australian Clay Target Association — this is the first time that "Clay Target Shooting News" has been published in January. That the move is warranted can be borne out by the fact that this is another very large issue — it contains 70 advertisements many of which would not have been placed if the January issue had not been available.

As we move into 1978, the Association is entering a new era insofar as development is concerned. 1977 was a year of re-establishment and if reviewed on that basis, was quite a successful period. The financial deficit which occurred in 1976 has been offset, and the Association is now well based to move into top gear. Some of the projects to which consideration should be given in the short term future include extensions to the Coaching Scheme, establishment of a National Shooting Ground, improvement of relationships with other sporting shooting organisations, both within and outside Australia, development of more sponsorship programs, wider distribution of CTSN. The list could be extended a great deal further. However, none of the above suggestions is more important than increasing our membership.

Membership numbers is the basis on which the Association is judged when it makes approaches to "outsiders". The fact that our membership remained virtually unchanged from 1966 to 1976 is a very black mark against the A.C.T.A., although the 1977 increase of 20% has substantially erased the "bruise". The fact that our membership increased to around 9200 in the last year is a great incentive to do even better in 1978. Remember, if each of us introduces one new member before the end of 1978, our membership could increase to 18,000. But why leave the introduction until later — ACT NOW and give a friend the opportunity to get the sort of satisfaction from Clay Target Shooting that you are, and reap the benefits of a full year's fees as well.

It is worth noting here that the decision to make no increase in 1978 Registration fees was based on our ability to increase the number of registered shooters. Quite obviously the Association's operating costs must continue to increase, and the extra money must come from somewhere — none of us wants a return to those traumatic days which occurred late in 1976.

What about a National Shooting Ground? Sure, I realise that only a small proportion of our total National membership attends Nationals, but this situation is changing and as the number of competitors at Nationals increases, it is irresponsible for the Association to continue to expect individual Clubs to expand their facilities, to be used only once every five or six years. Consideration should also be given to the physical restrictions on space confronting most of the Clubs which are traditionally considered as venues for Nationals. Let's have a look at a couple of them — Brisbane, host Club for the 1977 Nationals, just managed with eight trap grounds plus a practice ground. Although it has space to install ONE more trap ground, will nine DTL layouts be sufficient in six year's time? Adelaide (S.A. Gun Club) will manage with its seven trap grounds in 1978, but there is no way it could conveniently accommodate the Nationals entry of approximately 850 shooters in 1984. Which introduces another question — should our National Championship events be increased to 100

targets? After all, they are intended to be the PREMIER events of our Skeet and DTL shooting calendar, and yet the "course" is no more of a challenge than some of the bigger Club matches.

Having decided that the Association needs a National Shooting Headquarters, the next question to be answered would be — WHERE? Interstate jealousies are luxuries that cannot be afforded when making these major policy decisions — financial geographic and convenience factors must all be FULLY considered before any decision is reached, after which ALL people concerned with the development must work in unison.

Speaking of decisions, the most urgent decision confronting the Association relates to the matter of Constitutional revision.

It was originally intended to publish the proposed changes in CTSN to give all readers a chance to form an opinion. On reflection, such a plan may have caused further misunderstandings, which is a problem we can do without. Instead, every Club in Australia now has a copy of the changes which have been RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE. Please make yourself aware of the changes, discuss any queries you may have either with the Committee of your Club, the Zone in which your Club is located, or your State Association. This is a matter on which the future of the Association depends very heavily, and if a decision is to be made at the 1978 Annual General Meeting (to be held in Adelaide during the Nationals) it must be RESPONSIBLE. Arguments for and against the proposals have been aired through CTSN but the ultimate decision rests with Clubs, whose delegates will vote at the AGM. The basic purpose of the changes is to streamline the administration of the A.C.T.A., to bring it more into line with modern thinking, and therefore, hopefully facilitate more effective and faster decision making from State Association right through to National Executive Committee.

To those of you who are reading this prior to Christmas, the National President Ern Hawkins and his Executive Committee join me in wishing you a very happy Christmas.

To all our readers, best wishes for an enjoyable and successful shooting year in 1978.

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# SHOTSHELL RELOADING . . .

## PART 4: Mechanics 111 by PAT BROWNE

### MULTI-STAGE, TURRET OR PROGRESSIVE PRESSES

To tidy up the mechanics section and before we get involved in ballistics let us have a look at progressive loaders and what to look for when using one.

As mentioned in earlier chapters these presses are of necessity more complicated and more expensive than the single stage press. In fact, when you set one up on a bench it looks very awe inspiring. Don't let the look of the press throw you if you are not mechanically minded, the thing to remember is that it is no different in principle of operation to the single stage press. All the progressive loader does in actual fact is perform all the eight loading operations at the one time. In other words it completes a shell every time you pull the handle. Don't get me wrong however and think that the turret press is so simple that loading shotshells on one is a breeze, a good knowledge of the press operation IS necessary before you will get the press working to its full potential.

A most important thing to remember is that this type of press is not for the tinkerer, it is a production machine. If you like playing with reloads and working out new load combinations a turret press is not for you. Again don't get me wrong, you can make up any type of load on this style of press, but as a rule you set it up to run a particular type of load and you run a lot of them. Being a high capacity machine the turret press I have found is used for only two or three, perhaps four particular loading combinations. Most owners set the press up to load a 32 gram trap and skeet load, a 32 gram handicap and field load and a 36 gram handicap and field load. The thing to remember is that the shooter that has a use for press of this capacity does a lot of shooting and as a result he wants to load a lot of shells quickly and economically. Another application of this press is for club or syndicate loading which we will discuss later.

#### Setting up your press

The same principles apply when setting up the progressive loader as are used for the single stage press with a few exceptions. All of this type of press available in Australia have automatic primer feed and so you do away with the primer tray. As a rule you are handling much larger numbers of shells with a progressive loader and therefore you need more space on your bench than for a single stage press. Bench layout can be similar to the single stage set up keeping in mind the working cycle of the press. The very nature of the turret press being circular means that you both put-on and take-off around the same side of the press. This puts most of the activity on one side of the press leaving room on the other side for components. Setting up procedure differs with each make of press but some broad principles apply. The most important thing for you to do after bolting the press to the bench is to READ THE INSTRUCTION BOOK that comes with the press. All presses have a different technique for getting the indexing plate full and the press operating without getting shot and powder all over the place.

At this time we come back to part I when we talked at some length about empty hulls, what to look for and how to sort them. This subject I cannot stress too much as the success of the operation of your progressive loader is dependent on the quality of the empty hulls that you feed the machine. It is most important that you feed consistent hulls to any progressive loader. When I say consistent I mean well sorted hulls of the same type, e.g. once fired AA's or Blue Star's. This is the time that care and patience in sorting and classifying your empty hull's will pay off. It is also the time that a 'case conditioner' comes into its own. Decapped and resized shells that have been through the conditioner give you a great start when using a progressive loader. Three of the four loaders available having indexing plates that need empties that sit flat and move with the plate without wobbling. Careful attention to this detail will ensure you of trouble free running.

I have digressed a little and so back to the setting up procedure. After inserting the correct shot and powder bushings or charge bar you have done as much as is possible until you set up the primer feed. A point to remember is that powder bushes for single stage

presses do not necessarily throw the same weight when used in a turret press. You remember last month when we talked about consistency of technique, well this is the reason. With a progressive loader, for each shell you only give the press one bump as distinct from the single stage press where you give the press five or six bumps. This means that the same bush used in a progressive loader will throw from 1.5 to 2 grains lighter than in a single stage press, not a bad thing to remember.

Now, before you go any further load up your primer tube and attach it to the press. At this stage you have no powder and shot in the containers so work the press and feed primers adjusting the mechanism until primers feed faultlessly. We will come back to primer feed later.

At this stage charge your containers with powder and shot making sure that on the presses that have them, that the powder and shot controls are in the OFF position. Insert an empty hull into station 1 and work the handle of the press to decap the hull. A primer should be in position for insertion at this stage as you index to station 2. Re-priming is carried out as you work the handle at this station, on one press the powder charge is also dropped at this station. Indexing to station 3 on some presses you get your powder charge or seat your wad and so on. Close attention to the setting up instructions supplied with the press will soon have your turret full and ready to go on a production run. Adjustments to your press for wad depth and crimp are exactly the same as for a single stage press and the time to adjust them is after you have the turret full and the press working. The same procedure applies when checking powder weights as for the single stage press and it is a good idea to discard the first dozen or so shells that come off the press, it takes about this number for a progressive loader to settle down.

#### Technique for progressive loaders

With progressive loaders the secret is to keep your wits about you and work slowly and steadily. Cleanliness is of the utmost importance. The critical points of the loading cycle are the primer feed and the indexing movement. All these points come together in the technique. Working slowly and steadily allows the shells in the indexing plate to settle down from the wobble they get when they are moved. This wobble is most pronounced after you drop the shot load and before you start the crimp. The shell is top heavy and if jerked around on the indexing plate can cause hang-ups if the crimp starter misses the mouth of the shell because of a wobble. This wobble can also cause problems with wad insertion if the wad guide misses the mouth of the shell.

Cleanliness is of the utmost importance and is tied up with the primer feed. It is very messy on a progressive loader when a primer fails to feed and a powder charge drops through onto the indexing plate and base. A dropped shot load is also bad news and if either of these malfunctions occur it is most important that everything stop and the mess cleaned up before loading continues. Pieces of shot and loose powder cause havoc with indexing and primer feeding and can turn a pleasant reloading session into a nightmare.

So, when you start a reloading session on a progressive loader work yourself out a sequence and stick to it. I use a Mec 650 and it becomes second nature after a short time to (a) take off the finished shell and put on a new empty, (b) put a wad on the wad guide, (c) check that a primer has dropped as you index to the next station and (d) glance up to see that the charge bar has returned to the right position for the next pull of the handle. If you work out a quick visual check list you will iron out most of the kinks that can bug you when using the progressive loader. The cardinal rule on this type of press is as follows:

**ANY TIME YOU MEET AN OBSTRUCTION — STOP — AND FIND OUT WHY! YOUR LOADER IS DESIGNED TO OPERATE EASILY AND WITHOUT ANY BLOCKAGE. IF YOU MEET RESISTANCE TO THE HANDLE PULL, INVESTIGATE. IT MAY BE THAT THE WAD DID NOT PROPERLY SLIDE INTO THE CASE, YOU MAY HAVE TWO PRIMERS IN THE PRIMER POCKET, A CASE COULD BE OUT OF LINE OR YOU COULD HAVE DOUBLED UP ON THE WAD. Keep this rule in mind and use commonsense and you will soon be churning out reloads at a rate that will amaze you.**

To this stage I have been talking about one man operation. It is most frustrating when you work up a nice rhythm and are loading at a rate of knots to run out of primers, powder or shot. Two man operation on a progressive loader is the go. Production can be more than doubled with an extra pair of hands. One man works the press and the other acts as a floater. His job as the second pair of hands is very important on the team and would consist of the following duties:



## SHOTSHELL RELOADING Cont'd

Firstly keep the components up to the operator, top up the primer tube, add more shot and powder as required, keep the wads and empties coming and pack up the finished shells. Of the four progressive loaders on the market, three of them lend themselves to two man operation, the Ponsness Warren can take up to four working at one time with a resultant increase of production. If you are setting up a loading team, pick blokes that work well together and rotate the tasks, each should take a turn on the press and also on the other duties.

A word now about club or syndicate presses. I have mixed feelings about the practice of a reloading press being used by a lot of different people. It leads to mistakes being made and so I offer the following words of advice:

If you are in a reloading club or syndicate appoint a maintenance officer. His job is to keep the press maintained and in good working order. All the members of the syndicate should report any malfunctions of the press to this man whose job is to fix them. It is real bad news to have a lot of blokes tinkering with a press, it only leads to bad feeling amongst syndicate members. The most important point however is in the use of the press by individuals. This may sound silly but I know of the most incredible instances of fellows using a club press and not checking the charge bar configuration. When you go to the press to load a batch of shells with your own components **START FROM STRATCH**, do not rely on any other persons loading combinations, in fact it is a very good idea to have your own bushes for your own particular loads. Keeping these points in mind and using care and commonsense club reloading can be and is a very good idea. It gives more gunners access to high capacity loading equipment and spreads the economic burden a little.

This month completes our look at the mechanical side of shotshell reloading. Next month we will start our look at the ballistics of shotshells and we will delve very deeply into what makes a shotshell tick.

## ARE YOU ASHAMED TO SHOW YOUR REGISTRATION CARDS?

It is disturbing to hear of the trouble being experienced by some Clubs when shooters are asked to produce their current registration card. A classic example recently occurred at the Metropolitan Clay Target Club Grand Prix program, where shooters who couldn't produce their card were asked to sign the "Lost Card Declaration". The number of shooters who took offence at this request was small but the fact is **THERE WERE SOME!** If these competitors care to check, they will find that the rules require them to produce their card, and in any sport if it is to succeed, the rules must be adhered to.

The other point to come out of the above Club's exercise is that of the eighteen shooters who were asked to sign the "Declaration" three were found to be unregistered. In each case, it was found that the shooter's failure to register was due to an oversight, but if cards had to be produced at every Club, no unregistered shooters would be able to compete.

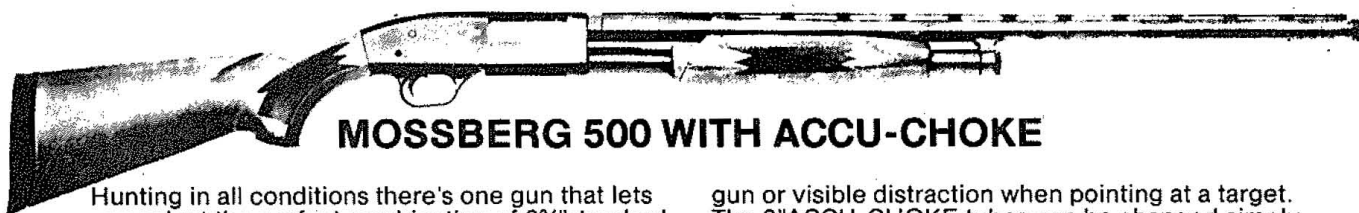
Club managements should not be timid in this regard. If a shooter takes offence when asked to produce his handicap card he obviously does not wish to comply with the shooting rules and our sport is therefore better off without him.

The more positive approach is for all Clubs to ask for and maintain cards and in a short space of time, our trap grading and handicap system will be far more effective. The answers are in the shooters' hands. Please co-operate!!

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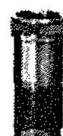
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# Amalgamation of two Major Victorian Clubs Results in New Facilities

On 1st September 1977, a new Club appeared on the Victorian scene. Its name FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN GUN CLUB. The new Club is an amalgamation of the Australian Gun Club and the Frankston Gun Club. Pressure from a number of sources had been building up against both Clubs and the tenure of their respective shooting grounds became very "dicey". As a result of "forward thinking" by the Committees of the two Clubs, a feasibility study was carried out to establish that amalgamation was the correct decision.

The decision was made and as reported last month, the site of the New Club has been a scene of feverish activity ever since.

CTSN felt that it was necessary to record the history of the two Clubs involved in the amalgamation and hopes that the following information provides interesting reading. We are most appreciative of the effort put into the production of the reports by the two respective Clubs.

## "THE AUSTRALIAN GUN CLUB"

### How it Began, and Since. "The Nobel Clay Target Club"

In 1927 Jack Sutherland, a noted shot more commonly known as "Calrossie", got together a group of shooting enthusiasts at a cafe in Flinders St., Melbourne and journeyed out to the factory of "Ammunition (Nobel) Pty Ltd", West Footscray, to try the then almost unknown sport of shooting claybirds.

Although popular in U.S.A., where it originated, earlier attempts to establish this sport in Australia had all failed. The Nobel factory (later part of I.C.I.) loaded Eley Kynoch and Nobel shotgun cartridges and gave support to ensure that the new venture was a success. The club which was formed was called the Nobel Clay Target Club and it commenced shooting over one trap in a quarry in the grounds of the factory.

Membership cost 6 shillings (60 cents) and to popularise the sport, cartridges were supplied to the shooters at trade prices, for example, Nobel Ballistite 1 1/2 oz. loads at 3/7 (36 cents) a packet. However after objections from the trade this price was increased slightly.

Clay targets were imported from England in casks and so well were they packed that breakages were a rarity. The Club was a success and with Jack Sutherland, who was a representative of Nobel touring the State, other clubs were formed.

Horace James, a great shot of the firm of Donald Mackintosh, and in constant touch with shooters, also promoted the sport and when in 1936 the Aust. Clay Pigeon Trap Shooting Association (later the A.C.T.A.) was formed on lines initiated by the Nobel club, Horace James was elected president and allotted No. 1 ticket. A youthful Fred Byers of the Nobel office attended to the secretarial duties until the club suspended operations on the outbreak of war in 1939, as did all except five of the 300 clubs which had joined the A.C.P.T.S.A. Both cartridges and clay targets were almost unobtainable.

### "The Blackburn Clay Target Club"

Founded in 1935 and situated in the property of Jack Bryant, Holland Road, Blackburn, where it was very active until 1939 when the war slowed the tempo considerably. However, the club was one of the few to keep functioning, a fact which was appreciated by some of the U.S.A. armed forces who were based in Australia at that time and were frequent visitors. The usual source of clay targets having dried up, these were made on the spot by Jack Bryant and some other members. The source of cartridges arouses some interesting speculation and the visitors were possibly a help in this regard.

With the war over in 1945, activities gradually returned to normal until in 1948 the site of the club was sold.

Vic. Fankhauser then made part of his orchard property in Burwood Rd., East Burwood, available and the club transferred there in Feb. 1948.

### "The Australian Clay Target Club"

In August 1948 the Nobel and Blackburn clubs amalgamated to form the Australian Clay Target Club which had its first shoot on 11 September, 1948. Dave Watson, president and Aub. Johnston, secretary, were both popular and efficient and the club was an instant success. Equipped with 4 D.T.L. grounds including one doubling as a skeet ground, it was for some years the venue of the National Championships and being centrally situated to the other States was

appreciated by those attending those events. In 1948 cars were not the universal means of transport they now are and a bus carried shooters from the Box Hill station to the club. It was usual for a round of skeet to be shot at the conclusion of the D.T.L. programs, this was English skeet of 20 targets (no No. 8).

After the retirement of Dave Watson as president, those to follow him were Jim Bienvenu, Geo. Biggs and Frank Johnson. In 1957 Cal. Hollow of I.C.I. conducted a shooting school at the club and this was almost too successful, 270 applying to join including the premier, Henry Bolte. I.C.I. further offered to pay the initial sub. to the A.C.P.T.S.A. of the pupils. A skeet committee was appointed, two traps purchased and in 1958 American 25 target skeet rules were adopted. This was the forerunner of the Association adopting these rules.

Aub. Johnston after long and successful years as honorary secretary was forced by ill health to retire. A number of secretaries and acting secretaries filled the position, some capably and others less than that and the club went through a difficult period. A special general meeting in 1960 confirmed the appointment of acting president Frank Johnson as president and John Lucas as secretary.

The finances of the club were in a bad state, however, the financial statements of the secretary showed where action was necessary. The newly formed Field and Game Association held a number of shoots at the club in 1960, first as guests and later at a fairly nominal charge; these shoots played a big part in both the social and financial affairs of the F & G in its formative years. 1962 was a year of great progress, Ron Siede was elected president and at once made a drive to restore the finances to a sound position and with the help of an alert committee this was accomplished. Skeet, which started at 10 a.m., as well as D.T.L. shooting was popular and Dudley Edgerton (D.T.L.) and Roy Fallshaw (Skeet) were appointed to manage their sections and application was made to the Nunawading City Council, which now controlled the property, for more land for a second skeet ground. Des O'Callaghan, a student of skeet handicapping, was appointed handicapper (all skeet prior to this was off scratch).

John Lucas proved invaluable in squadding the large attendances. The October 1963 annual meeting showed all back debts had been paid and the club now had a credit balance.

Contributing to this was a very active ladies committee in the forefront of whom were Zilla Siede and Olive Edgerton. 1965 saw Ron Siede retire after three active years and the club in very good shape. Des O'Callaghan was elected president but become ill and Dudley Edgerton acted in his stead until the 1966 annual meeting when he was elected president.

The Nunawading Council's activities adjoining the club were proceeding at an ever increasing rate and it was obvious that another site would be necessary.

As Doug Hemmingway of the F & G had broached the possibility of the club and F & G combining in the use of some Crown land at Lysterfield as a shooting ground, this was inspected and considered suitable.

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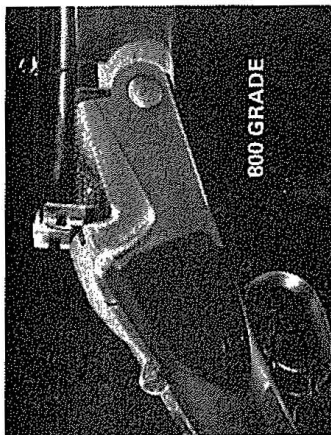
Gordon Morgan, left (President of the new Club) is handed a Perpetual Trophy, presented by Ron Sorati of Victorian Field & Game Association in recognition of the relationship with the "old" Australian Gun Club.

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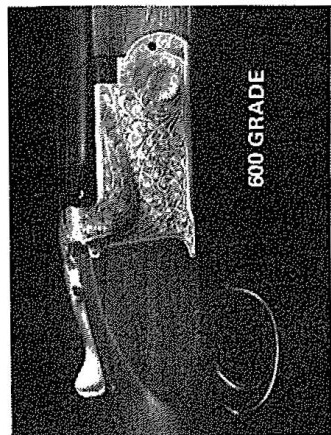
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# Clay Target Shooting - Vandalia Style

(By Warren Charlton,  
Hawkesbury Gun Club).

Here is a brief summary of my visit to Vandalia, U.S.A. and the Grand American 1977. I hope there are points of interest, in my summary, to anybody thinking of doing this trip in the future.

Possibly the most memorable part of my 6½ week trip, was the three days I spent with Betty-Ann and Roy Foxworthy and family at their Lake Home in Columbus Indiana. (Believe me, their home and surroundings is a paradise. The home is three storeys, which is situated on a private lake where we were able to swim and ski).

We drove direct from the Foxworthy's to Vandalia on the day before the shoot, which allowed me to clear up any problems with handicapping and grading before the crowd arrived.

The first procedure was to register with the A.T.A. which was done in an office equipped with computer T.V. screens (the Club had its own computer house on the grounds). At this point of time the computer is used to verify every shooters shooting average, handicap and grade. It is then checked with his handicap card before he nominates for the shoot. As a visitor I was graded "A", my handicap penalty was 25 yards and naturally as a visitor I had no average score.

The second step was to nominate for the events, this could be done on this day for the complete program of 17 events over nine days. The shooter has the privilege of nominating his position in the squad (I chose No. 4 shooter). I was able to nominate the squad I wanted to shoot in, obviously if that squad was filled I had to take the nearest squad available, if that suited me.

The program was shot at the rate of 100 squads per hour, which is 500 shooters, using 64 traps and 8 practice traps making 72 traps in all. I must confess that choosing my squads at this time confused me (as I am used to shooting where I am squaded). Mrs Priscilla Baldwin helped here by calculating the squads with the best trap backgrounds. When the program started about 9 a.m. I nominated about squad 100 which had me on the tracks approx. 10 a.m. When the program started around 8 a.m. I nominated around squad 200 which also got me on the tracks approx. 10 a.m.

The third step after receiving your squad receipts, was to have them stamped with your plastic A.T.A. membership card (which is similar to a Bankcard and is stamped, using the same sort of machinery).

The final step was to pay the money at the cashiers window.

Points of interest with the shooting, is that there are no referee's. The decision on targets is definite, if you fire the gun, then you have accepted the target, whether it be slow, fast or out of bounds, you abide by the result. Broken targets are no birds whether you shoot or not. No. 1 shooter in the squad is responsible for the squad and I did notice that there was a reluctance to fill this position — however, there was quite a number who wanted this position. No. 1 shooter asked if the shooters were ready, scorer ready and asked to see a target before he started. He also made the decisions on any problems during the shoot, for example, the final decision on a visible chip, if the scorer didn't see it and another shooter did. This system appeared to keep all shooters honest and eliminated the cost of referee's and delays which could occur while the referee's arrive on the track. The scorers were high school students and they called lost targets only. We shot five targets on each track and on the changeover No. 1 shooter waited until all shooters were on their marks before shooting again.

The biggest problem I had was closing my gun, I tried to maintain our method of safety by closing the gun only when it was my turn to shoot, this didn't work as I slowed the squad down. After a test I found that the American method more than halved the shooters time. I found the best method for me was to close my gun just after No. 1 shooter shot and then rest the gun on my hip, so as not to fatigue my arms.

The method of shooting was to shoot 25 targets on your first trap and then move along 8 traps and shoot the second 25 and so on until you have visited 4 traps and shot at 100 targets. This made it necessary to carry 100 cartridges in a carry bag which could be obtained at the respective cartridge company's sales offices. If a shooter was late and missed the first 25 targets, he was able to join in and shoot the next three traps and 75 targets and then he would return to the practice trap and shoot his first 25 targets to complete his score.

There is naturally a lot more I could say about this trip but I felt that these were the most important points.

If I was to visit this shoot again, I would like the same length of time (6½ weeks) and next time I would shoot their main shoots every weekend and during the week where possible. By doing this I would be more familiar with their procedures and targets. I would then shoot the Grand last thing before returning home.

For those interested, my performance was a win at Martinez Gun Club (California) 93/100 Doubles. At the Grand I shot three only 99's/100 and a carry over run of 199/200 16 yards, this naturally included one only 100. One of the 99's was shot at ball trap, the attendance was 2,600 and only two 100/100 was shot. So I guess that was as close as I could get.



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# TRADE TOPICS

A small shipment of Laporte equipment recently arrived in Australia. It included a small "fun trap" and a quality of Model 7505 hopper fed Ball Traps. Expected to sell to Clubs at around \$3600, the design and quality of the traps appear to be of a very high standard. The hopper has a capacity of 400 targets and is constructed from lightweight but strong alloy. The "think" box includes a control to allow for adjustment of the degree to which the trap alters height and angles. The model 7505 is also available ex France in Skeet form, and early reports suggest that the cost of a pair of these would be less than \$3500 (Australian dollars).

However, before Clubs get excited and inundate the National Office with enquiries, the delivery position out of France is very obscure. When more information is available it will be reported in CTSN.

More good news on the equipment scene is that a few Model 4100 Remington hopper fed DTL traps have arrived in Australia for evaluation by the Australian agents, Boustead Pty Ltd. No landed price has yet been established but this equipment also looks the part. No doubt, a performance report will appear in due course.

Speaking of Boustead, the Company has recently undergone some personnel changes and the following appointments will be of interest to readers.

General Manager is David Tietjen (who is one of the "straightest" people connected with the firearms industry, and is fully in favour of some sort of Hunting and Shooting Industry Development Program!) and his right hand man is Ross Levinsohn.

Queensland sales are in the capable hands of Frank Toro (who previously has worked for the A. N. Robinson group and more recently IMI Aust. Ltd.); New South Wales Supervisor is John Rose. Manager for Victoria is David Ross.

A shipment of Remington shotshells is awaiting loading in USA — it is help up because of a Longshoremen's strike, but it is of interest to note that due to currency changes, Boustead has scrapped its plan to source Remington shotshells from Japan.

The Company has donated a Competition Grade Remington 3200 Under and Over to be presented to the winner of the 1978 Grand Australian Handicap, which will be shot as part of the National Championships program in Adelaide.

After a "drought" of some months, Dupont powder is to reappear on the Australian market. A shipment arrived in the Eastern States just prior to Christmas and no doubt has brought a smile to the devoted users of this dense, light recoil powder. Mr Charles Game, General Manager of F. C. Lovelock, provided this information during a discussion recently and also showed excitement at the progress his Company is making in the shooting market. Lovelock is also the Australian agent for "Texan" reloading equipment, a name which is widely known amongst shotgunners, as well as for CCI primers and rimfire cartridges.

Lovelock's will donate a trophy, consisting of a Texan reloader and shotshell components, to be presented to the winner of the 1978 Australian-New Zealand Trap (Pointscore) Championship.

More good news for reloaders is that a large shipment of Hercules powder has been landed in Melbourne and will be distributed by SPF Pty. Ltd., P.O. Box 8, Manuka ACT 2603.

Types included in the shipment which will be of interest to shotshell reloaders include Red Dot, Green Dot and Unique.

The consignment also contained a wide range of pistol and revolver powders.

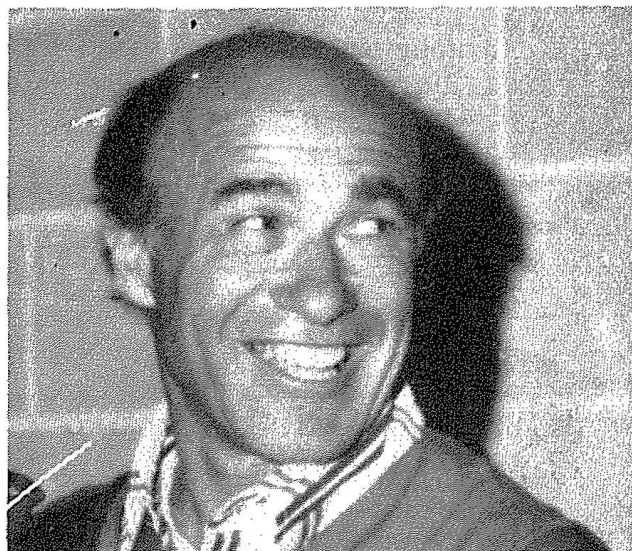
Whilst doing the Sydney rounds, we talked to Malcolm Fuller of Fuller Firearms. Malcolm spends a lot less of his time at work now than previously, and the business is very capably managed by Al Wilson.

The big news in the Fuller office was the arrival of the Miroku 3800 series.

The top of the line model is known as the G13 which has fine gold inlay and the time proven recoil at around \$2450. Also in the new range is a top grade side lock double barrel (MSL 120) with traditional English type arabesque scroll engravings, finest hand checking, both on stock and fore end. Probably the most interesting gun is the MT99, a high grade single barrel trap gun which re-

tails at \$499. It employs a specialised super high trap rib that raises the point of impact to facilitate a clear view of the target at all ranges.

Also confirmation has been received that Fuller's will again make available in 1978 a Miroku 800W to be presented to the first New Zealander to win the Australia-New Zealand Trap Championship at the National Championships.



Malcolm Fuller seems happy with business!

It is great to see Mick Smith Sports Store advertising in CTSN again after a break of some time. Mick Smith two years ago appointed well known firearms enthusiast Roger Darwon (he is also a noted magazine writer) as his General Manager. One of Roger's biggest tasks recently has been to produce a 1977-78 edition of the "MICK SMITH CATALOGUE", which is now available (see the advertisement on page 9). There are very few better reference books in Australia than the "Smith Catalogue" and it would make a very handy addition to any shooter's library.



Roger Darwon, the General Manager of Mick Smith Sports Store, Sydney.

## TRADE TOPICS Cont'd

### "Free" shooting through sponsorship of Blue Dot Targets

Tom Hoult, the very enthusiastic General Manager of Blue Dot Targets, has introduced an idea which undoubtedly will assist in the promotion of Clay Target Shooting. Beginning with New South Wales (in co-operation with NSW Gun Club) Blue Dot will operate what it is calling a "free Shoot". The Company will supply targets at no cost and will also cover all expenses incurred by the Club in operating the promotion. Anybody from anywhere will be welcome to attend and shoot at as many targets as he or she wishes. To foster a little competition and interest in the shooting, it is planned to run sweepstakes on events, with the host Club retaining 10% of the proceeds to cover administration costs associated with the handling of the sweeps, and 90% being returned to the shooters.

The purpose of the promotion is to rekindle interest amongst those shooters who no longer shoot regularly — either because of economic reasons or because they have forgotten what it is all about. Of course it also gives the "rank and file" shooter — the guy who supports the sport so strongly, but rarely wins a prize — a little something for nothing.

Similar programs are being planned for other major Clubs in other States, so "stay tuned" for further information.

It is interesting to note that Tom Hoult expects to give away twenty thousand Blue Dot targets during the exercise at New South Wales Gun Club.

## Michael Patrick Halpin Gunsmith : Shepparton

Mick Halpin was born in a tent on a Bendigo gold field in 1860. During his school days he attended The Bendigo School of Mines, and studied architectural drawing. After leaving school, he was apprenticed to a German gunsmith Mr Julius Rae, for five years.

One of Mr Rae's best customers was a Mr George Scott who posed as a Clergyman, when in fact he was Captain Moonlight the notorious bushranger; later, when Moonlight was charged with the offence of bushranging, Mick Halpin attended the Court in order to hear the proceedings, and was amazed at the plausible stories which Moonlight told the Court. Moonlight had tried earlier to persuade young Mick to give up working for Mr Rae and come bushranging with him, but Mick continued his work with Mr Rae, even when his boss moved to Echuca then the biggest inland port in Australia.

After serving his apprenticeship, he came to live in Mooroopna, and opened the first gun shop in High Street, Shepparton, three miles away, and in cycling daily to work he believed he fell off his pennyfarthing cycle at every yard of the road. In 1884 the Shepparton-Mooroopna four-lane highway of today was then just a rough bush track.

At this time a friendship developed between young Halpin and Dr J. V. Healy of Rushworth who often treated patients at Mooroopna Hospital.

Mick was invited to drive for the Doctor in the horse and carriage used on trips to the pioneer families, who needed medical help. Mick filled in his time shooting rabbits and crows, whilst the Doctor delivered babies or set broken bones.

Dr Healy was a gun and shooting enthusiast, and had a son who became one of Melbourne's best-known gunsmiths — Mr Vickers Healy.

Mr Halpin imported firearms from England and often had them made to special order by Greener, Hollis, Bonehill and Holloway.

I still remember having a double barrel shotgun which had a barrel rib with the wording "Made expressly for M. HALPIN SHEPPARTON by C. G. HOLLOWAY, BIRMINGHAM," he also stocked and repaired bicycles, purchasing his stock from Massey Harris also Canada Cycle Company who were the first to introduce Dodge motor cars to Australia.

Mick sold the old Pennyfarthing bicycles earlier and there is one bearing his name on the fork "M. HALPIN" it was sold to a local character of that time "Daddy Long" who ran a paper round on the cycle, and which is now in the Shepparton Museum with a picture of that famous 'paper boy'.

Mick moved his shop to further east in High Street where Gray's Arcade is now situated, and on a vacant block next door he ran a shooting gallery where he entertained a large number of workers employed in constructing the rail extension to Numurkah; this would have been about 1887.

Firstly he ran the Shepparton Championship, then the Victorian followed by Australian, and finally the World Championship for Gallery shooting. This would have been a .22 event, shooting down a long metal tunnel at a white washed steel plate; the bullseye a .22 sized hole with a bell fitted at the back; 1/2 and 1/4 bells could be registered, the range 22 yards and shooting with an elbow rest.

Members of the Shepparton Gun Club presented Mick with an inscribed silver tray on his retirement from the Honorary Secretaryship which office he had held since 1885, during which time he was an enthusiastic shooter and a sound adviser.

The late Mrs Pat Leahy of Congupna, nee Doreen Halpin, who gave the writer the details of this story, remembered how members of the family worked in the evenings making cartridges to sell to the shooters at a weekend shoot.

The late Mr Ern Guyatt of the Goulburn Valley Motors, a successful businessman in the motor trade in Shepparton, worked in his earliest days as a cycle mechanic for Mick. Mr Guyatt became one of the best known field and trap shots in the Goulburn Valley, and both Mick and Ernie enjoyed a fine reputation as businessmen and sportsmen in the Shepparton area.

Mr Halpin helped many shooters of the district with good advice, one of the more prominent being the late Jack Sutherland of Cosgrove.

When young Jack turned up at a live bird shoot at the Shepparton Gun Club for the first time, he shocked the crowd and the referee by using black powder shells; the referee was unable to see the result! Mick furnished young Jack with a box of smokeless cartridges, and the young sportsman left little doubt in the minds of those who saw him shoot, that here was a youth who would eventually become a world beater. He later joined the Kynock Co. in 1907. He became known on the Shooting fields of Australia and overseas as "Calrossie". He created a world record in 1928 in shooting 128 straight in one shoot, at the home of Trap Shooting Monte Carlo.

I bought my first .22 rifle from Mr Halpin in 1922, it was a single shot B.S.A. bolt action with a heavy barrel; and later a .22 trombone repeater also a B.S.A. Regrettably I do not have the rifles now, they both would bring me many memories of the wonderful shooting available in the 1920's.

The Halpin family still run the gun shop and sports store in Fryers Street, Shepparton, where Mick eventually built his own premises which bears the name in raised letters, high on the shop front, M. HALPIN 1884 — his son Bernie and grandson Gerald are at the helm of the business which Mick started some 93 years ago.

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A great line-up of trophies at the N.S.W. Skeet Carnival held at WAGGA GUN CLUB.

The Wagga Gun Club were hosts to shooters from all over N.S.W. and Victoria for the N.S.W. Skeet Carnival and the First N.S.W. U.I.T. Championship. 20,000 Clays were shot at over the weekend.

Bob Buchan, President of Melbourne Gun Club turned up with about 15 of his top skeet shooters to contest a Teams event with the N.S.W. Skeet shooters. This event came about by Bob boasting that he had three skeet teams from Melbourne Gun Club and that any one of them could lick a team from N.S.W. and judging by the way those Mexicans performed at Wangaratta the week before Bob had every right to be confident but he failed to check on those quietly confident N.S.W. boys who took all the Mexican ribbing and remarked that they would see what would happen when they got to Wagga.

Saturday the 22nd arrived and Ted Patterson, Adrian Hayes and Barney Rooke took on the job of Selectors for the N.S.W. Team. Bob Buchan presented his top team: Alex Crikis, John Summers, Ken Lowry, Ian Hale and Stan Daymond. The N.S.W. Team consisted of Ted Patterson, Adrian Hayes, Barney Rooke, Reg Clark and Eugene Kavanagh.

At the end of the first day 375 targets per team had been recorded and N.S.W. held a lead of three targets over Melbourne and with a further 375 targets per team to shoot on Sunday. The N.S.W. boys were really starting to rub it in and the team spirit was really high.

Sunday 23rd and the weather man was very kind to us all. Well at the end of the days shooting N.S.W. excelled themselves with some very fine shooting from all the team and dropping only eight targets for the day where as the Melbourne boys lost 11 targets. Final scores being N.S.W. 733/750, Melbourne Gun Club 727/750.

This of course had a quietening effect on Bob but not for long as he said to wait till we get you down to the Melbourne Gun Club.

Well Bob we are ready and waiting anytime. I sincerely hope that this sort of Teams event is not forgotten. The interest shown by all was to be seen on the scoreboard which was so expertly done by Clyde Hawkins.

I seem to have spent a lot of time on this event but those that were at the shoot will understand so now on with the shoot:—

Event 1. 25 target E.O. 11 shooters shot the possible.

Event 2. 50 target N.S.W. Team Elimination. Possibles were shot by four N.S.W. boys, Ted Patterson, Reg Clark, Eric Vincent and our National President Ern Hawkins. Vic boys to shoot the 50 were Ken Lowry, A. Summers, J. Summers, Bill Isles. Three places were required from a long list of 47 to make the 15-man N.S.W. Team.

Event 3 got under way, the N.S.W. U.I.T. Championship, whilst the Skeet was in progress. Leading scores after the first 50 targets were Ken Lowry 49/50, Jim Ellis 49/50 Bill Isles 47/50 and Doug Lucas 47/50. This event was continued on Sunday, Ken Lowry dropping to a 19 and Jim Ellis a 23 but Bill Isles shot a very good 25 so we had Jim Ellis and Bill Isles both with 72/75. The final round for overall was Jim Ellis 95/100 and Bill Isles 94/100 took A Grade. G. Boyd of Wangaratta took B Grade 84/100 and C Grade went to B. Bockman also of Wangaratta with 80/100.

The N.S.W. Skeet Team shot Sunday morning with some very good scores but I don't think it will be good enough to beat Qld from what we have heard. Jim Ellis excelled in taking out the Teams High Gun after an extended shoot-off which was carried into the next event. He received a silver tray and High Gun Badge presented by Winchester.

Event 4. The N.S.W. Skeet Championship. Only one possible and this was by Bill Isles. There were seven 49's to shoot off for 2nd and 3rd places. A long battle saw Barney Rooke getting the better of Reg Clark on the 93rd target for 2nd and Reg 3rd. By the way Reg Clark ran a break of 168 targets and Barney Rooke 159 straight.

Event 7. The sponsored 50 target George's Discount Championship was cut back to a 25 target event as time was running out. 12 possibles were recorded. This extended into a long shoot-off and after 3 rounds five shooters remained, Eric Vincent, Jim Ellis, Barney Rooke, Bill Isles and Warren Charlton. Station one was fast becoming a problem with the High house target going into the sun, but all shooters cleared this station. Station 3 was the downfall of Barney Rooke finishing his break 158/159. Station 5 and all but Eric Vincent missed. This gave Eric the portable T.V. Bill Isles and Warren Charlton then had to continue to decide 2nd and 3rd. Warrens luck was with him this time as he was twice let back in by Bill Isles. The placings are: 1st Eric Vincent, 2nd Warren Charlton, 3rd Bill Isles., 0-2 Barney Rooke, 3-5 V. Phillips (Coffs Harbour), 6-10 G. Guy (Melb.).

Other Team events contested over the weekend and shot in conjunction with the main events were the 1st new Winchester 500 Skeet Shield. This shield has been donated by Winchester Aust. for Skeet Competition between clubs in the Riverina and Southern Zones of N.S.W. It is to be shot over 500 targets per team and carries a cash prize of \$500 donated by Winchester to any team shooting the possible 500/500. On this occasion five teams contested the shield and was won by the Hawkesbury Gun Club by seven targets over Wagga. The Hawks had better watch out as the Wagga boys are going into some serious training before we go to Hawkesbury to bring the shield back to Wagga.

Yet another match which was instigated last year between the Hawkesbury and Wagga Clubs is the Olympia Shield and again those Hawkesbury boys were too good for us and if ever Geoff Salmon masters High 2 we will have a tough time winning this shield.

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Bill Isles receiving the Remington Plaque for Overall High Gun from John Rose, Sales Manager Boustead, Sydney.

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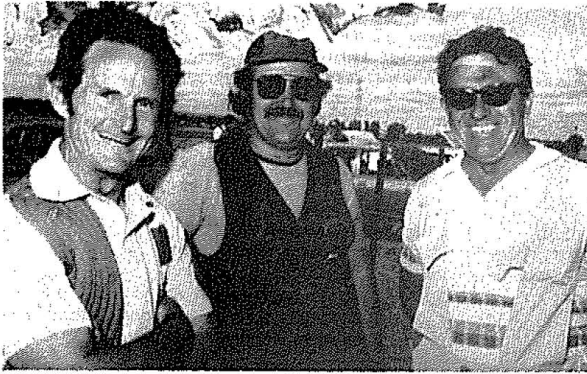
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## N.S.W. SKEET CARNIVAL AT WAGGA



The happy Eley boys - (l to r) Warren Charlton, Ian Hale and Dick Snow.

There was one other teams match that I should report otherwise Bob Buchan could get just a little upset. This was a teams match between the State of Vic and N.S.W. and if I don't report the outcome I am sure that Bob Buchan will take a full page advt. in the C.T. magazine to let you know that the Vic. team won by just five targets. N.S.W. 363/375 and Vic. 368/375.

The Skeet High Gun, a beautiful model 1100 12-G Bicenten. Remington Skeet Gun which was won by Alex Crikis after a three-way shoot-off with Reg Clark and Bill Iles. All three shooters completed the first 25 clean, in the second round Reg Clark was the first to go when he missed High 5, not too many targets later Bill missed High 7 leaving only Alex. Alex remarked later that this was the 3rd shoot-off he was in this weekend and this was the only one he was victorious in. Alex score was 214/216.

In concluding this report I would like to thank all those that attended and especially those Mexicans from below the border. They made a very good Skeet carnival so much better and their help in refereeing was greatly appreciated. I would now on behalf of the N.S.W. Skeet shooters like to issue the challenge to those Melbourne Gun Club boys to join us at the N.S.W. Skeet Carnival at Hawksbury Gun Club the first weekend in December 1978 for another Teams match. Also we in N.S.W. would like to join you at Melbourne Gun Club for the Vic. Carnival for a Teams match and I am sure that Bob if you ask a bloke named Ken? that a suitable trophy would be in the offering.

To Clyde Hawkins our thanks for the excellent way in which the scores were recorded.

Lastly the most important are our sponsors — to Winchester for their generous support to the Teams event and Teams High Gun, also to Michael Rooke, Barney Rooke and Bob Wilson for the donation of trophies for the other teams events. To George's Discounts of Wagga for the sponsorship of event 7 and then to Boustead Pty. Ltd. and Remington for the donation of the Bicentennial Skeet Gun and the Remington Plaque for Overall High Gun.

There is no doubt that we need these firms as much as they need us and it is great to see the Remington Agents taking a more active part in the A.C.T.A. events.

So to all that participated most sincere thanks from the members of the Wagga Gun Club and to Joe Schipp the local State Liberal Member in helping with the trophy presentation.

The Overall High Gun was taken out by Bill Iles of Melbourne 267/275. Excellent shooting when you consider 100 of these targets were I.S.U.

### BARNEY ROOKE.



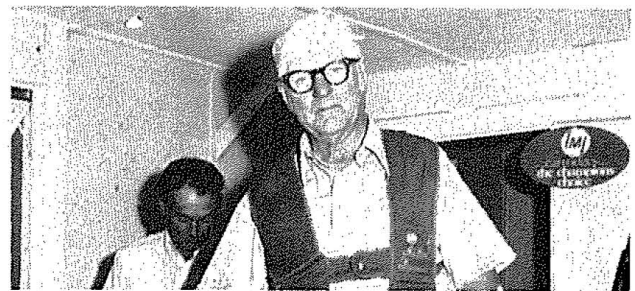
Bob Buchan was actually stumped for words when asked to present Michael Rooke's trophy to the winning N.S.W. team over the Melbourne Gun Club. l. to r. Reg Clark, Ted Patterson, Michael Rooke, Barney Rooke, Bob Buchan, Adrian Hayes, Eugene Kavanagh.



Some of the happy competitors N.S.W. Skeet Carnival, Wagga Gun Club. l to r. Barney Rooke, Ernie Hawkins, Bob Wilson, Ken Lowry.



John Rose, Sales Manager, Boustead Pty. Ltd., presenting Alex Crikis with the Bicentennial Remington Skeet Gun.



Arthur Freeman, 79 years, receiving his 50 Break Badge. N.S.W. Skeet Carnival, Wagga.



Jim Ellis being presented with Sash and Trophy by Joe Schipp, State Liberal Member for Wagga, for his win in the First U.I.T. N.S.W. Championship.

# A Shooter's View on Firearms Legislation

from Geoff Rabbidge

"The Menace of The Gun" has been a major topic for daily news media, emotionalism in recent months all demanding Government action to restrict ownership by the decent law abiding citizen of their sporting firearms. It is already illegal for the criminal to have firearms in his possession and penalties for criminal mis-use of firearms are severe, providing maximum penalties are invoked.

Why this attack on a recreation that has one of the largest followings in this country? Basically it is lack of knowledge of journalists of the subject or in the case of Police Associations, Bank Officers, Security Companies, etc., a cover up for their inability to carry out the job they are paid to do.

Should these people and those responsible for advising Governments take the time to do a little home-work on what the effect of the suggestions they expound would have on criminal mis-use of firearms, they would find there is no case for the cause of inconvenience to the recreational shooter, firearm collector and student.

There is right now a most ridiculous situation in this country where we have the Western Australian Government reviewing their State's laws with a view to doing away with the country's strictest controls which have been enforced for over fifty years (W.A. has a rate of criminal mis-use with firearms above most other States). At the same time other States are reviewing their laws with a view to stricter controls.

England is possibly the best country to use as a sample of the effect of firearm controls with uniform laws throughout and being an island, no borders allow easy smuggling of illegal firearms, yet the very strict controls over ownership have achieved nothing in reducing criminal mis-use, in fact the armed crime rate is growing.

The Sporting Shooters' Association and The Field and Game Association have put before the Governments in all States contemplating change, detailed submissions — these are lengthy, so only the main point are highlighted in this article.

Both Associations believe the laws as introduced into New South Wales under The Firearms and Dangerous Weapons Act 1973 are more than adequate to deal with the criminal mis-use problem.

Parliament comment at the time of introduction confirms this: "The Firearms and Dangerous Weapons Act, 1973 is such a measure, and indeed it can be truly said that it is an "all parties" Bill, having been the result

of representations from all bodies concerned, with strong support from Honourable Members of both sides of the House. The Minister at the time (Mr Griffith) particularly emphasises this feature: "... I conclude my remarks by saying that if ever a bill was of a nature that could be described as a non-party measure, this is such a bill. It deals with an important subject of vital concern to the citizens of this State. In that spirit I commend it" (refer Hansard No. 53 of April 3, 1973, page 4293, para. 2).

Mr Degen, in leading for the Opposition on the bill, offers Labor's full support, and to quote from para. 4 of the same page in Hansard: "... I congratulate the Minister upon introducing this sensible legislation, which has the effect of forcing irresponsible elements within the shooting community out of the sport, which must give it a better name. Shooting is a sport that jealously enjoys a good name in the community ... The Opposition agrees wholeheartedly with the measure ...". On page 4299, para. 7, Mr Degen elaborates further, and points to the undesirability of extending to police too much power under the Bill: "The Opposition welcomes the introduction of legislation to control the sale and use of firearms and to give the police certain powers, although in some cases the Minister has given more power than the police want. We will move nine amendments to the bill."

The Honourable Member for Granville, Mr Flaherty, an experienced shooter of long standing, likewise afforded assistance during passage of the bill, and is recorded on page 4301, para. 3: "I agree with the remarks of the honourable member for Balmain who led for the Opposition on this important legislation to bring in a completely new Act to be known as the Firearms and Dangerous Weapons Act, etc. ... Over the years I have often been annoyed at the attacks made on the shooting fraternity by the various forms of news media. Often I have felt that their views were way off the beam. While I admit that there is an element within our society that should not be allowed to use firearms, I believe that the rights of the legitimate shooter should be preserved at all times. Under the provisions of the bill these rights will be preserved."

The New South Wales Premier Mr Wran at the time of the last State election sent the following telegram to S.S.A.A. who had asked him to confirm that he would not alter the New South Wales laws.

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In essence the Act could generally be said to have three basic aims, which admittedly are contained in six divisions spread over 85 sections:

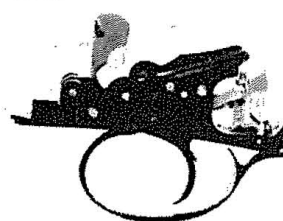
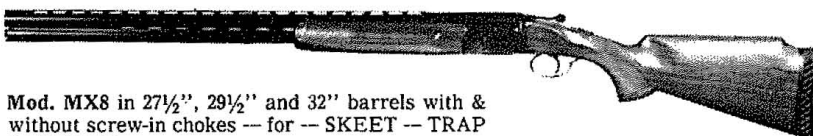
(1) To introduce a form of reasonable and acceptable control over the carriage and use of firearms, with the aim being to reduce their casual and vandal misuse — Section 22. (Refer Mr Hewitt, page 4539, para. 2 midway — see Attachment 8.)

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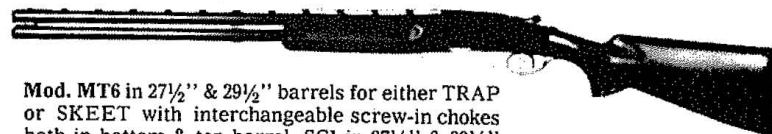
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(2) To introduce new criminal and penal provisions where firearms are possessed, carried or used in connection with crime -- Sections 47, 49 and 58.

(3) To repeal certain sections of the existing Act that had long since become outmoded and were serving the community no real benefit.

In relations to (1) above, Section 22 appears to be working fairly well in that since the Act was gazetted, so far approximately 200,000 Shooters' Licences have currently been issued, and shooters generally appear to be complying with their obligations. Where they do not, police are now in a position to prefer charges if warranted, whereas before it was not quite so easy, particularly as shooters were not required to be licensed in the past.

It is significant to note that none of the recent press comment has even remotely touched on the positive achievements in this area, and in this exercise the press are in fact failing to identify the salient features of this complex question. Much emotive emphasis is apparently being placed on the purchase of firearms, which in reality tends to bear little direct correlation to their misuse in acts of crime. At the dealer interface, a precise record of any firearms' movement is recorded in the dealer's register book, and likewise duplicated in the courier's records upon delivery should the firearm be delivered by courier. If the courier be Royal Mail, then the Act stipulates that it must be by registered mail, in which case a record is once again kept of that firearm's movements.

We therefore see no need for any change in this area, particularly in relation to any increase in documentation of firearms as this would in fact be a form of registering firearms, and would by way of natural progression lead to full registration in due course with associated police discretion, to which we remain totally opposed for a number of well founded reasons which are now elaborated.

It should be emphasised that the registration of firearms as such was never intended to be part of the new legislation and the Government had this to say at the time: "... Suggestions that have been made in various quarters for the complete licensing or registration of all firearms have been carefully considered, but the Government is convinced that the magnitude of the task precludes its implementation ... criminals." (Mr Griffith, page 4287, para. 3 midway).

There is ample research material on hand to support this viewpoint, and one particular work has been presented in the form of a text book by British Police Superintendent, Colin Greenwood, who recently conducted such research as a Cropwood short term fellow at Cambridge University in the faculty of Criminology. The study is deep and thorough and commences with the laws governing the possession of arms by citizens from the reign of Henry II in 1181, through the reign of Henry VIII in 1541, the Bill of Rights of William and Mary of Orange in 1688, the industrial disturbances of 1811 and 1812, the Seizure of Arms Act 1820, the studies of arms sales and the conclusions derived at the time from a report to Parliament 15th May 1839 and the Gun Licences Act 1870 which basically remained in force until 1967. At this stage it is interesting to note that the Police reports of injuries by shooting for 1902 when Britain's population was 29,000,000 and the total police forces numbered approximately 44,000 do not indicate a condition of serious waves of armed crime, and indeed if the figures contained in these police reports could be claimed for today the results would be thought to be most satisfactory. A measure of firearms ownership for this period is certainly not insignificant, as we note that in the year 1902, 27,000 pistols of British make alone were submitted for proof to the Birmingham Proof House.

A study of the history and development of firearms legislation through the years both in Australia and overseas has exhibited a pattern which is often repeated without variation (as Greenwood confirms), namely that there has been a notable absence of reliable research, and in almost every case such statistics as have been presented have been vague and unreliable and have lacked points of comparison. Legislation has frequently been related to relatively isolated incidents and has often reached beyond the scope of the incident to affect many people by way of unnecessarily restrictive legislation. In no way connected with that type of event. In almost every case the sponsors of Bills have strenuously asserted limited aims for the specific legislation, yet as soon as those Bills have become law they have been criticised for failing to achieve far wider aims which were not even set for them.

We might ask what the past 50 or so years of exceedingly strict controls of pistols in N.S.W. has done to prevent the use of pistols in armed crime, and the answer is of course the creation of pools of unlicensed pistols for criminal purposes, and N.S.W. police statistics would clearly show that the majority of pistols so used are not licensed to the offenders. Chapter 15 of Greenwood "indicates that 50 years of strict controls on pistols have left a vast pool of illegal weapons, and although large numbers are surrendered in successive amnesties to police each year it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that this is only the tip of an iceberg," and of course one may well wonder how many remain in circulation and to what detriment to the community.

Supt. Greenwood in fact concludes that registration of firearms serves little purpose in relation to the administrative costs involved and that: "... Careful examination of all the evidence available, suggests, therefore that (existing) legislation has failed to bring under control substantial numbers of firearms, and it certainly cannot be claimed that strict controls have reduced the use of firearms in crime. Indeed it is possible to build up a sound case for abolishing or substantially reducing controls ... The evidence indicates that a much simplified system of licensing the individual would produce no less effect than the system now imposed. In the light of these facts, it should surely be for the proponents of the system of registration to establish its value. If they fail to do so, the system should be abandoned.

Within the framework of the present control, the proposition that further restrictions on the holders of firearm or shotgun certificates will help solve the

problem of armed crime, just cannot be supported. It is evident that firearms, at present, in the hands of legitimate users who hold certificates present virtually no problem to the community ... (See Greenwood: conclusions and suggestions, page 247, paragraph 1 -- reference 1 enclosed).

Clearly then on the basis of this work, it would seem difficult for any administrative arm of Government to put forward a substantial brief for further restrictions on firearms. Disproportionate attention is often applied, by these people, to the arms themselves, but when this approach is examined closely by the enlightened mind, it is always found to be begging credibility and not really relevant to the specialised area of firearms jurisprudence at all.

This matter has recently been taken up with the Australian Minister for Police and Customs with a view to deleting items 2 and 30 of the Second Schedule of the Customs (Prohibited Imports) Regulations relating to military firearms on the basis that these are outmoded and unnecessary prohibitions. After full consideration of the question the Minister's response to this request has been most favourable and he has indicated that a complete review of his controls will be conducted in view of the more up-to-date legislation that has been enacted in recent times by the States. He has dispensed with the system of import registration of firearms and you may note particularly para. 2 of his letter to the Association of 3rd November, 1975 -- see Attachment 11.

Both Western Australia and Victoria have experienced strict forms of firearms legislation, Western Australia since 1931 to the present day and Victoria between 1952 and 1972, involving police discretion over purchase, possession and type. If this form of legislation has offered the citizens of these two States better protection against crime with firearms, then it is certainly not apparent in the demographic reports depicting the figures compiled for homicides with firearms. If we select at random any three years within that 1952-1972 range, say 1953, 1955, 1961, we have the following:--

	N.S.W.	VICTORIA	WESTERN AUSTRALIA
<b>1953</b>			
Population	3,409,009	2,416,035	631,743
Homicides with firearms	15	10	2
Homicides per capita	1 in 227,000	1 in 241,603	1 in 315,000
<b>1955</b>			
Population	3,525,923	2,555,021	670,750
Homicides with firearms	12	11	3
Homicides per capita	1 in 394,000	1 in 232,000	1 in 224,000
<b>1961</b>			
Population	3,949,670	2,954,826	744,845
Homicides with firearms	16	17	4
Homicides per capita	1 in 247,000	1 in 174,000	1 in 186,000

New South Wales has had no controls over the lawful purchase and possession of firearms over the same period. However, it can be observed that both Western Australia and Victoria are as well represented, per capita, as New South Wales in homicides with firearms. Clearly then for these periods the registration of firearms does not appear to have had any significant reducing effect on the homicides for Western Australia and Victoria.

As indicated beforehand the results of Greenwood's work highlight the limitations and failings of the Firearms Registration system as a crime-reducing instrument. Responsible shooting organisations feel that the public are entitled to the best mode of protection available by way of sound, relevant and efficient legislation. To this end, we support the Shooters' Licence Scheme as opposed to strict controls over firearms themselves. This system encourages responsible behaviour with firearms in the field, minimal consumption of police manpower and works well when backed up by strong penal provisions for criminal misapplication of firearms.

In the State of Victoria in 1952 when the Firearms Act was first introduced, it was modelled along the British system whereby Firearm Certificates were required to purchase and possess centre-fire rifles, and this embodied complete registration of the arm with close police supervision and discretion on issue.

As time went by questions were being asked as to the effectiveness of this Act when compared with police effort involved, and particularly when it appeared that it was not producing the crime reduction effect as its proponents originally claimed that it would (C. F. Greenwood's finding in Britain). The Government directed the Statute Law Revision Committee (see Attachment 12) in Victoria to study this question and present recommendations to Parliament, and this was done in due course through the Minister. The conclusions were interesting and quite significant in that they recommended that shotguns not be registered and that a shooters' licence system be introduced, as the best form of controls were those that were directed more closely towards the individual.

Nothing much however transpired, and it was not until 1966 when the same committee was again requested to look into the question (see Attachment 13) and again came up with the same answer with the addition that the current system of registration of centre-fire rifles be dropped. Other groups (such as the S.S.A.A.) were now becoming interested in the matter since the Act was being more rigidly enforced by the Police because results were not forthcoming, and indeed some members of the Association were even experiencing difficulties in obtaining Firearm Certificates.

The Victorian Government now decided to act and after an extensive re-drafting period the rigidly enforced registration system was dispensed with in entirety and the Shooters' Licence System introduced there in 1972.

Any suggestion from our law enforcement agency (or any other source) that further restrictions should be enacted against the arms themselves would fail to attract support from the shooting fraternity generally and country people in particular. The Shooters' Licence is intended to (and in fact does) exercise a

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real measure of control over the carriage and use of firearms, and the provisions of Sections 40 (3) and 48 (2) of the Act, catering specifically for the requirements of primary producers — including their dependents and workers, students of firearms, historians and collectors, etc., are considered to be essential and should not be changed.

The manner in which a Shooters' Licence is issued has been evolved as the most practical model available, having been established as a result of detailed discussions and negotiations in committee with the Minister for Services and his Departmental offices, the N.S.W. Police Firearms Committee, the Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia and other kindred firearms user organisations. All other aspects of the Firearms and Dangerous Weapons Act, 1973 have been similarly explored and analysed, with the result that a satisfactory level of agreement and concurrence has been attained as to how the Act should be implemented.

Specifically in the area of the issue of Shooters' Licences, complete agreement was achieved and Superintendent V. Taylor, Chairman of the Police Firearms Committee, gave the Department's clear cut assurance that Shooters' Licences would be issued 'on the spot' subject to the obligations and qualifications of the Applicant under the Act. This is confirmed in Mr Lendrum's letter to the Association of 18th February, 1975, and subsequently transmitted to Police as an instruction in Permanent Circular No. 184 of the 25th July, 1975, page 11, clauses 39, 40 and 41.

Evidence has been offered earlier in this submission that the Shooters' Licence is working as envisaged and logically therefore firearms owners and the shooting movement in general would never support any changes to the method of application and issue of Shooters' Licences.

The Minister at the time fully agreed that the Shooters' Licence should be issued without delay and in response to Mr Degan he clearly laid any doubts to rest as to how the Shooters' Licence should be issued:

"The honourable member for Balmain stressed one point that seems to worry the Opposition more than anything else — and I know it worried a lot of other people. I repeat, clearly and emphatically, that it is the Government's intention that the obtaining of a shooter's licence will be a simple task. It is not intended that any impediment will be placed in the way of a normal law-abiding person who wishes to obtain a licence. The honourable member for Balmain said something to the effect that it would require an additional 500 police to issue these licences, but that remark is way off the beam. It is intended that a person who wishes to be issued with a licence can go along to a police station, submit an application for a shooter's licence and, provided there is no reason why it should not be issued, get one on the spot. I do not see any difficulty in this respect. In fact, I am assured by the police — particularly the senior police officer in

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charge of this measure — that the issuing of a licence will be done simply and without delay. I emphasise again that it is intended — although the amount has not yet been decided — that the licence fee will be a nominal one."

The alternate to the New South Wales Act is a situation as exemplified by a typical letter used in Western Australia which when reading the last paragraph makes one think, Hitler could not do better. Names have been left blank to avoid reprisal.

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Should you contemplate appealing it is requested that before doing so you contact the undersigned, and discuss the restrictions imposed.

Yours faithfully,

SUPERINTENDENT

In considering any control over the ownership and use of Firearms, we must carefully appraise the effect such controls would have on their legitimate use.

The value of shooting is completely overlooked — a point strongly taken up in The Field and Game Association submission.

In a recent survey conducted by Field and Game members over a larger cross section of the community than most published polls, it was found that approximately 247,000 people left the metropolitan area of Sydney at an average of 3.4 times to go hunting, their trips were over 600 kilometres.

The survey showed an average of three people per vehicle, making 82,333 trips, giving vehicle distance travelled of approximately 167,960,000 kilometres, which is over 20 million litres of petrol, excise on this alone is a valuable contribution to the nation's economy. When sales tax, import duties, company and personal taxes, derived from shooters' equipment purchases; sales of food, refreshments, accommodation, so needed by country towns, the export returns from higher yields of rice, wheat, wool and other produce, due to pest irradiation by the shooter and the contribution to the national food larder of harvestable wild game, then adding the figures for other New South Wales cities and towns, and the tourist participation from other States, it can be seen shooting is by far, the most valuable recreational activity this State has.

Regrettably, there does not appear to be any official survey regarding the value of recreational shooting in this State. Victoria has for many years realised the benefits and has several detailed studies on record. We submit a graph from a Joint study by C.S.I.R.O. Division of Wildlife and the Victorian Ministry of Conservation Fisheries and Wildlife Division concerning the 1972 open season on water-fowl in South Eastern Australia, which we believe substantiates the survey of distance travelled conducted by New South Wales Field and Game Association and also reflects the number of visitors to this State. The survey was a sampling of 1,000 shooters, who mainly travelled from Melbourne. In that year over 60,000 Victorian shooters visited New South Wales for the duck season.

A copy of an arrangement between The Field and Game Association and The Rice Growers' Association for control of wild ducks. This arrangement has lifted rice yields considerably and more importantly eliminated the use of dangerous poisons, which, whilst controlling ducks, were killing many thousands of other species of water-birds. Species that in themselves were of the utmost value in the control of destructive insects, such as the grasshopper, which must be added to the chain of cost saving, as this cuts down the need for insecticide spraying and lowers the ecological damage insecticides cause.

We will not enlarge on the shooters' part in feral pig, goat, wild dog and other animal pests; our submission to your Government at the time of the "1080" poison inquiry covers this in detail.

The recreational benefits of hunting in relation to physical fitness must also be considered. The advantages of this, we believe, does not need expanding.

The psychological benefits upon father-son relationships and with young people in learning self reliance necessary in becoming a skilled hunter, is a subject worthy of much more attention.

The tourist value of shooting we believe, has great advantages to this State, particularly in regards to duck hunters. To improve the ease with which interstate shooters can visit New South Wales, we urge you to arrange for the Minister of Services to meet with his counterparts in other States, to initiate a scheme of reciprocal use of Shooters' Licences in all States.

The current system of re-licensing, an already licenced shooter only adds additional costs to the administration and cannot be shown to be of any benefit to the control of criminal mis-use of firearms.

The Field and Game Association considers The New South Wales Firearms and Dangerous Weapons Act 1973, gives all the teeth necessary for Firearms control. The current method of shooter licencing and issue of these licences is adequate, providing the Act is properly policed and that when convictions are made, penalties are invoked, that will deter others from committing the same crime.

We do not believe that you and your Government would in any way be influenced by the recent prolonged emotionalism of one section of the media.

We would like to place on record our fears of the dangers of such mis-guided journalism. Dangers that we consider cannot be better expressed than by quoting Chief Inspector Colin Greenwood's closing paragraph of his book, "Firearms Control":

"To continue with the process of attempting to deal with the criminal use of firearms by placing more restrictions on legitimate users is not likely to achieve anything. But the great danger lies, not in the ineffectiveness of such restrictions, but in the belief that they will solve the problem. Whilst this mistaken belief persists the real problem will not receive the attention and action which is clearly and urgently required."

(Geoff Rabbidge,

Legislation Officer, NSW F&G Assn.

## Henry Davis' ABC's FOR SPORTSMEN

In one of the last pieces he wrote for the Remington Newsletter before retiring as Remington's public relations manager in July 1959, the late Henry P. Davis compiled a list of what he called ABC's for Sportsmen.

"There is much more to sportsmanship than the mere practice of to-the-letter obedience to the game laws," Davis said. "A man may never violate a game law or break a club rule and still not be a real sportsman, for he may be refraining from doing these things because he has to, not because he wants to. Real sportsmanship cannot be defined or bounded by rules.

"There are certain maxims, however," continued Davis, "that are worthy of constant remembrance, lest we carelessly or thoughtlessly stray from proper field behavior. They are not rules, just reminders. As they run the gamut of the alphabet, I call them ABC's for Sportsmen. They could just as well be called XYZ's, too. I think they're worth looking over."

We think Henry Davis' ABC's for Sportsmen are still worth looking over eighteen years later; so we are repeating them here not only for a new generation of sportsmen, but as timeless reminders for us all.

Always practice safe gun handling.

Be considerate of the landowner. You are his guest.

Conduct yourself as a SPORTSMAN should.

Don't be a game hog.

Educate youth in the principles of sportsmanship.

Favor the fellow who is hunting with you.

Give wildlife a break. Work for its conservation.

Have the location of your hunting partner always in mind.

Influence others to hunt safely.

Join a sportsman's organisation.

Keep that gun muzzle elevated.

Leave some game for seed stock.

Make sure of your target before you shoot.

Never leave a cripple to go to waste.

Obeys the game laws to the letter.

Put yourself in the other fellow's place. Treat him accordingly.

Quit harping about game shortages and do something about it.

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In 1948 the Condah Gun Club was formed and on the 19-10-49 he was elected President but after a few years it was changed to the Myamyn Gun Club and Les Rundell remains President to this day.

In the mid 1950's a shooting pavilion was erected and named in his honor.

In 1950 the Western District Gun Club's Association was formed and in 1956 he was elected Senior Vice President then on 16-7-65 he was elected President, a position he held until 15-7-74 when he resigned, making way for a younger man but he still has the Association at heart and has not missed a meeting in those 27 years.

In 1967 the Association presented him with an armchair to mark his 50 years of shooting and his service to the Association.

Over the years he has had many wins including 27 gold medals, 23 at live birds and 4 at Clays, and at 77 he is still shooting each Saturday and looking forward to the Christmas Shoots.

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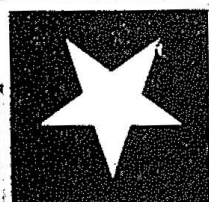
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# INTERNATIONAL SHOOTING SCENE

There is a tremendous interest being generated in qualifying for places in 1978 representative teams. Of particular interest are the teams to be selected for the Commonwealth Games at Edmonton, Canada, and the World Championships at Seoul, Korea. The team for the Commonwealth Games will consist of two trench and two skeet positions, whilst the team for the World Championships will consist of four for each discipline.

A number of Clubs have provided details of dates for qualifying 200 target events, and a summary of these appears below. It is most interesting to see the extent to which potential team members are developing their experience, and more travel than ever before is being undertaken to allow shooters to test themselves on "foreign grounds". A.C.T. International attracted an attendance of almost forty shooters to their recent match and Brisbane shooters are showing great enthusiasm. Townsville Gun Club will conduct a qualifying round on 29th and 30th December and it is anticipated that some worthwhile scores will be recorded there.

I.S.U. Skeet is a little slower in its development than Trench, possibly because of the level of difficulty — nevertheless, numbers of "converts" are increasing steadily and there is no doubt that we will have a worthwhile representation at the 1978 International competitions.

Incidentally, part of the fund-raising activities connected with the 1978 Commonwealth Games involves the sale of Tee shirts produced by Unique Creations of P.O. Box 117, Lakemba, 2195. Any enquiries should be directed either to the Company direct or to the A.C.T.A. National Office. The price structure makes provision for a margin for Clubs — help your Club and the team for the Commonwealth Games at the same time.

## 1978 TEAM QUALIFYING ROUNDS TRAP & I.S.U. SKEET

### TRAP

1977 — December 30th & 31st — Townsville Gun Club, Q'ld.  
1978 — January 21st & 22nd — International Gun Club, s.a.  
January 21st & 22nd — Melbourne Gun Club, Vic.  
January 28th, 29th & 30th — Taree-Wingham Gun Club, NSW  
January 28th & 29th — Townsville Gun Club, Q'ld.  
February 11th & 12th — International Gun Club — S.A.  
February 18th & 19th — Melbourne Gun Club, Vic.  
February 18th & 19th — Melbourne Gun Club, Vic.  
March 4th & 5th — ACT International Gun Club, ACT  
March 24th to 27th — Final match at Melbourne Gun Club.

### SKEET

1978 — January 14th & 15th — S.A. Gun Club, S.A.  
January 21st and 22nd — Melbourne Gun Club, Vic.  
January 28th & 29th — Melbourne Gun Club, Vic.  
February 4th & 5th — S.A. Gun Club, S.A.  
February 18th & 19th — Melbourne Gun Club, Vic.  
February 24th & 25th — Wagga Gun Club, NSW  
March 24th to 27th — Final match at Melb. Gun Club.

Plans are proceeding with the organisation of the South Pacific Regional Championships to be held at Melbourne Gun Club over Easter 1978. The First Pacific International Open Shooting Championships will be held in conjunction, with invitations being extended to nineteen countries. More information will be published when it becomes available.

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## GADABOUT GHOSTIE

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and the shoots both ran the way they should,  
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and no way could you call the referee's poor.  
I'll tell you about Hamilton first  
'cos that is where I shot my worst,  
those Continental targets have me beat  
and every time my fate I do meet,  
But seven other shot twenty-eight  
and while the shoot-off was on we did wait,  
To see who would win and who would lose  
between them all it was hard to choose,  
but it was Neil Berry who shot the best  
and Peter Telford who put him to the test.

I went to Jeparit on Sunday  
'cos it wasn't very far away,  
there they had a Winchester shoot  
and the trophies they were really beaut,  
the Winchester boys were on the job  
ably represented by Brian and Bob,  
In the main event there was a long shoot-off  
and its to Peter Telford our hats we doff,  
to win today he shot really well  
and he's one of the best, so I've heard tell.

Well that's where I went to this weekend  
as my way round the clubs I do wend,  
and who knows next week where I may go  
but I'll be sure to take my gun and biro.

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# Constitutional Reform —

## The Victorian Clay Target Association View

(from Bob Buchan, State President)

On behalf of the Victorian State Association we wish to reply to the article on the constitution which appeared on Page 6 Sub-Item 2 and 3 in the November issue of C.T.S.N.

As the Victorian State Association, who represent 76 clubs and 2,856 A.C.T.A. shooters, are aware our sport and activities of the A.C.T.A. deserve much more promotion in our community. We also believe the Constitution must be updated to allow for State Association would enable the rank and file shooting members to become more involved in their chosen sport.

In opposing Sub-Item 2 and 3, we are aware that suggestions must be made, they are as follows:

Firstly:— Sub-Item 2 "That the right to vote at General Meetings of the A.C.T.A. be restricted to nine delegates as nominated by each State Association."

Where is there equity in that proposal when one looks at the number of clubs in each State, such as Victoria 76, New South Wales 80, Queensland 51, South Australia 29, Western Australia 24, and Tasmania 14?

If we are to have a change in the number of delegates to the Annual General Meeting we propose an amendment that one delegate per four clubs in each state attend. Example — two delegates from states which have 8 clubs, three delegates for states which have 12 clubs and so on.

The Victorian Association will agree that at the Annual General Meeting, the majority of clubs are not represented, but that would be rectified by more active zones and State Associations.

Secondly:— Sub-Item 3.

"That the representation on the A.C.T.A. Executive Committee for the States of New South Wales, which would include the A.C.T., Victoria and Queensland be reduced from four delegates to two delegates."

It must be pointed out most strongly that no reduction was made to South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania, who would still retain their two delegates.

The Victorian State Association is most strongly opposed to this provision in the proposed article in the Constitution for very obvious reasons which we submit to all concerned.

We propose an Amendment to the proposed article of Sub-Item 3. The Amendment is "That the A.C.T.A. Executive Committee be reduced in voting power by half from each State. It would allow two delegates with full voting power from Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland, one delegate with full voting power from South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania." End of Amendment.

Our reason for this is, as was mentioned earlier, the number of clubs in each State. We now quote the number of shooters that each State has registered — Victoria 2,856, New South Wales, including the A.C.T., 2,320, Queensland 1,814, South Australia 928, Western Australia 745, and Tasmania 476. The combined total of S.A., W.A. and Tasmania is 67 clubs, 2,149 shooters. We then ask you to compare the revenue that each State returns to the A.C.T.A. in registrations — Victoria \$42,840, New South Wales and A.C.T. \$34,800, Queensland \$27,210, South Australia \$13,920, Western Australia \$11,175 and Tasmania \$7,140.

The Amendment if accepted would reduce the A.C.T.A. Executive to nine members plus the A.C.T.A. President, with the result that expenses would be reduced by approximately half, we all must be aware of the expense of running the A.C.T.A. this alone would greatly reduce the cost.

Those States with only one vote should be allowed an observer from those States.

### Our Reasons for our Amendment to the Proposed Constitution

In the article it mentioned "Proxies" — we are aware that this does exist, at times, but not in the proportion the article would like us to believe. We must not forget that in many cases where this was reported those delegates were sometimes members of two or three clubs and sometimes held office in more than one Club.

Why were postal votes not considered? At A.G.M. it has always been supported that we accept this system. We do believe this should be explained to clubs.

We ask you all how can we support proposals that call for a reduction of delegates and Executive Members from Victoria, New South

Wales and Queensland, after we look at the figures that have been presented to you earlier in this article. We believe that equity in numbers must not be overlooked. We only have to look at Federal Parliament — do States that have a small population have the same number of representatives as those States with much greater population? Certainly NOT. Let us look at the various Boards and Associations, the Stock Exchange is a good comparison, Victoria and New South Wales, which has more members and turnover and has more votes than other States for the same reason we are asking for. The Wheat Board for instance is a good example — those States such as Victoria and Tasmania have a much smaller voting power than Western Australia and New South Wales — reason production.

We do believe that those States which would only have one vote must be given the opportunity to bring along one delegate or observer from their State Association with no voting power.

This would be of great help to those States A.C.T.A. delegate for many reasons, even if it was only to discuss matters that might or might not help that State, it also would be an insurance to those States with one vote that their A.C.T.A. Executive man is looking after their welfare and wishes.

It is true that the Victorian A.C.T.A. Executive who did attend the Executive meeting in Brisbane where these proposed constitutional changes were voted on, did support it at that time, we were given very little time to discuss the subject. Since then we, the State A.C.T.A. Executive members, having had time to think and talk to fellow administrators of clubs and our State Association, Victoria is certain that an honest and hasty mistake in Brisbane was made by we Victorians.

We all hope this matter will be dealt with in Adelaide at the Annual General Meeting, because alterations are long overdue. Please do not rush them through without being discussed.

R. F. BUCHAN,  
State Association President.

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# The Life of a Shooter — In Retrospect

(by A. A. Edwards,  
Townsville Gun Club).

It seems only yesterday that an old uncle of mine handed me an early model .22 rifle and suggested that I go into the orchard and shoot the parrots that were eating the apples. I can remember saying: "You mean those birds that are making all the noise?" and his terse reply: "No, shoot the quiet ones. They are doing all the eating." I never dreamed that this was to be the beginning of a life-time of shooting that lay ahead of me, for, from then on, life did not seem complete unless I was carrying a gun, or a rifle of some sort.

I was one of a large family living on the Goulburn River near Alexandra Victoria. The week-end meat supply mainly consisted of rabbits, or whatever could be shot. Ducks were rather difficult to hit with a .22. However, my brother and I, by dint of hard work, saved up 2 pounds and bought a H & R single shotgun, and what fun we had on 'Duck Opening Morning', taking it in turn to try and drop a few ducks. This is where we probably learnt to point a gun with the correct lead, and not sight it.

After the 1914-18 War, a few businessmen got together and formed a Clay Target Club and started shooting on the Alexandra Showgrounds. This Club is still active and is now established some two miles out of town.

About this time, my brother and I left school and started picking up a little money around the farms, mainly chasing rabbits or foxes and receiving a few bob in return. Of course, skins were good in this cold climate, a buck skin fetching one shilling, and a good fox skin one pound. We pooled our money and bought a new double barrel shotgun for 4 pounds, and joined the Gun Club. Cartridges were, I think, five shillings per box of twenty-five.

From then on, we shot at various Clubs. One, I remember, was Yea. Then there was a trip to Melbourne to watch renowned Champions like "Duxbac", "Calrossi", "Wee-Doc-and-Doris" — each used a nom-de-plume, which is not allowed today. These shooters had very expensive guns made by Hollis, W. Greener, Holloway, and Purdy. One, I recall, was gold-engraved and cost about 100 pounds, an enormous sum in those days.

Eventually, I joined the Light Horse, for this meant a chance to use the .303, or Big Bore Rifle, and a trip every year to the Light Horse Camp at Broadmeadows, and a day's shooting on the Williamstown Rifle Range. What an experience it was to watch hundreds of targets moving up and down, and to actually take part in a shoot, our bullets whistling out to sea.

Up to, and through, the Depression years, our main source of income was the rabbit (or underground mutton, as it was often referred to). Some of the sheep and cow 'cockies' kept us in cartridges and paid us a few bob to clear their paddocks of rabbits and foxes. The part we enjoyed most was driving the scrubs in the small bends of the river, with the best shot put at a point where we decided a fox would most likely exit from. We used a special cartridge loaded with No. 2 or 3 shot and made by Donald Mackintosh, Melbourne.

After the Depression, my brother and I saved our fares to go to Queensland, where, we were told, there was plenty of work and better money. This proved to be true, in some respects. However, we moved to Queensland and settled in Home Hill.

After a time, the Ayr and Home Hill Rifle Clubs were formed. We also shot for some years on the Cluden Range, Townsville, competing in the "Kings" and later in the "Queens", and visited other Clubs — Bowen, Mackay, Halifax, Ravenshoe, Cairns and Charters Towers.

My first love has always been the Shotgun. I was a Foundation Member of the Ayr Gun Club, first shooting at Brandon, and later on the Ayr Race Track, in 1940, where I won my first Championship. I travelled to Perth and competed at Western Australian Gun Clubs, shot in the Nationals at Belmont, and competed at Charters Towers, Herbert River and Silkwood Gun Clubs. My most cherished memories include winning a Commonwealth Title at Ingham, 1957, and a Winchester O/U Shotgun at the old Giru grounds. In 1964, to my surprise, I made the Queensland State Team to shoot at Atherton.

My main interest has been with the Townsville Gun Club, first shooting at Pimlico, then at Thornley Park — this name comes from the Chinese Apple which abounds there. This was where Australia's great sportsman, Newton Thomas shot his first clay targets. The Townsville Gun Club now shoot on their own beautiful and spacious grounds at "Killymoon", a few miles from the city.

After Big Bore .303 and 7.62 shooting, off and on over the years, I decided I should like a change. Consequently I joined the Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia in 1969, and shot with the Townsville Branch at Cluden and later at the Brookhill Range. I have enjoyed my association with the Townsville Branch. Despite my success with S.S.A.A. Awards, I found the elusive 'Diamond' always just out of reach.

The type of shooting provided by S.S.A.A. presents a wonderful opportunity for young people "to get away from it all," to learn how to handle firearms safely, and in particular, to become knowledgeable in the finer techniques of shooting.

I have been honoured by the Townsville Gun Club by being elected their Patron for the past two years, and by a similar Office in the Townsville Branch, S.S.A.A., which also conferred on me Life Membership.

I have returned many times to my old haunts at Alexandra, in the Kelly country, but have always been glad to return to Queensland.

I look back over a long life of shooting and believe that there is no better Sport to test concentration and perseverance and to develop good sportsmanship — for, as we all know, competitive shooting provides more disappointments than successes.

Good luck to all Shooters for 1978.

# New Ways to Counter Ducks on Rice

To discourage wild ducks from damaging rice crops, some Griffith growers are feeding rice to ducks on the Barren Bock swamp, which abuts their properties.

The move was so successful last season that more swamp-side growers have joined the voluntary duck-feeding group this year.

This was said by Peter Moore, field officer, National Parks and Wildlife Service of NSW, last month.

The Griffith-based officer was speaking at the Victorian Field and Game Association's Wildlife Management conference at Latrobe University, Melbourne.

A cartridge that is used to scare birds from airports is being used despite its 45c cost. It is far more effective than the conventional cartridge because it travels 70 metres before exploding with the noise and light of a powerful cracker.

A strong light that oscillates back and forth across a crop also deters birds.

Noise makers, coupled to amplifiers, are increasing.

Scare guns alone are ineffective; they need to be backed by shooting, Mr Moore said.

Ducks cause more damage to aerial-sown crops than crops planted by combine in which the seed is pushed into the ground.

The shooting of ducks on the rice is a crop-protection method not a sport shooting open season, Mr Moore said.

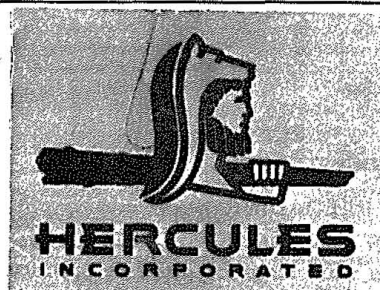
Spotlight shooting is illegal. So is taking birds other than by gun.

Poisoning is banned. The NP&WL Service would like to hear from shooters who suspect that poison has been used. In such an instance the service would press for maximum penalty.

Ninety-five per cent of ducks shot are wood duck, black duck and grey teal, in roughly equal proportions.

This season ducks have been no problem, Mr Moore said.

(TOM GANNON, Korumburra Gun Club).



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## NATIONALS - '78

To be conducted on the grounds of the South Australian Gun Club from Wednesday 8th March to Wednesday March 15th inclusive.  
Shooting will commence at 8 a.m.  
(or as soon after that time as light permits) daily.

### DAY 1 & 2

(Wednesday 8th & Thursday 9th March)

**NINTH NATIONAL SKEET C'SHIP**

50 targets, to be shot in two rounds of 25, one round on each day.  
Nom. \$18.00

### DAY 3 (Friday 10th March)

**EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL DR C'SHIP**

25 pairs of targets, broken targets to count, to be shot 5 pairs per ground over five successive grounds, from 16 metres.  
Nom. \$16.00

### DAY 4 (Saturday 11th March)

**29TH GRAND AUSTRALIAN HANDICAP**

50 targets, shot in two rounds, each of 25 targets, from ACTA Handicap Mark. Broken targets to count.  
Nom. \$18.00

### DAY 5 (Sunday 12th March)

**26TH NATIONAL DB C'SHIP**

50 targets, shot in two rounds each of 25 targets, from 16 metres.  
Broken targets to count.  
Nom. \$18.00

### DAY 6 (Monday 13th March)

**24TH NATIONAL SB C'SHIP**

50 targets, shot in two rounds each of 25 targets, from 16 metres.  
Broken targets to count.  
Nom. \$18.00

### DAY 7 (Tuesday 14th March)

**17TH AUST.-N.Z. TRAP C'SHIP**

50 targets, shot in two rounds each of 25 targets from 16 metres.  
To be scored on points, three points for breaking the target with the first barrel and two points for breaking the target with the second barrel.  
Nom. \$18.00

followed by

**4TH INTER. TRAP TEAMS' MATCH**

Teams to consist of six shooters (who have competed in the country which they are representing) each to shoot at 20 targets.

### DAY 8 (Wednesday 15th March)

**MACKINTOSH INTER TEAM'S MATCH**

followed by the

**38TH CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS CUP**

50 targets, shot in two rounds of 25 targets from 20 metres. Broken targets to count.  
Nom. \$18.00

Nom. \$18.00

In National Skeet Championship, the nomination includes a sweepstake of \$3, to be divided \$1 for first 25, \$1 for second 25, and \$1 overall.

In National Double Rise Championship, the nomination includes a sweepstake of \$1 overall, to be divided into grades, on the basis of the number of competitors in each grade.

In Grand Australian Handicap, the nomination includes a sweepstake of \$3, to be divided \$1 for first 25, \$1 for second 25, and \$1 overall.

In all other National Events, the nomination includes a sweepstake of \$3, to be divided into grades on basis of number of competitors in each grade, and to be further divided \$1 for first 25, \$1 for second 25 and \$1 overall.

The National Double Rise Championship, the National Double Barrel Championship, the National Single Barrel Championship, the Australia-New Zealand Trap (Pointscore) Championship and the Champion of Champions Cup will all be conducted as GRADED EVENTS

# CLAY TARGETS IN PARADISE

(Gordon Nelis,  
Brisbane Gun Club).



Happy High Gun winner Barry Nelis from Brisbane Gun Club. Individual event scores of Trench Universelle 179/200, Skeet Olympique 156/200 and Fosse Americaine 195/200 totalled 530/600 to win the Beretta High Gun Trophy.

**NOTE:** Although a report on the New Caledonian Matches appeared in December issue of CTSN, this story depicts a different view and is published in the interests of broadening our understanding of overseas contests and conditions.

For the 4th Championnat Open de Ball Trap de Nouvelle Calédonie 1977 our French hosts, the Ligue de Tir de Nouvelle Calédonie, had in their wisdom moved program date from early August as in previous years to early October due to inclement weather conditions experienced at earlier championships.

Their strategy paid off handsomely — the weather was absolutely beautiful for entire championships making our visit to this glorious tropical paradise even more enjoyable.

The Victorian contingent were first to arrive to avail themselves of full practice period and consisted of our team manager Dr Raymond Young and his charming wife Jennifer, Tony Rowe, Tom and Beryl Lucas, Max and Margaret Vipond and a couple of roving vagabonds in the personages of Vince Molica and Alan Bould. The banana-benders, Graham and Janet Napier from Nambour (Sunshine Coast Gun Club), Barry Nelis and his eldest daughter Vicky, Gordon Nelis and his wife Beverley (Brisbane Gun Club) arrived later to catch last practice day.

It was great to renew old acquaintances with friends we had not seen for sometime. A team had arrived from Tahiti under the captaincy of Ms. Mavro and a very strong Kiwi team, thawing out nicely from their severe winter, was also present lead by Sid Hanson, Secretary of the New Zealand Clay Target Association. Our New Caledonian hosts had already selected teams from their keenly contested eliminations. The only disappointment to us all was the absence of Tony Pavsic and his crew from New Guinea, but a business trip to Europe clashed with match dates so Tony could not be with us.

Accommodations at Chateau Royal were excellent as usual. Evening dinner entertainment at the Chateau's Beach Hut was superb, the various Polynesian dancing groups excelling themselves, and a must — for those not worried about a fire dance under a huge native grass thatch roof that is!

Ringside tables are not recommended for the faint of heart during the Wallisian dancers routine; at the outset I was not too happy at having a roof support post partially obstructing my view, but after

observing their incredible dexterity and speed twirling machettes and fighting axes — I was pleased to have something to duck behind, just in case.

English speaking movies were screened several nights a week and hotel management hosted regular get-together cocktail parties. These social activities were at no cost to house guests.

There are many first class restaurants in Noumea specialising in everything from local seafoods and French traditional to genuine Chinese. Nightclubs also aplenty; if you visit "La Mafia" — take your own machine gun.

Then, if you feel lucky, at 9 p.m. the Casino Royale throws open its doors and they can keep you busy at Roulette and Blackjack — until four in the morning if you wish. If you 'go bust' before 4 a.m. you can drown your sorrows in "Nicks Nite Club" next door.

The Chateau has well appointed tennis courts and a magnificent swimming pool sunbathing area. It is also right on Anse Vata beach. And fellah's — the beach sights you would not believe!

Boat trips leave from the Chateau's private jetty and all manner of water sports from skindiving to water skiing are provided by the Chateau's Nauticclub. The local bus service is regular and efficient, leaving the Chateau's front door every twenty minutes or so. Ten to fifteen minutes later you are in the centre of the shopping area with its sidewalk cafes, fashion shops and department stores; not to mention the dozens of local handicraft souvenir shops with much of their merchandise marked 'made in Taiwan' or some such.

And men, when the spouse moves around fashion clothing bearing 'Dior' and 'Cardin' labels — you can forget the budget!

Match program this year totalled 600 targets; 200 targets Fosse Universelle, 200 targets Skeet Olympique, 200 targets Fosse Americaine. Additionally this year, Parcours de Chasse was available for those who wished to try a practice round or two, but this event was not included in official championship program.

Fosse Universelle, translated, is Universal Trench; shot from 16 metres over five machines connected with phonopull targets thrown are similar to our better known Olympic Trench. Skeet Olympique is of course our Olympic Skeet; gun down, up to three second delay, shot this year in new I.S.U. sequence. Fosse Americaine or Ball Trap is almost identical to our down-the-line and top of trap house is level with ground surface; this is shot from 16 metres, double barrel.

Pacours de Chasse is a simulated field course, similar I would think to Field & Game ranges in Victoria, and was in this instance installed on a steep rain forest covered hillside, just to the rear of main range. Two trap machines were used and competitors move to various shooting stations on hillside between traps with each move altering flight angle of targets. A round consisted of 25 targets using skeet guns and No. 9's. It is not easy!

Range facilities consisted of one universal trench layout, two skeet fields and two ball trap layouts. Clubhouse housed range administration staff, cartridge storage and, that all important appendage — the bar. A tent was erected for dining room and excellent continental breakfasts and midday meals were provided at modest cost. Snacks were available at all times. We were advised that a new modern clubhouse should be ready for '78 championnats.

Official practice was programed September 29th thru October 1st with competitions commencing October 2nd. On last afternoon of practice our contingent conducted a 50 target elimination to decide our trench team resulting in Barry Nelis (Captain), Gordon Nelis, Alan Bould and Tom Lucas being in the front line. Due to some bad luck, we were, as a team, slaughtered.

Our shooters present having had little to no experience in Olympic Skeet, our erstwhile manager called for volunteers. He was not exactly mobbed in the rush, but following some murmuring about a possible dawn execution, our Kamikaze squad included Barry Nelis (Captain), Vince Molica, Max Vipond and Gordon Nelis. An effort was therefore made, but when the smoke had cleared the squad voted unanimously that scores be not held for posterity, but consigned, with despatch, if not sooner, to nearest trash can.

Fosse Americaine team selection was based on our Australian handicaps resulting in Vince Molica (Captain), Alan Bould, Barry Nelis and Gordon Nelis being the Australian Team. Fortunately, the old adage "you can't lose 'em all" was in our favour and we romped in, just!

For first four days we shot 50 trench and 50 skeet targets each day. Team and individual grades placings were decided on first three days (150 targets), with final day to decide individual placings off scratch (200 targets).

Fosse Americaine event was conducted on final two days, 100 targets per day, with team, grade and individual overall placings as for trench and skeet above.



## CLAY TARGETS IN PARADISE

Once again a very good selection of crackers was available with locals and many of the more adventurous tourists favouring FOB Carrega Grand Prix and Gevelot Trap Supervix 7½ nickel trench shells, and FOB Skeet 9's and Gevelot Skeet Supervix 9's. All the above are p-r-e-t-t-y hot stuff. Other European shells available included Black Legia, Manufrance Verna Trap and FOB Type Training. Winchester AA 7's and 9's, Red Ranger 7's and 9's and Black Ranger 7's were also available.

Strange to relate, quite a few competitors, myself included, experienced problems with misfires and blown primers, with both European and locally made shells. I hasten to add that this is not a criticism, merely an observation; for manufacturers to produce the millions of shells that they do, it is a tribute to their quality control that such occurrences are extremely few and far between.

During the matches we were once again privileged to enjoy a visit from Ms. Jean-Gabriel Eriau the High Commissioner of New Caledonia, who was accompanied by his Minister for Sport. Ms. Eriau, himself a firearms enthusiast specialising in collecting Colt pistols, displayed a keen interest in the competitions and obviously enjoyed mixing with the shooters.

One of the social activities was a monster smorgasbord/barbecue dinner supplied by our wonderful hosts at completion of shooting one evening. It was a great night at which many friendships were well and truly cemented as the bar ran dry.

On yet another evening our hosts invited delegates from participating countries to attend a FITASC (International Sports Clay Pigeon Shooting Federation) information meeting and Dr Raymond Young and I had the pleasure of attending. Held at the hotel Isle de France, delegates were advised of the possibility of a World Championship for non-Olympic events and/or a World Cup for Parours de Chasse. Our hosts were keen to receive ideas on this matter and also the extent to which Pacific area countries would participate. Delegates have forwarded reports on this meeting to the A.C.T.A. for consideration.

Highlight of festivities was closing ceremony and presentation of medals and trophies. This was a colourful occasion indeed, right up to presentation of High Gun award, a Beretta S58 trap gun, at which silver medallist Dupuy walked off with forend and bronze medallist Bareth walked off with barrels, leaving winner Barry Nelis standing on victory dais holding buttstock-receiver and an amazed look! A typically French humorous ending enjoyed by all present.

Following closing formalities the Australian team, on behalf of the A.C.T.A., made a presentation to the ladies behind the men who had made the championships the success that they were, as a small token of appreciation from the visiting team and an expression of goodwill between our two countries. The presentation, especially selected to be Australian in character, consisted of solid white opal pendants and were presented to Mde. Bareth, wife of the President of the Ligue de Tir de Nouvelle Calédonie; Mde. Lussiez, wife of the President of The Club de Tir Calédonien; Mde. Furace, wife of the Vice President; Mde. Coniglio, wife of the Secretary; and Mde. Delem, wife of the Treasurer.

Immediately following closing ceremony the Kiwi contingent, clad in winter woolly's and snowshoes (it had snowed in Auckland that morning) bade us a sad farewell and hightailed it for Tontouta airport for their flight home, not too many of them being keen to take their new sunbats back to snow country. Unfortunately they missed the closing dinner dance due to a hitch in their itinerary and it was a pity that they were not present at this gala occasion.

Dates have not yet been set for the '78 Championnats due to complexities of late 1978 world calendar. In the August to October period we have the North American trap championships at Vandalia, Ohio; the skeet championships at San Antonio, Texas; the Commonwealth Games at Edmonton, Alberta; the Pesta Sukan in Singapore; and the big one, the 42nd World Shooting Championships at Seoul, South Korea.

It will not be easy for the organisers to find a time slot for Noumea, but when the dates do become known I suggest that readers give strong thought to participating. You are assured an enjoyable visit; I hope to make it again next year and if I do it will be my fourth trip, so I am not leading you astray.

Until Noumea in '78, au revoir.

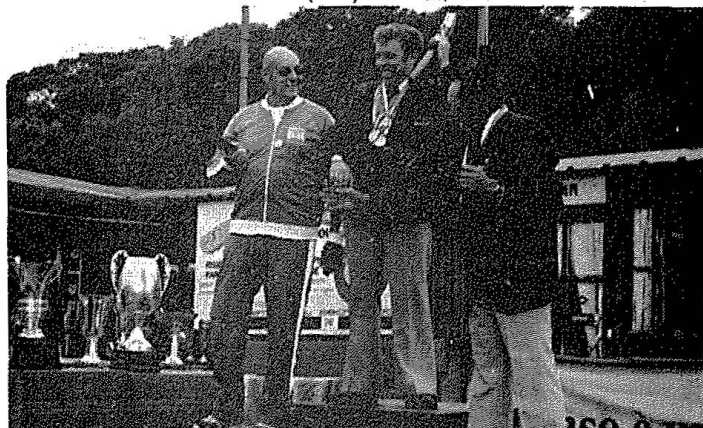
(GORDON NELIS, Brisbane Gun Club).



"A" Grade Fosse Americaine winners: Gold Barry Nelis (Aust.), Silver John Quin (N.Z.) and Bronze Alan Bould (Aust.)



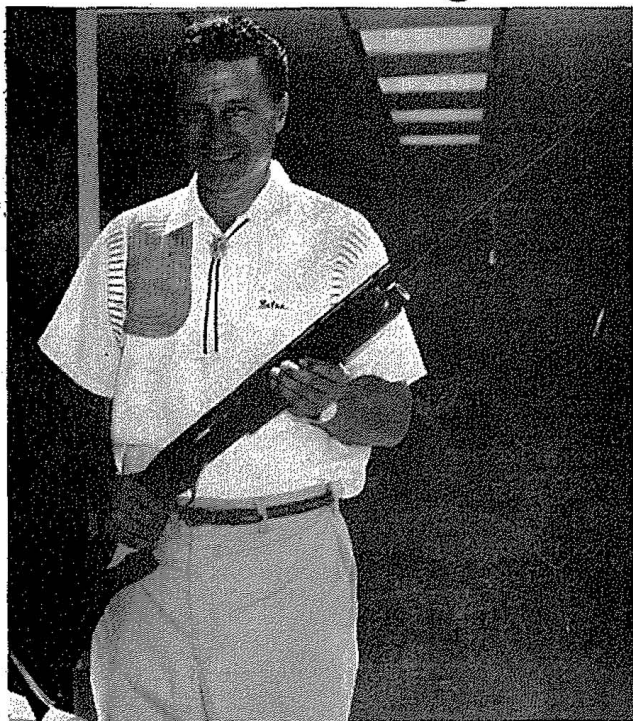
Australian team of Vince Mollica, Alan Bould, Barry and Gordon Nelis collect the teams Fosse Americaine Gold Medal and the coveted FOB Cup with a winning score of 568/600. Silver Medal went to New Zealand with 563/600 and the Bronze to North Island (N.Z.) with 556/600.



Jacques Bareth (right) and Andre Dupuy (left) decide that High Gun trophy should be split three ways.

# TRAPSHOOTING

## with Elgin Gates



The author, Elgin Gates.

An important factor that many trap-shooters give little thought to is the impact point of their shotgun. I'm not speaking here of the pattern itself, but the impact of the pattern at say 35 or 40 yards — where the target normally is broken — in relation to the sight picture. This varies a great deal from gun to gun, even among identical models. The answer, in many cases, can be found in the barrel.

Most shotgun barrels are made from thin tubing, and by the time they go through the many operations of manufacture including the installation of the rib — usually by silver-brazing — probably not one in fifty is dead true. The impact point varies accordingly.

Let me give an example: for several months I had been shooting an auto-loading model of a well known make. I liked the gun — and still do. The stock was properly fitted; I had the feel of it; and was shooting some excellent scores. Then the barrel developed a crack near the receiver end, so I ordered a new barrel, same length, same choke. I put it on, and suddenly I was missing targets right and left. It had to be me, I thought, as the new barrel was identical to the old one. I went through a frustrating period trying other guns, new techniques — and went from bad to worse. What I didn't know at the time was that the impact point of the new barrel at 40 yards was two feet lower and a foot to the left of my original barrel.

Finally an old gunsmith showed me how to read a barrel. Here is how to do it: First, be sure the barrel is clean.

Then hold it up so that the receiver or chamber end is about four inches from your eye and point it toward the sky or a white wall. You will see a series of concentric rings in the barrel. The first or largest ring is the receiver end of the barrel; the second is at the end of the chamber. The next ring will seem to be about half-way down the barrel. Each of these will be progressively smaller in size. In some barrels, especially those with forcing cones, you may see two or three additional rings. The last, or smallest ring is the muzzle. For the moment, IGNORE the smallest or muzzle ring and concentrate on centering the other rings inside of each other.

I can read a barrel quickly by holding it in my hands, but for the first few times you should try this with the barrel clamped in a vice. When your eye has the first three or four larger rings centred exactly inside of each other, then hold this picture and let your eye pick up

the smallest or muzzle ring. If it, too, is EXACTLY in the centre of the other rings, you are looking through a barrel that is quite true or straight. (You may have to practise this a few times to get the hang of it.)

Now, if the smallest or muzzle ring is to the left or the right, or high or low in relation to the other rings, the barrel is not true and the impact point will vary accordingly.

The muzzle ring of my first barrel — the one that was shooting good for me — is about a sixteenth-of-an-inch high. The muzzle ring in the replacement barrel was slightly low and a sixteenth to the left. The difference in the impact point of the pattern resulted first in a few lost targets. Then, as I attempted to correct this by experimenting with my shooting technique — not yet knowing about the different impact point — things really went to-hell.

The turning point came when the old gunsmith showed me how to read barrels. I had him straighten and align the new barrel to match the old one exactly, including the sixteenth-high muzzle ring.

Having been so badly fouled up in the meantime, it took a while to get back in the groove, but it WAS the answer. Naturally, I checked all my other barrels and guns, finding only one barrel that was really straight.

As another example, a good friend had a very expensive trap gun with which he gradually worked up to AA class, winning several championships. I looked through the barrel of his gun one day, noting that the muzzle ring was low, about the equivalent of a foot at impact distance. Since he was shooting so well, I didn't mention it.

Shortly thereafter, returning by airline from a distant shoot, the rib of his gun was damaged during baggage handling. He had it repaired. When I saw him several weeks later he was on the verge of despair, having shot some terrible scores. Suspecting the truth — after he told me about the repair — I broke the gun and checked it.

The muzzle ring was almost a quarter-inch HIGH. His original impact point had been changed three or four feet! The heat of silver-brazing the rib blocks back on had warped the barrel up. He had it straightened to the original slightly low alignment, and shortly was shooting AA scores again.

The point here is that a man may be shooting up a storm with a gun that had — in his case — a barrel that was impacting a foot low, or whatever. But let him pick up an identical model with the same dimensions, or let him change barrels, or have the rib repaired and he may have a barrel with a different — AND UNKNOWN TO HIM — impact point. The results can make a man want to swear off shooting.

I ended up with four barrels for my autoloader, all of which had different impact points, and had them realigned to match the first barrel with the sixteenth-high muzzle ring. Three of them shoot virtually the same. The fourth crawls back out of line during the heat of shooting so I put it aside.

For double barrel shooting, a gun with a single barrel will at least put both shots in the same place. Over and Under models are SUPPOSED to be aligned so that the impact point of both barrels comes together at approximately 40 yards. I've checked many of them that didn't.

Less than a month ago I checked an O/U gun of a well-known make that had just come back from the factory repair shop. The owner had missed so many targets he was about to go crazy. The under barrel was warped down and shooting at least a foot low. The over barrel a foot-and-a-half high. They were shooting just the opposite of where they should have been. He was an unhappy man when I showed him what was happening, and it was quite an expensive piece of work to get them properly aligned so he could shoot decent scores again.

The whole point of this barrel reading business is this: If you are "on" and shooting well, it really doesn't matter where the muzzle ring is. But if you have changed barrels, had some rib repair work done, bought a new gun of an identical model, and suddenly are having trouble hitting targets that you used to break, then before you sell the gun or wrap it around a fence post in frustration, or change all your shooting habits trying to cure the trouble, read the barrels and check or compare the impact point. You may find the answer to your problem.



# CLUB NEWS . . .

**LISMORE GUN CLUB (NSW)** are holding their Annual General Meeting on Sunday afternoon 22nd January 1978.

**MORNINGTON CLAY TARGET CLUB (VIC)** held their annual meeting at the home of Mr N. Cross on 27/11/77. The new Committee is: President - T. Ferlazzo; Vice President - D. Kidd; Secretary - G. Matthews. Treasurer - P. Talbot. General Committee - N. Cross, T. Joseph, J. Irons, M. Parsons, B. Brooks. The Club has now decided to grade all Championships beginning with a 50 target on January 14.

**HORSHAM GUN CLUB (VIC)** The following were elected to office at the annual meeting held on 25/10/77: President - T. Scott, Vice Presidents - G. Ervin and B. Robinson; Secretary/Treasurer - D. Harris; Assistant Secretary/Treasurer - F. Heinze.

**BUNBURY SKEET CLUB (W.A.)** The new committee for 1978 is: President - Mr R. Silvester, 67 Austral Parade, Bunbury, 6230; Vice President - Mr J. Anderson, Spencer Street, Bunbury 6230; Secretary - Mrs J. Roach, 13 Bryant Street, Sandridge Park, Bunbury; Treasurer - Mrs M. Silvester, 67 Austral Parade, Bunbury.

**BAIRNSDALE (VIC)** At the recent A.G.M. on 26/10/77 the following office-bearers were elected: President - Mr John Leadoux, Snr. Vice President - Mr J. (Dick) Aukema; Junior Vice President - Mr Kevin Cocks; Secretary/Treasurer - Mr John Saunders; Assist. Sec./Treas. - Mr John Gheller; A.C.T.A. Delegate - Mr Henry Klein. The Club has recently installed two new Winchester Continentals and shoots 1st Saturday each month. Address all correspondence to the Secretary, P.O. Box 354, Bairnsdale 3875.

**ALEXANDRA (VIC)** — their Annual Meeting was held on 18/11/77. President is Mr B. Pyke, "Cloverly", Crystal Creek, Alexandra, Phone (057) 72 1189; Secretary - Sue McNair, 13 The Boulevard, Eildon, Phone (057) 74 2118.

**HAY (NSW)** — The following were elected to office at the A.G.M. held on 25/11/77. Patrons J. Houston, Max Gibson; President - T. A. (Tom) Dawson; Hon. Secretary - Ian McLaughlin; Hon. Treasurer - R. F. Stubbs.

**MELBOURNE GUN CLUB (Vic)** President Bob Buchan has advised that a Referee Discussion night will be conducted at Melbourne Gun Club on Wednesday 25th January. This will provide both existing and potential skeet and trap referees with an opportunity to discuss problems of mutual interest. By this means, the standard of refereeing can steadily be improved and the idea should be taken up by major Clubs in all States.

Although the "work session" will not commence until around 8 p.m., bring along a steak and enjoy a barbecue tea after shooting a few targets — it's a great way to spend a summer evening!

**ROBE GUN CLUB (S.A.)** On 20th November, Executive Committee Member Phillip Mules visited Robe Gun Club and amongst other duties, tested a number of applicants from surrounding Clubs for Trap Referee Badges. He has reported that the Club facilities and management are excellent and all visitors were very impressed with the level of the Club hospitality.

**SOUTH WEST ZONE — VICTORIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION** — The Annual General Meeting of this Zone will be held at Ararat Gun Club on Sunday 15th January, immediately after the conclusion of a shooting match, commencing at 12 noon. A cordial invitation is extended to all Clubs and shooters in the Zone to attend.

**UPPER HUNTER GUN CLUB (N.S.W.)** The Annual Meeting was held on 24th November at which the following were elected to office: President - Eddie Milham, Sec - Ron Wakem and Treasurer - Mr L. Rose. The Club Delegate to the A.C.T.A. remains as Eddie Milham.

**NOORAT GUN CLUB (VIC)** have advised that it will conduct the Victorian D.B. Continental (Night) Championships on Saturday 25th March 1978.

**FRANKSTON/AUSTRALIAN GUN CLUB (VIC)** is planning to hold its first open program on its new site on Sunday 29th January, commencing at 12 noon. A warm invitation is extended to all shooters to come along, and see how much work has been done in a short space of time.

**COHUNA GUN CLUB (Vic)** A long time supporter to Cohuna Gun Club recently passed away — he was Bill Dale, who operated a general store and retail hardware business in the town until he sold out earlier this year. Bill was aged 62 when he died.

**BENDIGO CLAY TARGET CLUB (Vic)** which will be the venue for the 1978 Victorian Trap Carnival now has its fourth DTL ground operating. As further evidence of the Club's progressive policies, extensions to the Clubhouse are about to be commenced and should be finished well before the Carnival.

**WAGGA GUN CLUB (N.S.W.)** This Club will conduct an ISU Skeet Qualifying Event of 20 targets on February 24th and 25th. In conjunction, the Riverina Zone I.S.U. Skeet Championships will be run on the 24th September.

**MORNINGTON CLAY TARGET CLUB (Vic)** now has a new President and Secretary. At the Annual Meeting which was held on 17th November, Tony Ferlazzo (Secretary for past couple of years) was elected as President and Graham Mathews is now Secretary.

**HAY GUN CLUB (N.S.W.)** Mark Graham has been appointed Club Publicity Officer, which is a very worthwhile move that more Clubs should copy. His first task was to advise C.T.S.N. of the Hay Gun Club Easter Carnival and readers are asked to note the dates (25th, 26th and 27th March, 1978) — there is a preliminary notice elsewhere in this issue.

**JEPARIT GUN CLUB (Vic)** At the Annual Meeting held on 17/11/77 Ken Miller was re-elected as President, F. Pitt Sec/Treas; M. Pitt - Asst. Sec.; Jim Gawith - Vice President; Committee - June Gawith, M. Gawith, Jenny Newcombe, T. Pitt, D. Flavel, W. Ackland, S. Newcombe, D. Fisher, D. Witney, D. Werner, R. Hounsell, R. Kruger. Thanks to all shooters and helpers both local and visiting for their attendance and assistance for 1977.

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## NATIONALS '78

Following the recent meeting of the South Australian Clay Target Association, plans for the 1978 National Championships are continuing to crystallise. The appointment of a Gunsmith (together with retail facilities) has been made — Taipan Gun Shop will provide the service! (The proprietors are the well known Sid and Elva Churches) and a full parts and accessories service will be provided.

The Public Relations job has been allocated to the widely known CTSN correspondent Pat Browne, whilst all office and administrative positions have been filled. Referees are still required for both trap and skeet events and application should be forwarded to the State Secretary, Doug Prescott. The rates of pay are \$50 per ground per day, two referees to a ground. Catering arrangements are not yet complete, but it is intended to provide a full meals and snack service, at a reasonable price.

Day trips are being arranged for visitors who are not shooting and the present thought is to operate tours on Thursday 9th, Saturday 11th, Monday 13th and Wednesday 15th. Tours will include Barossa Valley, Murray Bridge and river cruise, Victor Harbour and Adelaide City.

**Meetings.** The Annual Meeting of the National Association will be conducted on Friday 10th March commencing at 7.00 p.m. in the Clubhouse of the South Australian Gun Club.

A meeting of the Executive Committee has been arranged for Monday 6th March, commencing at 10.00 a.m.

One of the highlights of the '78 Nationals will be the Presentation Night Dinner Dance. This will be held at the premises of the South Australian Italian Association at the conclusion of the series — that is the evening of Wednesday 15th March. High Gun Awards will be presented, and the announcement of members of the New Zealand and U.S.A. touring teams will be made. An orchestra will provide music to satisfy a wide range of tastes. Tickets will be \$10 per head (for a four-course meal), drinks will be extra.

The 1978 National Champions, together with their wives or girl friends (not both!) will be official guests and the night will provide an opportunity to fete the Champions and High Gun winners. A limited number of tickets will be available and will be obtainable from the A.C.T.A. Information Office on the S.A. Gun Club Grounds. (Early applications can be mailed to the National Office, together with a cheque for the appropriate amount).

**Cartridges.** Once again two manufacturers will be supplying BRANDED cartridges for use in all National events, with the exception of the Grand Australian Handicap. The suppliers are Winchester Aust. and Eley Ammunition and each will supply an extensive range of products. Prices will be \$5.50 per packet or \$103 per case. Nationals branded cartridges will be available from the day prior to the commencement of the Nationals series — that is, on Tuesday 7th March.

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## EDITOR'S MAILBOX

Dear Noel,

I am a keen and active D.T.L. shooter and travel to as many Clubs and open shoots as possible, usually shooting twice a week.

In recent months I have travelled extensively having attended the "Nationals" at Brisbane, the N.S.W. State Carnival at Guyra and many more large open programs. At most of these fixtures I have encountered very poor refereeing standards, not only in blatantly inconsistent release of targets but also erratic rule interpretation.

Admittedly, I call very quickly and as such, most assuredly contribute to a high proportion of slow releases. Every shooter knows that all referees are capable of fast or slow pulls at some stage, but I feel that the test of a good referee is whether or not he recognises and acknowledges this fault when it occurs.

Open shoots involve high travelling, accommodation and nomination expenses, which should entitle the shooter to total equity when he elects to support and compete in any program. This lack of equity has discouraged me (and a lot of others as well) to the point where I am reluctant to return to some Clubs, despite almost overwhelming desire to shoot at every opportunity. I think you will agree that our sport needs a lot of stimulation and promotion and really cannot afford to be affected detrimentally by such fundamental contingencies.

Possibly the introduction of the National Coaching system for shooters could be expanded to include compulsory coaching for referees as well. It appears to me that refereeing standards are not adequately policed, and once having gained his/her badge a referee can adopt a dictatorial attitude against which a shooter has little or no redress.

Until a refereeing system which reduces or eliminates a lot of the human error involved is implemented, I feel that a higher standard should not only be encouraged but insisted upon, in fairness to the paying consumer (the shooter).

Yours sincerely,

ROD HAYES.

Dear Noel,

I was most interested to note the reference in November Shooting News to Veteran Shooters (page 4) because it prompts me to air a matter which has been in my mind for several years, and which I raised a couple of times at meetings of the now defunct Victorian Western District Clay Target Association.

Within the ranks of the many thousands of clay target shooters in Australia there must be some who have followed the sport for so long that they would fall within one, or both, of the following categories:—

- (a) have reached the age of 65 and have been registered shooters for 25 years continually, or
- (b) have reached the age of 70 years, with 30 years continual membership of the A.C.T.A.

I am proud to say that next year I will have qualified in both groups.

I feel that the ACTA could recognise the support given to our sport by people who fall within one of the above groups by granting them Honorary Life Registrations. In the formative years of the Australian Clay Pigeon Trap Shooting Association, (later re-named Australian Clay Target Association), opportunity was given shooters to buy life membership for about twenty pounds, as I recall it, but I think that for various reasons, mainly financial, only relatively few would have accepted the offer. The cost to the ACTA of adopting my suggestion would be low, for, when all is said and done our allotted life span is three score years and ten, and, "it is later than you think".

On the title page of each issue of Shooting News there appears a list of men who have been so honoured by the ACTA, principally because of their service to our sport at ACTA Executive level, and they richly deserve such honour. However, the ACTA would not exist without Clubs, and it is at Club level that I think of the people (men and women) who, year after year accept and perform the duties of president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, delegate, committeeman, marshal, P.R.O., trap mechanic, coach, referee, referee examiner, team captain, groundsman, grass-cutter, toilet-cleaner and general factotum. Any veteran with 25-30 years service would hardly have escaped some of these jobs, and no doubt he would have derived a fair amount of pleasure in the process.

The publication of this letter in Shooting News, Noel, may spark discussion at State or Federal levels, and as the ball has been set rolling someone may be prepared to give it a push — or just stick a pin in it.

Sincerely Yours, DON CORSTORPHAN.

Dear Sir,

### Re Handicapping.

I would like to add my support to the comments by J. Draper whose letter appeared in Oct. CTSN. I feel that doubling trophy values is a retrograde step in (a) raising costs (b) assisting the good shots beat the handicapper. I also feel that handicapping should be related to targets broken and the shooter who achieves 100% over a hundred targets should be handicapped on 25 metres. By bringing each shooter forward every 2% we have front markers on 72%, this would put 80% shooter on 16 metres. There are shooters who can break 80% on marks forward of this.

In closing I would ask any shooters who have similar or contrary views to write to the Secretary of the ACTA and let him have their views,

Yours sincerely,

D. LEVINGSTON.

## Robert Maywald Wins Sportsman of Year Award

Sponsored by the Waikerie/Lowbank Field and Game Club, 21-year-old Robert Maywald was chosen as the Waikerie Sportsman of the Year at the Annual Sportsman of the Year Dinner held at the Waikerie Hotel last Wednesday night.

The winner's achievements at Clay Target shooting over the last 12 months certainly prove him to be a worthy recipient of Waikerie's supreme sporting award, which is donated annually by the Hotel Social Club and which was the brain child of Mike Gorman, manager of the Hotel.

Robert's list of victories include the Renmark Orange Week simulated trophy, the Ian Moore Memorial Shield, and the High Gun trophy, all won at Renmark. At the Barmera Gun Club he won the Riverland Single Barrel Championship, the Club Skeet Championship, the Barmera Grand Christmas Handicap, the South Australian Sportsgoods Handicap, the M. S. McLeod Double Rise Handicap, Patron Germein Double Rise Handicap and six High Gun Taipan Trophies.

In his own club, Robert's wins include the Single Barrel Championship, the Captain's Trophy for the Skeet Handicap, the Christmas Turkey Handicap, the Fisher Firearms Skeet Handicap and five club High Gun trophies. He also won the Loxton Double Barrel Championship and has received ACTA Badges for two 50 Breaks in Skeet shooting and one 50 break for Trap Shooting.

All these events have been won against intra and interstate competitors, a very meritorious and prestigious performance, especially by such a young sportsman, as most gun clubs throughout Australia contain many keen and experienced shooters.

Other nominations for the Award were Ken l'Anson from the Waikerie Motor Cycle and Sporting Car Club, Lester Lawrie, the Waikerie Cricket Club, Malcolm Jinks, Waikerie Gliding Club, Barry Harden, Golf Club, Jeff Wilson, Ramco Football Club, Gary Pursche, Amateur Basketball Association, Ross Lehmann, Bowling Club and Kym Lehmann, nominated by the Football Club and Tennis Club as their individual Champion respectively.

Guest speaker for the night was Jim Hardy of America Cup fame as well-known for his sailing prowess as for the Black Bottle Brandy made by his firm, Thos. Hardy and Son.

Jim is Manager of the Sydney branch of the famous South Australian wine firm, and his tales of participation in sailing races in England as well as the America Cup was listened to with complete silence, a genuine tribute by an audience which did not include another yachtsman.

## PAST PRESIDENT JOHN TYQUIN HEADS UP ADVERTISING BODY

It was reported in a recent issue of "Advertising News", a useful fortnightly publication specialising in news from the media industry, that John Tyquin has been re-elected for the fifth year as President of the Outdoor Advertising Association of Australia.

John, who is the Senior Executive of Australian Posters, first registered with the Australian Clay Target Association in January 1939, giving him almost 40 years of service. He was elected to the office of President on March 12th 1961 and served 8 years in that position until March 1969, when Gordon Hall was elected to the Chair.

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## QUEENSLAND

**BRISBANE, 30-10-77** — Hot 29°C (30). 20t DB Hcp: H. J. Potts 20-20, I. Hawkwood 30-31, B. Angel 29-31; best 11-14m C. Wheatley 26-27. S.E.Q. Pts C'ship 20t 16m: OA G. H. Burke 59-60, 'A' G. J. Eldridge 89-90, 'B' C. Camilleri 56-60, 'C' C. Goodchild 65-69. 20t DB SS Hcp: 4 shooters shared with 20-20 Ross Chapman, B. Flint, I. Hawkwood, J. Laspina. 9 trophy event 20t 16m SB: 'A' J. Tainsh 19-20, D. Dibartolomeo 18-20, E. Mende 18-20; 'B' G. Burke 18-20, S. Jackson 17-20, C. Camilleri 17-20; 'C' R. Chapman 19-20, H. J. Potts 18-20, R. Matheson 18-20. High Gun: Ross Chapman 76-80.

**BRISBANE, 16-11-77** — Fine and windy (night shoot) (33). 15t DB SS 16m: 8 shooters shared N. C. Keidge, M. Gough, J. Porter, N. Bullimore, L. Harden, A. Yannuccelli, P. Clarkson, J. S. Kelly. S.E.Q. DD C'ship 10pr 20m: John Porter and Peter Freeleagus 18-18pr, David Evans and Paul Clarkson 17-18pr. 10pr DR SS 16m: 3 shooters shared P. Freeleagus 19-20, D. Mittlestadt 18-20, D. Evans 17-20.

**BRISBANE, 20-11-77** — Sket - sunny and warm 29° (36). 25t Graded Hcp SS: 0-2 M. Cristina, G. Mawer, A. Sceresini; 3-5 C. Wheatley, D. Bullimore, Doc Middleton, B. Flint, A. Rossetti; 6-10 S. Crisafulli, Mrs Chris Payne. 25t Hcp Trophy: D. Bullimore, B. Flint, S. Crisafulli. Kriskringle Sket Event: Ray Porter 43-43, Tom Pascoe 41-43, G. Nelis 33-34.

Congratulations go to G. Nelis on winning the High Gun off-the-gun with a score of 71-75 and Denis Bullimore on winning the High Gun Handicap score to count, with a score of 65-75.

**BUNDABERG, 29 & 30-10-77** — Perfect (195). State Team Elim. 30t Pts: R. A. Dean, R. Lowry, P. Freeleagus, M. Barton, G. McClymont, C. Witt, A. Bott, D. Smith, L. Bell, W. Stevens, N. Gowland, R. J. Wright, N. Bullimore, E. Kath, R. Bryant. 30t SB Wide Bay C'ship: OA E. Hawkins, 'A' E. Hawkins, 'B' B. Falco, 'C' T. Cavanagh. 30t DB Calcutta CD: A. Lord, M. Bell, N. Fluerty, L. Wilcox, R. Lowry, Bev Grice, G. Bell; 11-14 G. K. Watson, C. Green, C. Cavanagh, W. Warner, G. Gaylard, J. Milfie; 15-17 F. Pauza, E. Kath, R. Knapp, M. Elliott, G. Barker, D. Robinson, J. Trott, D. Pietzner; 18-20 J. Austin, R. Bryant; 21-25 D. Smith, R. Pennisi. 30t Pts Winchester Tournament: D. Smith, C. Witt, R. Cavanagh, D. Evans, R. Duffy, B. Stolzberg, R. Bryant, M. Champney, Ray Porter, C. A. McClymont; best 11-25 G. Stolzberg; best lady Sandra May; best junior G. Stolzberg. 30t DB Wide Bay C'ship: OA Ray Lowry, 'A' Ray Lowry, 'B' B. Stolzberg, 'C' R. Cavanagh. Overall High Gun 11-16 Bev Grice, 17-25 R. Bryant.

Excellent weekend with several records set. Best ever attendance at Bundaberg. 195 shooters. Best ever attendance for the state team elimination and best ever for the Winchester tournament previous record 137. Ern Hawkin, Ron Porter, Sep Stewart, Noel Massey and Arthur Kenna were among the distinguished-guests and this would be another record to have all the committeemen at one shoot. Because of shortage of time events 5 and 6 were shot together and the money saved on clays was returned to the shooter as sweepstakes.

**BUNDABERG, 14-11-77** — Perfect (32). 20t DB off 16m: R. Duffy, M. Elliott, B. Theille. 20t SB off 16m: H. Mitchell, R. Duffy, J. Johnson. 10t DB Pts off Hcp: B. Theille, D. Taylor, K. Lorberg. 10pr DR: A. Aitchison, J. Collins, L. Cairns.

Good conditions made shooting enjoyable. The club championship was shot in conjunction with the first two events and was won for the second consecutive year by Ray Duffy.

**BURDEKIN, 8 & 9-10-77** — Windy (67). Sat. - N.Q. Sket C'ship: P. Bonato (Burd) 25-25, C. Sinclair (Tvl) 25-25, J. Scalia (Burd) 25-25. 15t DB Hcp \$100: G. Zanussi, R. Escriva, M. Nicolaides, L. Populin (all Burd) 15-15. Twin Towns C'ship 20t DB 16m: R. Collinson (Burd) 'B' & OA, N. Sinclair (Tvl) 'A', M. Pearson (Tvl) 'C'.

Sat. Night - C'wealth Night SB C'ship 40t 20m: L. Populin (Burd) 33-40, R. Collinson (Burd) 32-40, R. Falco (Burd) 31-40.

Sun. - 15t DB \$100 Hcp: S. Nicolaides (Burd) 15-15, N. Bell (C.T.) 14-15, G. Milani, G. Bell, J. R. Groves, R. Falco, T. Laspina, P. Hawkins, R. Escriva 13-15. Burdekin DD 20pr 18m C'ship: L. Populin and R. Mau (Burd) 19-20, N. Benson & R. Boscacci (Tvl) 16-20. Angus Smith Sports Store Trophy 20t DB: M. Nicolaides (Burd) 20-20, R. Escriva (Burd) 19-20, L. Catanzaro (Burd) 18-20. 20t DB \$200 Hcp: R. Ahern & G. Milani (19-20), 3rd 9 divided. 20t SB \$200 Hcp: M. Bell (C.T.) 19-20, J. Zanussi (Burd) 19-20, D. Adcock (Burd) 18-20.

Congratulations to Pio Bonato and Charlie Sinclair for their 60 unbroken and 59 break at sket.

**BURDEKIN, 13-11-77** — Ideal (57). Burdekin Mixed Tgts C'ship: Noel Maltby (P.D.) 21-25, Ray Collinson (Burd) 20-25, Geoff Sharp (C.T.) 20-25. Burdekin DR C'ship 16m 10prs: Len Catanzaro (Burd) 18-20 OA & 'C', Ray Collinson (Burd) 17-20 'A', Barry Malone (P.D.) 17-20 'B'. Inter Club Teams Shield Event: Burdekin team of Ray Collinson, Arthur Collinson, Max Nicolaides, Steve Nicolaides and Ralph Escriva 278 points out of 300. 10t DB Hcp: possibles were G. Bell (C.T.), Mrs Pat Hawkins, A. Kelly, G. Zanussi, P. Fyhn and S. Nicolaides (all Burdekin). 10t DB 25m event: possibles were Des Evans (Tvl) and Ray Falco (Burd).

**CHARLEVILLE, 8-10-77** — Fine (25). Warrego District DB C'ship 20t: 'A' N. Chandler 18-20, 'B' B. King 18-20, 'C' & OA W. Bradhauer 19-20. Warrego Dist SB C'ship 20t: 'A' & OA W. Chandler 18-20, 'B' B. King 17-20, 'C' D. Davidson 17-20. Qld. State Mini Tgts DB 30t: 'A' T. Akers 29-30, 'B' W. Holmes 28-30, 'C' K. Lynam 26-30. 10pr DR: W. Holmes 19-20, B. King 18-20, D. Turnbull 17-20. \$100 Night Cont. Hcp 20t: divided J. McDougal, B. Kind, I. East, P. Bradhauer, W. Holmes, K. Lynam, W. Chandler, D. Turnbull.

Thanks to all members and shooters for a very good day. We hope to iron out our trap problems before our Christmas shoot. Hope to see you all at this shoot again.

**CHARTERS TOWERS, 5-11-77** — Clear (56). 20t DB \$100 Hcp: 20t J. Schafer and M. Bell. 10t SB Hcp Team Shoot: Mt Isa - A. Lord, N. J. Wright, R. J. Wright, B. Lord, M. J. Donald. 20t DB \$100 Hcp: 20t W. Nioa, G. Sharp, G. Zanussi.

Night - North Queensland Night DB C'ship 20t DB 16m A B C: 'A' W. Eggerstedt, 'B' D. Guy, 'C' A. Lord. OA Champion was A. Lord (Mt Isa).

**CHARTERS TOWERS, 6-11-77** — Clear (74). 10t DB Hcp: P. Bonato, B. Malone, J. Schafer, B. Fairbrothers, M. J. Donald, G. Sharp, W. Nioa, K. Peace, S. Shonenburg, R. Escriva, J. Brownson, N. Benson, K. Wyld. 15t SB Hcp \$50 Trophy: J. Brownson, A. Lord, G. Zanussi. 40t DB Hcp: 40t M. Nicholadies, 39t A. Ford, 38t S. Shonenburg, R. Sadds, R. J. Wright, P. Bell, C. Fanning, D. Adcock. 20t DB 16m A B C: 'A' A. Kenna, 'B' D. Killick, 'C' P. Noonan.

**ETON-MACKAY, 12-11-77** — Fine, hot, strong gusty winds (30). 5t SB EO 16m: Mrs C. Nielsen, P. Vella, T. Williams, H. Kraut, J. Maloy all possibles. 20t SB 16m Graded: 'A' T. Walker 19-20, 'B' J. Maloy 18-20, 'C' M. Pietzner 20-20; OA winner M. Pietzner. 20t DB Hcp: P. Camilleri, J. Hume, D. Ross, H. Kraut, P. Vella all 20-20. 20t DB Pts: D. Ross, P. Vella both 60-60; 3rd P. Camilleri 59-60.

**ETON-MACKAY, 13-11-77** — Fine and hot, strong gusty winds (34). 20t DB 16m Graded: 'A' T. Walker, 'B' J. Shorthouse, 'C' P. Camilleri; OA T. Walker. 30t DB Hcp: 1st D. Takagaki 30-30; 2nd S. Whitehead, L. Vella, P. Vella, P. Vella, N. Quince, D. Ross, D. Casagrande. 20t DB Hcp President's Trophy: shot off by 9 people P. Camilleri, T. Ryan, D. Pietzner (Miss). 10pr DR 16m: C. Pietzner and M. Pietzner 17-20; J. Hume, T. Walker, J. Shorthouse 16-20.

# TOOWOOMBA GUN CLUB

## EASTER SHOOT

Friday, Sat., Sun, March '78  
24th, 25th, 26th

4 TRAP LAYOUTS

Friday 24th 2 p.m. —  
PRACTICE SWEEPSTAKES

Saturday 25th —  
ev. 1 — DOUBLE BARREL C'SHIP  
ev. 2 — \$500 CASH HCP.  
ev. 3 — HCP TROPHY

Sunday 26th —  
ev. 4 — DB PTS C'SHIP  
ev. 5 — \$1,000 CASH HCP  
ev. 6 — PRESIDENTS HCP TROPHY

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# BALLANDEAN GUN CLUB BALLANDEAN

(South-East Queensland)

Queensland Section  
of  
Interstate Trap  
Teams Match

20th, 21st MAY

Details Later.

In event 2, the \$350 Handicap was won by a 16-year-old, David Takagaki, this being his first year shooting, a truly magnificent effort David and your club "salutes" you. In event 3, Presidents Trophy was a 9 shooters shoot-off, interesting to watch the young new shooters eliminating the "oldies" and settle down to a long battle of "youth". Trevor Ryan (18 years) ended with 101 straight and second place Peter Camilleri (17 year) with 87 straight and 3rd place Miss D. Pietzner (18 years) with 61 straight. Terrific shooting kids, your Club is really proud of you all.

**GLADSTONE, 30-10-77** — Fine and warm (55). 10t SB EO Hcp: R. James from the Rockhampton Nine Mile Club shot the possible to take out this event and earn 1 metre — 11 others shooters finished with 9-10. 20t SB 16m: K. Midgley first with 18 followed by J. J. McKeough and D. Burns with 17. Kieth also received the Club Championship Trophy. 20t DB off Hcp: Junior shooter B. Busted managed to take out both the points and kills championships after a shoot-off from L. Busby, D. Burns and K. Busted. Well done Brad! 10 x 2 DR off 16m: This event was shared between L. Murphy (Nine Mile), B. Dalton and L. Busby all with 16-20. Barry Dalton won the Club Championship after a shoot-off. 20 x 2 DD off 20m: D. Kelly and B. Smart teamed well to take out this event and win the Club Championship from R. James and I. Wonn (Nine Mile) with 5 other teams close behind. Extra Event 10t Walk Back: This event was shared between R. McLean, D. Shaw, B. Dalton, B. MacKay, R. Hannah and K. Busted all with 9-10.

A good turn up of members and an excellent days shoot. Scores were a little disappointing perhaps it can be put down to the fact that members are not used to shooting in such perfect conditions. The club wishes to thank visiting shooters from Rockhampton Nine Mile and the Rockhampton Club for their support. The High Gun was won by D. Burns with 51-60.

**IPSWICH, 6-11-77** — Overcast, grey skies (40). 25t Skeet 55: R. Banks, G. Chapman, P. Freeleagus, D. Bullimore, N. Wade, R. Chapman, A. Page 25-25. 20t DB 16m: R. Porter, D. Bullimore, R. Lowry, J. Porter, R. Chapman, P. Freeleagus W. Stevens, N. Bullimore 20-20. 20t DB Hcp: D. Bullimore, B. Flint, G. Burke, L. James 20-20. Club Mixed C'ship: 'A' J. Porter 33-36, 'B' G. Mawer 17-20, 'C' B. Mundt 22-28. 20t DB Pts Trophy Hcp: A. Page 59-60, M. Gaffney 58-63, G. Chapman 55-63. High Gun: L. James.

Targets were very hard to see with the cloud cover and scores were not high although all events were keenly contested and all shooters had a ton of fun. Once again Les James showed his class by winning the High Gun trophy.

**IPSWICH, 19-11-77** — Overcast, breezy (20). 20t DB 20t SB 20t DB Pts 16m: OA J. Porter (Bris); 'A' N. Gowland (Toowoomba), N. Bullimore (Bris); 'B' G. Stevens (Ipswich), D. Bullimore (Bris); 'C' B. Flint (Bris), R. Chapman (Ips.). 10t DB 10t SB 18m: N. Gowland, J. Tainsh (Lismore), 3rd B. Flint, B. Mundt, J. Porter, W. Durham. Qld DB Pts Night C'ship: 'A' & OA J. Tainsh (Lismore), 'B' D. Bullimore, 'C' G. T. Hunt (Ipswich); 11-13m Trophy: M. MacDermott (Toowoomba).

A most disappointing attendance for afternoon and night shoot considering almost \$400 trophy value. However those who did attend had a great time. Many thanks to Mrs Rae Mittelstadt for wonderful donation of chess set, conservatively valued at \$100. Congratulations to Jeff Tainsh on winning Qld DB Pts night championship in a shoot-off with Bill Stevens.

**MT. ISA, 9-10-77** — Fine, hot, windy (41). 5t DB Pts off Hcp: L. C. Wilcocks, P. Sowden, P. Baron, J. Bulfin, G. Buerchler, J. Storch, G. Casley, M. Byrne, R. Burton, J. Newman possibilities 15-15. Club Perpetual Trophy 30t DB Pts off Hcp: V. Vrashtil 89-90, A. Fenk 88-90; best 11m Shooter N. Filopolous 86-90; best 12-14m K. Foord 86-90; Oswald/Roseberry Lady Trophy won by B. Lord 10-10. 15t DB off hcp: K. Wyld, P. Sowden, N. Brockling, K. Jensen 15-15. 5t DB off hcp: K. Wyld, N. Filopolous, V. Vrashtil, F. Pauza, G. Casley, J. Newman 5-5. Nth West Qld Night W-U C'ship: M. Donald 18-20, A. Lord 17-20, F. Pauza 16-20; best 11m A. Wilcocks 14-20; best 12-14m P. Sowden and J. Bulfin 12-20.

Congratulations to Murray Donald for his win in the Walk-Up Championship. This event is always a hard one to win. Mrs Lord won the Lady's Trophy and is now leading in the Aggregate. Attendance down on September Shoot. We miss our Gunpowder members.

**MOUNT ISA, 11-8-77** — Fine with slight breeze (51). 5t DB Pts: D. Bryant, R. Rockett, N. Williamson, N. Kuskopf, M. Donald, A. Edmondson, J. Newman, J. Hart, J. Campbell, T. Kittila, S. Linton, H. Kavanagh, B. Hart, J. Storch possibilities with 15-15. 20t Mt Isa G.C. DB Cont. C'ship: J. Hart 27-28, F. Pauza 26-28, C. Selke 20-21; best 11m N. Filopolous; best 12-15m L. C. Wilcocks. 5t SB off 16m: P. Sowden, P. Baron, N. Kuskopf, M. Donald, J. Newman, J. Hart, P. Leddick, R. Burton, A. Lord, B. Hart, G. Burchler possibilities 5-5. Club Perpetual Trophy 30t SB off Hcp: J. Hart 27-30, J. Storch 27-31; best 11m A. Borks; best 12m-14m N. Kuskopf; Oswald/Roseberry Trophy shot in Conj, best lady shooter Mrs B. Lord 8-10. High Gun: J. Hart 57-60.

Our committee was most pleased with our attendance at this September Shoot. However with the closure of the copper mine at Gun Powder regrettably we will lose about 11 members, as these shooters are travelling to Tasmania and Western Australia looking for employment. Frankie Pauza one of our junior shooters, was unlucky not to win the Championship. However it won't be long before Frankie wins his first championship badge.

**MURGOON, 6-11-77** — Hot and windy storms (25). 20t DB Hcp: K. Frahm 20-20, R. Cavanagh (Gympie) 24-25, G. Harvey 23-25. 20t SB Bye C'ship: 'A' & OA S. Angel 20-20, 'B' T. Hansen 27-30, 'C' W. Newcombe 18-21. 20t Boat Mtn. DB Cont. C'ship: 'A' & OA B. Rowsell 32-33, 'B' J. Taylor 20-21, 'C' J. Hayne 27-28. 10pr DR 16m: M. Tipman 17-20, K. Frahm 16-20, J. Hayne 15-20. High Gun: S. Angel.

**PORT DENISON, 22-10-77** — Warm, calm (45). 10t SB Hcp: S. Archidiacono (Cairns) 10-10, L. Bishop, F. Bonano, L. Falco, A. Maltby 9-10. 20t Pt Denison SB C'ship: 'A' C. Haller 19-20, 'B' F. Bonano 17-20, 'C' S. Archidiacono 20-20. 10t DR off 16m: H. Smith (Townsville) 18-20. 4pr DD off 18m: D. Catelan and S. Archidiacono after a nine-way shoot off.

Junior trophy, conducted on event 3, donated by N. C. and J. E. Maltby, won by Ian Andersen 16-20.

**PORT DENISON, 23-10-77** — Warm, windy (57). 10t DB off 16m: N. Maltby, G. Bosnich, R. Menso, J. Scalia, R. Facey, F. Bonano, L. DeMaria, F. Guerra, L. Bishop, A. Kenna, D. LeBlowitz, R. Catelan, R. Russo, G. Anderson, S. Archidiacono 10-10. 20t DB Hcp: R. Sappupo (Cairns) 20-20, J. Pappalardo (Burdekin) 20-20. 20t DB PS "Delegate's Team Shield": Burdekin team of R. Falco, F. Bonano, L. Falco, J. Scalia, A. Collinson 264-300. 20t DB Hcp "Blackman Mem. Shield": P. Noonan (Charters Towers) 20-20, J. Pappalardo (Burdekin) 19-20, I. Carty (Cairns) 19-20.

Shooters attended from Cairns, Silkwood, Charters Towers, Herbert River, Townsville and Burdekin Gun Clubs, which was very pleasing to see. Saturday night saw a meeting of delegates of clubs attending.

**ROCKHAMPTON, 15-10-77** — Fine (26). 10t SB: M. Docherty 9-10, tie 2nd J. Watson, H. Milner, D. Robinson, V. Thomas, R. Smithwick, W. Warner, J. Cingle, A. Powell, W. McLeod, J. Lacey 8-10. 20t DB (kills): tie 1st G. Huff and W. McLeod 20-20, tie 2nd J. Watson, A. Powell, J. Lacey 19-20. 20t DB (pts): tie 1st R. Smithwick, J. Lacey, D. Wust 60-60.

**ROCKHAMPTON, 6-11-77** — Hot (31). 15t DB (kills): D. Robinson 15-15, W. McKeough 15-15 (G'stone), G. Wagner 15-15. Doug won the event after a 38t shoot-off. 20t DB (pts): H. Milner 60-60, D. Robinson 59-60, W. McLeod 59-60. 15t Medley: R. Smithwick 15-15, A. Powell 15-15, G. Huff 14-15, 10pr DR: G. Wagner 18-20, tie 2nd J. Lacey, G. Whitfield, W. McLeod 17-20.

High Gun won outright by R. Smithwick 50-50. Congratulations to D. Robinson on receiving his 75 break badge and W. McKeough (G'stone) for his 50 break badge. Both shooters received a metre for their excellent shooting on the day. Christmas Shoot Saturday 17th December 3 p.m. Free BBQ, Novelty Events, Triple Rise, Silent Rise, Sit Down, Swap Guns. All shooters welcome.

# SOUTH BURNETT KINGAROY GUN CLUB (Affiliated A.C.T.A.) ANNUAL 2 DAY SHOOT AND WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT

Sat. and Sun., 25th & 26th February, 1978  
**SATURDAY 25th FEBRUARY**  
12 a.m.

Event 1 Nom. \$7.00

**30T DB HANDICAP  
STH BURNETT DIST C'SHIP**  
Trophy 1st, 2nd & 3rd.

Best 11 & 12 metre shooters Opt \$1 Sweep on ea 10t.

Event 2 Nom. \$10.00

**30T POINTS HANDICAP**  
Trophy 1st, 2nd & 3rd.

**CALCUTTA and DINNER  
SATURDAY NIGHT**

**SUNDAY 26th FEBRUARY**  
9 a.m.

Event 1 Nom. \$15.00

**\$600 CALCUTTA HANDICAP  
30 TGT DOUBLE BARREL**  
\$200 for each 15 targets. \$200 Overall.

Event 2 Nom. \$18.00

**WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT  
30 TGT DOUBLE BARREL  
OFF 16 METRES**

Event 3 Nom. \$7.00

**30 T DB CONTINENTAL  
OFF 16 METRES**  
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**ROMA, 19-11-77** — Perfect (16). 10t SB Hcp: V. Tipman 10-10. 15t DB Hcp DB: B. Harris, A. McNaught 15-15. 15t DB Pts 16m: B. Bryant 44-45, R. Dean, R. Cross, G. Bryant 42-45. Novelty Event: C. Reid, B. Bryant, R. Dean. 5pr DR: G. Bryant, R. Cross 8-10.

**SOUTH BURNETT, 6-11-77** — Hot and windy, late storms (38). 20t DB C'ship Pts: D. Campbell 60-60, S. Horn 59-60, M. Champney 57-60; best 11-12m P. McDonald 54-60. 15t DB SS Pts: 1st and 2nd shared R. Knapp, G. Cairns 44-45; 3rd W. Priddey 42-45. 15t SB SS Hcp: 1st & 2nd shared J. Rodden, D. Schultz 14-15; 3rd shared R. Knapp, W. Priddey, S. Horn 13-15. High Gun: R. Knapp 48-50.

Attendance of 38, under the conditions was very rewarding. Visitors from Moore, Toogoolawah, Woolloga and Yarraman helped swell the numbers. Pleased to welcome the secretary Geoff Innes from Langland Gun Club, Victoria. Carl Price demonstrated his versatility on a Yamaha in front of the clubhouse during the presentations. The late storms, very helpful after such a long dry spell, marred the last event, but the follow-up rain (we hope) will be worth millions to the district.

**SUNSHINE COAST, 20-11-77** — Sunny (50). 20t SB Hcp Club Jackpot: B. Nelis (Bris) 18-20, G. Stolberg (Gympie) 18-20, F. Hall (S.C.G.C.) 17-20, T. Hansen (Murgon) 17-20, K. McKee (S.C.G.C.) 17-20, G. Napier (S.C.G.C.) 17-20, J. Jones (S.C.G.C.) 17-20, G. Newey (Warwick) 17-20, B. Moore (S.C.G.C.) 17-20. Pummicestone Passage C'ship 50t DB 16m: OA winner K. McKee (S.C.G.C.) 68-69, 11-15m Q. Porfiri (S.C.G.C.) 47-50, 16-20m G. Napier (S.C.G.C.) 49-50, 21-25m S. Angel (Murgon) 67-69. S.C.G.C. Mixed Tgts C'ship 30t 16m: OA winner B. Nelis (Bris) 50-30, 'A' N. Bullimore (Bris) 49-30, 'B' T. Hansen (Murgon) 47-27, 'C' Q. Porfiri (S.C.G.C.) 47-23.

High Gun overall went to Greg Newey from Warwick with a score of 95-100. Inter High Gun went to Quinto Porfiri from Sunshine Coast with a score of 92-100. Congratulations to Keith McKee on winning the deep freezer after a shoot-off. Barry Nelis also shot well winning the table lamp. Congratulations also to Q. Porfiri and G. Stolberg on gaining a metre.

**WANDOAN, 20-11-77** — Fine (14). 20t DB 16m: K. Eames, 2nd divide C. Bolt, K. Williams. 20t DB Pts off hcp: R. McMillan, C. Pulford, G. Watson (Chinchilla). 10pr DR 16m: G. Watson (Chinchilla), 2nd divide K. Eames, R. McMillan. Novelty: C. Bolt, 2nd divide C. Pulford, K. Williams, G. Watson.

**WARWICK, 2-10-77** — Fine (28). 20t DB Hcp: D. Bartley, D. Cox. 20t Warwick Points Championship: OA and J. J. Crothers Memorial Trophy - S. Bartley; 'A' P. Allars, 'B' M. Osborne, 'C' R. Atkins. 10t SB SS: shared by W. Zupp, P. McGuckin, D. Cox, P. Nielsen, R. Atkins.

A very enjoyable shoot with visitors from Toowoomba, Ballandean and Lismore. It was good to see the members of the Crothers family present and we thank them for their continued support. High Gun for the day was Scott Bartley and best FM Peter Nielsen.

**WARWICK, 6-11-77** — Fine and windy (31). Southern Downs Pts C'ship: OA W. Durham, 'A' R. Middleton, 'B' N. Baker, 'C' C. Goodchild. Warwick DR C'ship: OA & 'B' W. Durham, 'A' P. Allars, 'C' F. Fiechtner. 10t Pts SS: shared by D. Deluca, P. Allars, C. Ricca.

It was very nice to have visitors from Toowoomba, Ballandean and Lismore. Wayne Durham had a very good day winning both championships and just to top it off his son won the raffle. Frank Fiechtner won his first trophy taking out the 'C' grade in the Double Rise. Colin Goodchild won the High Gun for the day and best FM was again a very consistent Peter Nielsen.

## Record Attendance at '77 Queensland Trap Team's Match

The biggest ever entry in a Queensland Teams' match assembled at Bundaberg Gun Club on 29th October. Included in the program was a round of the Winchester Tournament, which also attracted a record entry of 173 shooters.

A total of 195 shooters competed over two days.



**BACK ROW:** Len Kirby Patron Bundaberg Club, G. McClymont Brisbane, C. Witt, Doug Smith Brisbane, Richard Dean Roma, Alan Bott Maryborough, Gordon Doblo President Bundaberg Club.

**SECOND ROW:** R. Bryant Roma, Noel Bullimore Brisbane, R. J. Wright Winton, Peter Freeleagus Brisbane, Earl Kath Maryborough, Ern Hawkins President A.C.T.A.

**FRONT ROW:** Bell Charters Towers, Max Barton, Bill Stevens Brisbane, Ray Lowry Brisbane, N. Gowan.

# MURGON GUN CLUB

**Murgon, Queensland 4605  
ANNUAL SHOOT  
SATURDAY 4th, SUNDAY 5th,  
FEBRUARY, 1978**

## Saturday 1 p.m. —

Event 1

**30 TARGET MURGON DB  
CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Graded A B C

Event 2

**30 TARGET MURGON D.B.  
POINTS CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Graded A B C  
BBQ ON GROUNDS

Event 3

**20 TARGET MURGON D.B.  
NIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Graded A B C

Event 4

**20 TARGET MURGON S.B.  
NIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Graded A B C

## Sunday 9 a.m. —

Event 5

**30 TARGET D.B. 16m**  
Graded A B C

Event 6

**30 TARGET S.B.  
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Graded A B C

Event 7

**\$600.00 EVENT  
40 TARGETS D.B. 16 m**  
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# Winchester Tournament at Townsville Gun Club attracts big crowd — 19th and 20th November, 1977

(From Daphne Leeds)

A very successful Shoot was held at the Townsville Gun Club on 19th and 20th November. Visitors from throughout Queensland attended, and as far afield as Darwin and New Guinea. A really terrific crowd of people. Attendance was round about 140 shooters, actually there were more than this, but some entered only to have a shot to see what it was all about. 98 shot in the two skeet events on Saturday. The only real problem associated with this Shoot was the heat, and this will be solved next year when our major shoot will be in June, in our Tourist Winter weather.

The weekend actually started with a Trench practice shoot on Friday afternoon, on our recently installed 15 trap trench system. This proved very popular, and when I left the grounds at 5.30 p.m., squad 15 was shooting. Many shooters drove quite a few miles to shoot Trench, then home again, to return next day with their families to stay the weekend. Next year our camping grounds will have to be extended I'm sure, to accommodate not only the visiting shooters and families but all the locals who stay down for the weekend under canvas. On to the results:—

On Saturday Event One was 25 target Skeet Sweepstakes, shared by 37 shooters on handicap. Only possibles were shot by K. Stephens (Brisbane), P. Fyhn, L. Falco (Burdekin) and J. Wilkinson of Townsville.

Event Two, the Queensland State Skeet Championship of 25 targets was won by K. Bowring (Darwin) 1st, R. Lovelady (T'ville) 2nd, and K. Stephens (Brisbane) 3rd, after shoot-off with C. Sinclair, T. Comerford and J. Brunskill all of T'ville. First 25 Skeet break for Joe Brunskill.

Event Three was a 20 target DB Trophy and was won by J. Hart (Mt Isa) 1st, R. Lowry (Brisbane) 2nd, and G. Bell (Charters Towers) 3rd after shoot-off. The Ladies trophy was won by N. Sciacca (Silkwood).

Event Four a \$500 handicap, was shared by J. Miguel (Silkwood), K. Bowring (Darwin), P. Bell (Charters Towers), S. Schonenberg (Burdekin) and G. Kimber (T'ville).

This event was followed by a barbecue tea and in the cool of the evening — a relief after the heat of the day — the Commonwealth Night D/Rise Championship of 20 pair was shot. Winners were Overall - P. Freeleagus (Brisbane) 36-40, A Grade - G. Buerchler (Mt Isa) 29-40, B Grade - K. Peace (Charters Towers) 32-40, C Grade - D. Casagrande (Dysart) 31-40.

Sunday was another hot, still day. The first event was the Killifmoon Double Barrel Championship of 20 targets. Here we had 14 possibles. D. Killick, D. Guy, M. Bell (Charters Towers); G. Reeves, K. Janes, D. Evens, G. Kimber, T. Wellington (T'ville); I. Williams (Ravenshoe); R. Falco (Burdekin); L. DeMaria (Silkwood); K. Stephens (Brisbane); R. Wilson (Port Denison); S. Barton (Port Moresby). After a lengthy shoot-off the winners were:— R. Wilson (Port Denison) 1st; D. Guy (Charters Towers) 2nd; G. Reeves (T'ville) 3rd.

Winchester Tournament. 10 competitors shot 30, so no one was eliminated, only had to shoot-off for the 10 prizes. 1st P. Fyhn (Burdekin), 2nd K. Peace (Charters Towers), 3rd T. Kittala (Mt Isa), 4th M. Nicolaides (Burdekin), 5th K. Jones (T'ville). The five minor places were filled by H. Smith, N. Benson (T'ville); P. Vella (Silkwood); R. Collinson (Burdekin); M. Barton (Brisbane). Best Lady - C. Neilsen (Mackay) 26-30; Best Junior - M. Nicolaides (Burdekin) 30-30.

The Fred Blackman Memorial Shield and Trophy of 10 targets SB was won by G. Kimber (T'ville) 1st; R. Menso (Burdekin) 2nd; and L. Carty (T'ville) 3rd.

The High Gun over the entire weekend went to P. Freeleagus of Brisbane.

## South Australian Clay Target Assn.

A meeting of the South Australian Clay Target Association was held in the Clubrooms of the S.A. Gun Club on 3rd December 1977, which attracted an attendance of six Clubs. This is a disappointing show of support for an Association which has the mammoth task of organizing the 1978 National Championships.

The future of the National Association is very heavily dependent on strong State Associations — this will be even more so after the proposed changes to the National Constitution are implemented.

So what is wrong with Clubs in South Australia? Is it true that the shooters who make up these Clubs don't care? This is NOT the case! I have met and spoken with a number of South Australian shooters in the past twelve months to know that there is more interest in the development of our sport now than ever before. So why the poor attendance? Possibly the problem is connected with distances to be travelled by Club Delegates — or another possibility is that the State Association is progressing so effectively that member clubs feel there is no need for them to be involved. Maybe a reason is lack of motivation or break-down in communications. As an "outsider" I cannot provide the answers. However, I am strongly suggesting that Clubs in South Australia take a good hard look at the situation — as was stated earlier, the future of the A.C.T.A. is heavily dependent on strong, virile, enthusiastic State Associations.

In spite of the above comments, it is to the credit of the very willing workers involved in the planning of the 1978 Nationals that the series look like being the biggest and the best ever.

N. J. SOUTHEY.



## SOUTH AUSTRALIA

**ALEXANDRA, 6-11-77** — Fine and windy (48). Club 50t Skeet C'ship: OA J. Sumner 87-89, 0-1 J. Hutchings 86-89, 2-4 R. Surfield 45-50, 5-10 D. Price 40-50, 20t SB C'ship: 'A' J. Pope OA 19-20, G. Loveband 18-21; 'B' S. Newcombe 23-26, P. Baxter 22-26; 'C' B. Evans 18-20, B. Mender 18-21. 20t DB C'ship: 'A' & OA L. Martin 41-41, T. Evans 98-97; 'B' M. Fletcher 41-42, P. Baxter 40-42; 'C' B. Evans, J. Fleetwood 20-21. High Gun of the day: J. Sumner 83-90. OA M. Weston.

**BORDERTOWN, 15-10-77** — Fine, cloudy (55). 20t Sportsgoods Hcp: Ashley Draper 38-38, G. Todd 37-38, C. Holt 21-22. 20t SB C'ship: F. Taylor 'A' & OA, R. Ritchie, P. Sheridan; 'B' V. Beyer, J. Bull, J. Wagg; 'C' J. Hinge, G. Todd, T. Mock.

**INTERNATIONAL, 13-11-77** — Hot and windy (101). Anniversary Trench C'ship: OA & 'B' T. E. Evans 48-50; 'A' D. Oliviero 46-50, J. Murphy 44-50; 'B' 2nd M. Fletcher 42-50; 'C' C. W. Moritz 42-50, M. Martini 41-50. Sparrow Bros. Hcp: D. Stefanato 54-54, R. Damin 53-54, A. Dalle-Molle 24-30; FM F. Speechley 25-26; Best lady shooter L. Andrews 16-21. Grand Anniversary Graded Shoot: 'A' R. Mules 32-32, B. Hill 31-32; 'B' B. Arnot 32-33, J. Collwill 31-33; 'C' B. Finch 26-26, R. Damin 25-26. Club Anniversary DB C'ship: 'A' & OA T. E. Evans 22-22, R. Mules 20-21; 'B' W. Moritz 21-22, R. Sanzogni 19-20; 'C' R. Mack 21-22, V. Dimasi 20-23. Taipan High Gun: T. E. Evans 115-120.

**MALLALA, 6-11-77** — Warm (49). 5t EO SS CD: 5-5 W. Trillo, M. Roach, W. Liddycoat, F. Starling, F. Gibson, R. Cook, E. Commons, L. Francis, H. Virgo, D. Brakenridge, J. Ronan, F. Wintulich, B. Greenshield, S. Haydon, P. Jarmyn. 15t Hcp Taipan Trophy: 25-25 B. Finch, 24-25 H. Osley, 19-20 R. Cook. 10t Cont. SS CD: 9-10 F. Starling, A. Hamilton, H. Osley, E. Churches, D. Brakenridge, R. Franks, J. Springbett. 5pr DR SS CD: 7-10 J. Springbett, M. Roach, B. Zanker.

**MANNUM, 23-10-77** — Fine and warm (81). Shell Shield Team Shoot: winning team - South Australian Gun Club members: R. Surfield, P. Mules, R. Mules, R. Wilmhurst, P. Schwerdt 98-100. Anniversary DB C'ship A B C division: OA a 'A' P. Telford 65-65, J. Springbett 64-65; 'B' L. Martin 29-30, V. Beyer 20-20; 'C' P. Grigg 40-41, J. Clark 35-36. Graded Gun Shoot 20t A B C: 'A' J. Springbett 21-21, P. Mules 27-28; 'B' G. Hill 20-20, K. Sandercock 40-41; 'C' R. Dwyer 20-20, N. Johncock 38-39.

Third positions in the Graded Gun Shoot are 'A' Grade 3rd B. Hill 26-28, 'B' Grade 3rd K. Burzacott 44-46, 'C' Grade 3rd D. Humphrey 37-39. High Gun Medallion J. Springbett 70-70.

**MILCENT, 30-10-77** — Fine (38). Mixed Tgt C'ship: M. Whitehead 24-25, L. Megan 29-35, S. Chambers 28-35. Cash Hcp: E. Hunter 19-19, W. Hetherington 18-19, R. Gibbs 17-18.

**MT GAMBIER, 6-11-77** — Fine, slight wind (45). Club SB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA R. Millard, (Tyrendarra) 27-29, P. Telford (Mt Gambier) 26-29; 'B' G. McLeod (Tyrendarra) 24-26, C. Copping (Narracoorte) 23-26; 'C' G. Todd (Millicent) 19-20, L. Clifford (Millicent) 18-20. Club Mini Tgt C'ship: W. Hetherington (Penola) 15-15, F. Somerfield (Mt Gambier) 14-15, P. Telford (Mt Gambier) 22-24. DR SS: W. Hetherington (Penola) 20-20, A. Megaw (Mt Gambier) 19-20, W. Ingledew (Mt Gambier) 18-20 divided.

At this shoot Club President Allan Megaw had much pleasure in presenting veteran shooter Glen Hieght known to most shooters as 'Spot' with his Club Life Membership Badge.

**ROBE, 20-11-77** — Fine and windy (70). 10t EO: 17 possible share sweep money. 20t Dist DB C'ship Graded: 'A' A. McIntyre 39-39, B. Andrews 38-39; 'B' P. Cleggett Snr. 22-23, V. Beyer 22-23; 'C' G. Todd 36-37, D. Beelitz 35-36, 15t DB Cash Hcp: 7 shooters share prizemoney: D. Beelitz, G. Todd, P. Cleggett, P. Sheridan, G. Gibb, J. Clarke, W. Sinclair. High Gun Trophy: conducted over events 2 and 3 won by P. Cleggett Snr. Champion of Champions: to shoot in Christmas shoot Champion of Champs., Bordertown. Won by A. McIntyre.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN, 26-10-77** — Fine warm night (40). 20t Hcp: S. Drawing 20-20, R. Cook 27-28, L. Martin 26-28; FM B. Griggs 17-20, 20t 16m DB: OA R. Cook 20-20, 'A' G. Vandooran 25-27, 'B' J. Turner 19-20, 'C' R. Cook 20-20.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN, 30-10-77** — Cool and dull (64). IMI Aust. Ltd. Components Skeet Hcp: G. Loveband 50-50, W. James 52-54, F. Starling 49-54, Off Gun G. Loveband 32-32, F. Starling 31-32, J. Sumner 25-26. McKenna Sports Hcp: M. Roach 20-20, J. Cunneen 33-34, W. Zimmermann 32-34; FM R. Enright 25-26. Club Pts Score Clay C'ship: OA W. Commons 58-60, 'A' D. Oliviero 56-60, R. Mules 54-60; 'B' W. Commons 59-60, W. Moritz 58-60; 'C' L. Charles 57-60, P. Aromataris 58-63. Tower SS: G. Loveband, E. Stramare 20-20. Super Elliot High Gun: F. Starling 118-125, Taipan 11-13m DTL Aggregate Trophy: S. Drawing 73-80.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN, 2-11-77** — Warm, fine night (35). 5t PS Hcp: F. Atkinson 22-22, S. Drawing 21-22, P. Jennings 18-19, 10t PS C'ship 16m: 'A' L. Martin 30-30, 'B' R. Smith 28-30, 'C' S. Drawing 25-30, 25t C'ship IMI Shield 1st round: OA R. Cook 23-25, 'A' B. Mules 22-25, 'B' R. Cook 23-25, 'C' L. Francis 22-25.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN, 9-11-77** — Cold, windy wet (36). 20t Cash Hcp: L. Francis and D. Stefanata 18-20; 2nd S. Drawing, P. Jennings, L. Martin, R. Cook, G. Campagnolo, I. Lister shared on 17-20. State Night DD C'ship: abandoned due to rain and wind.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN, 16-11-77** — Fine but cool (44). 25t Eley Shield - shot off 15m: OA R. Mack 30-30, 'A' P. Mules 25-25, R. Mules 24-25; 'B' J. Turner 25-25, P. Marcolonni 33-36; 'C' R. Mack 25-25, L. Francis 24-25. State DD: S. Keen, R. Kimber 18-20, G. Hill B. Hill 17-20, R. Cook L. Francis 16-21.

**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN, 20-11-77** — Cool and fine. Skeet Cash Hcp: 7 divided S. Churches, J. Murphy, T. Pascoe, P. Dunk, P. Quire, D. Osborne, G. Hommelhoff. TAA Double Melb. Return Air Fare Hcp: W. James 20-20, R. Mack 20-21, J. Ellis 19-21; FM S. Drawing 61-63. Commonwealth W-U C'ship: OA R. Kimber 35-45; 'A' R. Kimber 35-45, B. Hill 34-45; 'B' J. Ellis 16-25, R. Mack 17-29; 'C' B. Wrapp 17-25, G. Ierace 16-25. Taipan 11-13m DTL Agg. Trophy: G. Ierace 34-45; Super Elliott High Gun: R. Kimber 58-70.

**SOUTHERN, 30-10-77** — Cool, slight breeze (40). EO 5t: 16 divided, 10.0 Graded C'ship 20t: 'B' & badge J. Longbottom 14.0 35-35; 'A' B. Hill 23.0 20-21; 'C' L. Francis 17.0 34-35; Novice W. Kavanagh 11.0 21-28. S.G.C. DD C'ship 20pr: T. Evans B. Evans 26-26, S. Dawe J. Humberstone 25-26.

**UNGARRA, 13-11-77** — Windy (14). Skeet Hcp: D. Smith, M. Curtis, P. Boundy, J. Harrell, J. Baldissera 25 with hcp. 20t DB Hcp: D. Liddicoat and M. Curtis 17-20, P. Boundy & J. Parsons 16-20, 10pr DR: cancelled.

Appalling weather conditions caused the cancellation of the third event on the program. Gale force winds were responsible for impossible targets. Dean Liddicoat and Max Curtis shot well in conditions in winning the DB Handicap.

**WILKAWATT, 9-10-77** — Cool and showery (41). Murray Mallee DB C'ship 20t: R. Wilmshurst 54-54, W. Hayward 53-54, V. Bayer 27-28; Encouragement Jess Orwell 17-20. Taipan Proj. 20t Hcp: V. Bayer 22-22, G. Crettenden 21-22, R. Ritchie 33-33; Encouragement B. Schultz 17-20. PS Night 20t C'ship: I. Bell 59-64, J. Rambe 56-64, D. Plummer 53-60. Taipan High Gun: R. Wilmshurst.

Championship winner to in C of C at Bordertown Christmas Shoot. Many thanks to Taipan Projectiles for donation of trophies. Shooters came from Adelaide, Bordertown, Millicent, Tintinara and Menigie.

**WILKAWATT, 13-11-77** — Warm, sultry and windy (37). 20t Hcp: G. Dinning 27-27, D. Plummer 26-27, P. Best 22-23; Encouragement A. Williams 15-20, 15pr Club DD: P. Best and J. Trowbridge 26-26, R. Cook & L. Francis 25-26, G. Steer & J. Rambe 18-19, 10t Cont. SS: M. Whelan and G. Crettenden.

Good attendance despite weather conditions.

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### SATURDAY, 7th JANUARY

12 noon start

Event 1 25 TGT SKEET S/S C/D Nom. \$5.00

Event 2 S.A. SPORTS GOODS HANDICAP Nom. \$5.00

20 Tgt D.T.L. Opt. Sweeps.

Event 3 25 TGT ANNIVERSARY SKEET C'SHIP Nom. \$6.00

Sash and 1st, 2nd and 3rd Trophies.

TAIPAN HIGH GUN

Afternoon and Barbecue Tea.

### SUNDAY, 8th JANUARY

at 9 a.m.

Event 4 50 TGT ANNIVERSARY SKEET H/C Nom. \$15.00

\$400.00 Trophy Value.

Event 5 STATE DB MINI TARGET C'SHIP Nom. \$8.00

Opt Sweeps. Graded A B C. Sash Overall Winner. 1st and 2nd Trophies each Grade.

Event 6 30 TGT D.T.L. LOCAL PROD. H/C Nom. \$7.00

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28th & 29th JANUARY, 1978

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### SATURDAY, 28th JANUARY

commencing 12 noon

Event 1 20 Tgt CITY OF MT GAMBIER Nom. \$6.00

DOUBLE BARREL C'SHIP

OA winner trophy and sash. Grade winners trophy and cloth badge; 2nd prizes each grade.

Event 2 MONSTER HANDICAP 30 TGT Nom. \$20.00

1st prize \$600 Travel voucher through Dalgety Travel, to be used for trip of winners choice; seven division prizes of \$100 cash; 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18, 19-20, 21-22, 23-25. PORTER SHIELD to be run in CONJ. with this event.

Event 3 STATE SB C'SHIP 30 TGT Nom. \$8.00

Graded 1st & 2nd each grade. Winner trophy & sash.

### SUNDAY, 29th JANUARY

commencing 10.00 a.m.

Event 4 WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT Nom. \$18.00

30 TGTS DB FROM 16 m

1st 1051 Winchester Super X 5 Shot automatic 30" full choke barrel plus spare 26" skeet barrel VALUE \$511. Sash & location winner badge 2nd Little Big Horn 44.40 Commemorative Rifle VALUE \$229. 3rd 140085 Model 1400 auto shotgun (vent rib Winchoke) VALUE \$269. 4th MEC 600 Jnr shotshell re-loader VALUE \$129. 5th No. 25 Trailblazer Gun Bag VALUE \$52. 6th-10th 1000 AA Wads & 1000 AA primers VALUE \$35.

Best 11-15 m shooter - MEC 600 Jnr. reloading press plus badge VALUE \$129. Best Lady Shooter - 14" silver salver suitably engraved plus badge VALUE \$63. Best junior shooter under age of 16yrs at date of location shoot, also receives 14" silver salver suitably engraved plus badge VALUE \$63.

Location winners eligible for grand final held at 1978 Nationals in Adelaide when overall high gun winner receives Winchester 10185 International pigeon grade O/U trap gun suitably engraved — perpetual cup to hold for one year — replica cup to hold — winners sash & badge.

\*Lady & Junior shooter location winner eligible for grand final held in Adelaide when each respective grand final winner will receive a canteen of cutlery cased and suitably engraved VALUE \$180.

\*Each shooter that enters Winchester Tournament will receive a complimentary Winchester Tournament Brassard.

Event 5 \$400 CASH HANDICAP 20 TGTS Nom. \$10.00

Event 6 MT GAMBIER G.C. SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP Nom. \$6.00

HIGH GUN TROPHY OVER ENTIRE PROGRAM

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Luncheon available Sunday 29th.

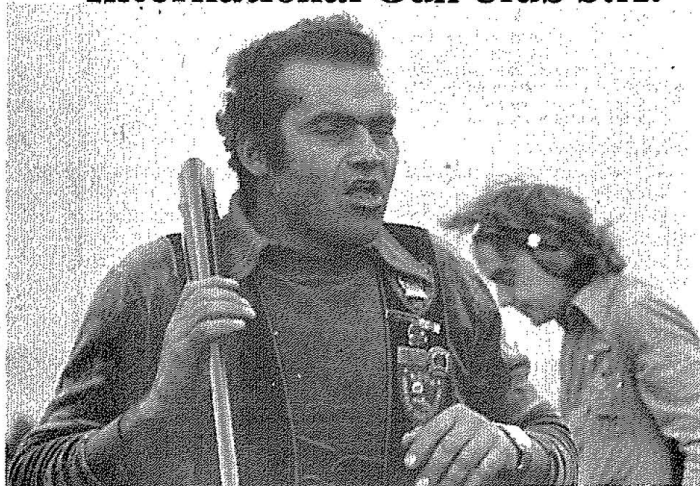
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## National President visits International Gun Club S.A.



Peter Marcionni in full flight!  
(photo by Pat Browne)

President Ern Hawkins called on International Gun Club to enjoy their two day program on December 3rd & 4th. After having been entertained in the very best traditions of hospitality at a number of Clubs this year, Ern still wasn't quite prepared for the Marcionni treatment at Inter. A total of almost one hundred and thirty shooters visited the Club over the days, where the main event was a Winchester Tournament. The Club was paid the highest compliment possible in the sense that shooters travelled up to 500 miles to share the same sort of hospitality that was experienced by President Ern. By 8 o'clock on Sunday night it was pretty apparent that Artie Dalle Molle had joined forces with Peter Marcionni and some special "potion" had been fed to the visitors.

At the presentation, it was announced that Committeeman Robert Baker, who has been an enthusiastic clay buster for the past couple of years was moving to Mildura to set up a business, and in a moving ceremony, Club President Metro Martini presented Bob with a valuable silver writing set.

The "grapevine" has it that some of the "Inter" boys are determined to win a National Championship next year at their sister Club, S.A. Gun Club. So, visitors beware — do NOT accept any offers of the miracle soothing potion which is dispensed from a dark coloured large glass object; show strength and stick to the local water.



### NORTHERN TERRITORY

**DARWIN, 3-11-77** — Warm (33). J. Wyatt Engineering Trophy 20t SB Hcp Night Shoot: J. Walker 19-22 \$35, P. Radtke 23-28 \$24, H. Meier 22-28 \$21; FM C. Reeves 17-20 \$6.

In some ways this was a disappointing shoot as the scores indicate. However again we have new shooters coming up which reiterates what I've said before about no one person dominating events. The club congratulates the new boys and hopes that their performances encourages others. It's good to see at least one stayer still up there. Well done Peter.

**DARWIN, 6-11-77** — Sticky and hot (35). Club Mixed Tgts C'ship: M. Mengel 39-45 \$35, G. Quirke 36-45 \$25, B. Munt 28-35 \$20.

This was somewhat of a novelty event with that indelible novelty Maurice "Mangler" Mengel taking the toys. Mr Consistent Garry Quirke was second and the old stayer Barry Munt was third. Eugene Smith was awarded and deservedly so the incentive award. This award is a new introduction at the club designed to encourage the 'backbone' of the club.

**DARWIN, 17-11-77** — Fine and warm (33). 20t DB Club C'ship: G. Voukolos 19-20 \$36, J. Gleeson 24-26 \$30, G. Worrall 23-26 \$24.

Tonight was a most exciting shoot with 7 shooters vying for 2nd place. After a six target shoot-off John Gleeson and G. Worrall took the minor places. George Voukolos showed his cool head to take 1st after a period of 'down' spots. Both George and John have lost a further metre. Well done.

**KATHERINE, 5-11-77** — Night shoot, cool and still (17). 20t DB Pts off 16m: M. Leaford, D. Fracaro, I. Winstanley. 10pr DR 16m: D. Fracaro, I. Winstanley, E. Rayner, R. Vandersman. 10t Pts Tower "Cake Shoot": E. Rayner.

**KATHERINE, 19-11-77** — Warm and still (21). 30t DB Pts Hcp President's Trophy: M. Leaford, D. Fracaro, G. Slattery. 10t SB 16m CD: I. Winstanley J. Lindsley, N. Turner E. Rayner, D. Fracaro G. Slattery, 10t Tower "Cake Shoot": I. Winstanley.

# S.A. GUN CLUB INC.

Shooting Grounds situated at  
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## VENUE FOR NATIONALS '78 TWO DAY SHOOT SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th commencing 12.30 p.m.

### Event 1

**ELEY - BLUE STAR  
CARTRIDGE H'CAP**  
20 TGT DOUBLE BARREL  
1000 Cartridges; including metre divs.  
11-13, 14-16, 17-19, 20-22, 23-25.

### Event 2

**AUSTRALIA DAY  
D.B. C'SHIP**  
20 tgts, 16m. A B C Grades Plus OA.  
Taipan 11 metre Aggregate Trophy.  
Adelaide Shooting Supplies High Gun.

## SUNDAY, JANUARY 29th commencing 10 a.m.

### Event 1

**AUSTRALIA DAY  
SKEET C'SHIP**  
1st Trophy (Donated by N. & K. Flaherty)

### Event 2

**\$2,000 CASH HANDICAP**  
\$1000 for Overall Winner.  
in 3 Divs of 11-15, 16-20 & 21-25 m.  
\$333 each division

### Event 3

**THE SHIRLEY & BOB MULES  
SHIELD CLUB TEAMS SHOOT**  
in conjunction with the  
1st METRO TEAMS  
ELIMINATION EVENT  
A B C Divisions, 18 metres.  
Shooters to shoot for Club where Registered.

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## TASMANIA

**BURNIE, 5-11-77** — Cold, very windy. 25t Graded Skeet: 0-1 I. Rist 25-25, 2-4 F. R. Smith 21-25, 5-+ R. Gardam 19-25. 10t SB Novice: A. Spinks 11m 7-10, K. White 12m 6-10. 20t Club Pts C'ship: 'A' I. Rist 59-60, 'B' B. Young 58-60; FM E. Abblitt 40-60. N.W.D. Mixed Tgts C'ship: 'A' R. Hampton 36-45, 'B' B. Young 17-25, 'C' F. Smith 30-45; FM G. Edwards 14-25. 20t DB Hcp: R. Hampton 23-24, G. Bedington 22-24, I. Elliott 17-20.

R. Hampton winner of sash on high gun on event 4.

**CRESSY, 5-11-77** — Night cold still (40). FM DR Twilight C'ship: W. Henshaw 9-10, S. Jetson 8-10, R. Woodward 8-11. Trophy: C. Mitchell 24-24, J. Murphy 29-30, G. Reid 28-30. Cent. Dist. Night DB: 'A' A. Styles 47-48, 'B' C. Brownrigg 62-62 and H.G., 'C' A. L. Smith 41-42. 150 Hcp: J. Murphy, W. Spencer, G. Carter. High Gun J. Murphy 55-55.

Congratulations to John Murphy, broke the possible in all events.

**HOBART, 29-10-77** — Dull and windy (2-day shoot) (58). 20t Novelty A B C D Trophy Event: 'A' L. Gray 28-30, 'B' M. Jackson 19-20, 'C' J. Malcolm 18-20, 'D' L. Williams 19-30. C'wealth DB C'ship A B C D: 'A' & HG I. Rist 37-40, 'B' D. White 33-40, 'C' K. Coppleman 34-40, 'D' G. Carter 31-40. City of Hob. DR C'ship Trophy Event: 'A' S. Marshall 18-20 & HG, 'B' A. Lowe 17-20, 'C' A. Smith 18-22. 10pr DD Trophy Event: 1st pair S. Marshall & R. Walker 18-18, 2nd pair I. Rist & D. O'Brien 17-18.

**HOBART, 30-10-77** — Dull and windy (2-day shoot) (89). Casino City Skeet C'ship A B C D 50t: 'A' G. Oley 58-59 & HG, 'B' G. Martin 45-50, 'C' D. F. Taylor 42-50, 'D' B. Anderson 57-68. 20t PS Trophy A B C D: 'A' L. Gray 55-60, 'B' A. Lowe 53-60, 'C' S. Johnson 54-60, 'D' M. Blackwell 50-60. Ampol Shield Interclub Teams Match: winning team Cressy Gun Club 89-100. 15t Hcp Trophy Event: M. Blackwell 28-28, L. Gray 27-28, K. Madden 17-18.

Usual October weather, windy conditions made the targets difficult in all events over the two days. Again congratulations go to Ian Rist for his very fine win in the Commonwealth Double Barrel, the difficult targets made no difference to him at all. Congratulations also to Graham Oley once again for his win in the 50 Target Skeet C'ship. He continued his C'ship form once again which proves him to be the finest skeet shooter in Tasmania if not Australia. Our congratulations to Cressy Gun Club on winning the Ampol Shield Teams Match for 1977. Special congratulations to all other winners over the two-day program.

**HOBART, 12-11-77** — Overcast and windy (21). State ISU Olympic Skeet C'ship A B C: 'A' A. Sommers 95-100 & High Gun, 'B' G. Martin 79-100, 'C' K. Coppleman 65-100.

As seen by our attendance the I.S.U. Skeet Event is not very popular with our State shooters, so we will have to look to improving things. It was very good to have some of Australia's representatives over from Victoria — namely John Summers, Alex Crikis and Ian Hale. It was also good to see them in action out on the tracks. Our congratulations go to John Summers for his close win in the Championship. Alex Crikis and Don Jones came in 1 below with 94-100. "Better luck next year, boys". Also congratulations to the winners of 'B' and 'C' Grade.

**HUONVILLE, 7-11-77** — Fine and warm (37). 5t Tower DB EO: G. Richardson, N. Groombridge, D. F. Taylor, D. Cuthbertson, C. Conlan, L. Gray, A. W. Behrens, R. V. Conlan, F. Shaw, T. Newman 5-5. State DB Tower Shoot: P. Matters 20-20, A. W. Behrens 45-46, D. Wilson 44-46. 20t DB Graded Trophy Shoot: 'A' L. Gray 29-29, 'B' B. Schott 31-31, 'C' F. Shaw 15-20; Best FM P. Machin. 15t Hcp: C. W. Calvert 15-15, D. F. Taylor 20-20, G. Kringle 19-20. 10t DB Tower SS: D. Cuthbertson, G. Ratcliffe 10-10 divided.

All members were pleased to see young Paul Matters win his first State Title (first championship actually). Paul is the son of the late Charles Matters who was a foundation member of the club and a very keen supporter prior to his lengthy illness. Five shooters with a score of 19 (one behind Paul) had to shoot off for second and third places with the above results.

**MERSEY, 19-11-77** — Fine and windy (35). 1 round Skeet Hcp: C. Latham 48-48, I. Rist 47-48, P. Rockliff 36-44. IMI DB Pts 16m: I. Rist 59-60, M. Pearn 79-84, A. Smith 78-84; FM A. Berne 34-60. Spr DR SS 16m: divided T. Buckley, I. Rist, R. Abblitt 9-10. NW Dist DR Graded: 'A' R. Elmer 25-30, 'B' S. Munday 25-36, 'C' T. Buckley 20-30; FM A. Berne 13-30; High Gun R. Elmer 25-30. 15t DB Hcp SS: I. Rist 15-15, 2nd divided A. Berne, H. Neville, I. Buchanan 14-15.

A very successful days seminar was held in conjunction with our usual monthly shoot with popular Melbourne identity Mr George Biggs giving instruction throughout the day to old and new competitors. During the afternoon George gave an illustrated talk to a crowded club house audience on ways to improve the standard of shooting in both Skeet and down the line, this he explained with the help of charts displayed around the Clubhouse. George also spent quite some time on ways to ensure that the gun fitted the shooter correctly and several members took the opportunity to seek his expert advice. The President Mr Greg Crosswell welcomed Mr and Mrs Biggs and said how fortunate the Club was in having the chance to meet them and learn from such an experienced veteran, we hope they both enjoyed their stay with us which unfortunately went much too quickly, we hope they will honour us with another visit in the not too distant future.

**TASMANIAN, 13-11-77** — Fine and sunny (71). 15t DB FM: 11m C. Kremerskothen 11-15, 12-13m D. Jurgons 13-15. Graded Skeet: 0-1 G. Oley 25-25, 2-3 J. Dixon 25-25, 4-6 P. Saunders 22-25, 7-+ D. Jollison 22-25. Michael Blake Mem C'ship: 'A' I. Rist 20-20, 'B' J. Murphy

## ROSEBERRY GUN CLUB

(Affiliated with A.C.T.A.)

**Sunday, 22nd January, 1978**

### TASMANIAN CONTINENTAL TRAP CHAMPIONSHIP

and full supporting program.

Secretary: Mrs L. Woods,  
5 Colebrook Street, ROSEBERRY, 7470.

25-25, 'C' T. Smyth 24-24, 'D' D. Jurgons 18-20. 20t DB Hcp: I. Buchanan 21-21, J. Kukujevic 20-21, G. Coates 19-20. 15t Cont DB: 'A' I. Rist 14-15, 'B' T. Pulford 14-15, 'C' G. Sturzaker 16-18. "High Gun" events 234 & 5: I. Rist 77-80.

Ian Rist continued his good form by winning 'A' Grade of Michael Blake Memorial C'ship and High Gun winner over events 234 & 5. J. Murphy, T. Smyth and D. Jurgons are to be congratulated on winning their respective Grades in the Michael Blake Memorial C'ship, John Murphy shot particularly well to win the High Gun over this event. All proceeds from this Shoot were passed over to Kings Meadows Rotary Club who in turn have donated the Funds to Glenara Children's Home. Thanks to all shooters and trophy donors for a very successful day. Novelty events were held for Rotary members and team event won by Kings Meadows Rotary Club.

## TASMANIAN

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**SAT 25th & SUN 26th FEB**

10 a.m. start daily

### SATURDAY:

Event 1

**25 TGT SKEET GRADED**

0-1 A, 2-3 B, 4-5 C, 6 & over D. Trophies ea grade winner.

Event 2

**HOBART G.C. SKEET C'SHIP**

Nom. \$6.00

25 Tgts Graded A B C D as above.

Event 3

**HOBART G.C. DR C'SHIP**

Nom. \$5.00

Event 4

Graded A B C Trophies each grade & H.G. badge.

Nom. \$3.00

10PR DD Partners Drawn.

### SUNDAY

Event 1

**STATE SKEET C'SHIP 50 Tgts**

Nom. \$8.00

Graded A B C D as above. Trophies grade winners and OA H.G. badge.

Event 2

**TASMANIAN SECTION OF**

**THE INTERSTATE SKEET TEAMS MATCH**

NOTE:

The Tasmanian team will be selected from the above event.

Event 3

**15 TGT DB HCP Trophy Event**

Nom. \$4.00

1st, 2nd and 3rd.

Event 4

**25 TGTS NOVELTY TROPHY EVENT**

Nom. \$6.00

5 tgts DB 16m, 5 tgts SB 16 m, 5 tgts PS 16 m, 5 pr DR 16 m. Graded A B C & D 11-13 m.

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be high Gun sashes awarded to the top shooters in A B C D Grade over events 2 & 3 Sat. & 1 & 4 Sun.

Lunch & Afternoon Tea.

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## WEST AUSTRALIA

**AZZURRI, 30-10-77** — Fine but cold (23). 10pr DR Sweep div 16m: P. Melvin 19-20, D. Dovidio 17-20, A. Geddes 16-20, P. Vivante 16-20, A. Yozzi 16-20, 20pr DD 18m: U. Pelaccia & F. Carbone 20-20, G. Marinelli & J. Martino 19-20.

Nice to see new shooters as Phil Melvin bring in such good scores, well done. Main event saw Umberto Pelaccia and Frank Carbone shoot perfect score of 20 to win this event, good shooting. Second place was taken by our President John Martino and Vice-Captain Bill Marinelli shooting 19-20.

**AZZURRI, 13-11-77** — Fine and sunny (40). Club Champion of Champions: M. Alexander, D. Henthorn, M. Fisher.

Congratulations to Murray Alexander for his victory. Also a fine effort on the part of David Henthorn. Third, Merv Fisher a shooter you don't see very often, but when he does shoot he usually takes some trophy home. He came third after a shoot-off against Jim Boyes and Clem Bertini.

**BUNBURY SKEET, 30-10-77** — Windy and overcast (15). 50t Skeet: High Gun Grant Hyder 50-50, FM Mrs Beryl Marney 44-50.

The inter club skeet teams match was shot over the first 25 with a score of 120/125. Shooters who made up the team were Lloyd Brackman 25, Grant Hyder 25, Kurt Schinzig 24, Colin Roach 23 and Jim Perkins 23. Congratulations to Grant Hyder for his 50 break in this event and also for his 50 in trap the previous week at Callie. Alex Harvey also scored a 50 break in trap at Bunbury a fortnight previously.

**BUNBURY SKEET, 12-11-77** — Overcast and windy (21). 25t Skeet: L. Brockman 25-25, 25t Mixed: R. Silvester 21-25.

This was the Club Championship shoot conducted over both events, and was won by Kurt Schinzig with 47-50 (25 skeet and 22 mixed). FM trophy was won by P. Wood 38-50 and the visitors prize to Mrs Barb Smith (Edgehill) 40-50.

**EDGEHILL, 2-11-77** — Fine and warm. Night Skeet 25t: Kevin Childs 23-25, Barry Smith 23-25.

Eighteen shooters participated recently to shoot the first night skeet to be held in the south-west for several years. Perfect weather conditions resulted in very good scoring. First and second places were decided after a shoot-off.

**KAMBALDA, 30-10-77** — Overcast and windy (15). 25t DB PS 16m: T. Vodden 74-75, O. Makkonen 70-75. 10t DB SS 16m: equal 1st A. Ward, T. Vodden 10-10.

A match in between Kambalda Gun and Pistol Clubs was also shot today with pistols being shot in the morning and guns in the afternoon. Result of the match was a comfortable win for pistol club (535 points) to gun clubs 499 points.

**PERTH, 29-10-77** — Overcast, cool, windy (36). 20t Trap DB Pts from 16m Graded: 'A' F. Shanley 58-60, D. Knight 65-72, 'B' C. Brown 56-60, J. Honey 70-75, 'C' E. M. Kennamer 54-60, C. Melvin 52-60. 20t Trap DB from 20m: W. Kennamer 25-25, A. Geddes, R. Bailey 24-25.

**PERTH, 19-11-77** — Fine and mild (36). 35t Mixed Night Champion of Champions: W. Kennamer 30-35, D. Knight 29-35, R. Collins 36-45. Inter. Champion R. Collins 28-35.

**WAGIN, 20-11-77** — Hot (27). 40t Mixed Club C'ship: A. Gambrell 38-40 'C', P. Becker 36-40 'B', C. Hinkley 36-40 'A'. 10t DB PS 10t SB: A. Gambrell 37-40, C. Hinkley 36-40, L. G. Gambrell 35-40. Novelty Pairs Event: G. Smith and K. Batty 26-30, L. Lupp and F. Buemi 25-30.

Wagin's first Annual Social Shoot welcomed visitors from Katanning, Darkan and Narrogin. Presentation of trophies carried out by W. Agnew of Katanning. Mixed targets club champion badge and sash to A. Gambrell. Trophies to C. Hinkley 'A', P. Becker 'B' and A. Gambrell 'C'; 2nd 'C' trophy to L. G. Gambrell of Narrogin Gun Club. High Gun trophy and sash to A. Gambrell. Trophy to each of novelty pairs G. Smith and K. Batty who had to shoot-off against L. Lupp and F. Buemi. Presentation of trophies and refreshments served at Mick Paget's place after the shoot. Wagin has a mosquito plague at present, it is hoped the many visitors don't think it is always so bad.

**WAGIN, 20-11-77** — Hot (26). 40t Mixed: A. Gambrell 38-40, 20t Medley: A. Gambrell 18-20, C. Hinkley 18-20, L. Gambrell 17-20.

## Records Set at 1977 Cherry Tree

A record number of entries, perfect weather and excellent shooting all contributed to making the 1977 Cherry Tree Pool Field Championship shooting event an outstanding success. The annual shoot which is staged by the Katanning Clay Target Club is the largest of its type in Australia.

For the first time in the history of the shoot nominations passed the two hundred mark with 215 shooters competing. They came from all parts of W.A. and included two from inter-state. The previous record was last year, when 198 shooters took part.

The weekend started on Friday with a 20 target double barrel points graded event at the Katanning Round Drive grounds for the early arrivals.

On Saturday at the same grounds, the club had a three event program. This included the Winchester Tournament, Commonwealth Single Barrel Championship and the State Double Barrel Mini Championship.

In a remarkable display of shooting, Tim Catling from Katanning took first place in all four events over the two days. Tim was still shaking his head in disbelief on Sunday.

President of the club, Sandy Leach said that there were not enough superlatives to describe the brilliant form of Tim and added he had never heard of or seen such an outstanding performance.

Overcast skies made conditions perfect for the shooters when the Field Championship started on Sunday morning.

An estimated crowd of 1000 were at the property of Mr Con Kowald to watch some of WA's top shooters compete in the unique shoot around the half mile course.

The club had put in a lot of hard work and effort preparing the grounds for the shoot which underwent a major re-organisation for the first time in many years. All changes were made with every consideration being given to safety.

Mr Catling said on Sunday safety was the most important factor in conducting any type of shoot but more so with Cherry Tree because of the large number of spectators who attended each year. He said the club laid down very stringent rules which were rigidly enforced at all times.

Facilities for competitors and spectators were excellent. The ladies worked very hard providing food and drinks and generally making sure everyone was looked after.

The shoot was won by B. Nicholl with a record score of 55/56, only one off the elusive possible. The ladies championship also established a new record score of 48/56 by Michelle Alexander. The Intermediate Championship was won by G. Prichard 48/56 and the Junior by J. Steiner 44/56.

In his presentation address, Mr Sandy Leach passed the sincere thanks of the club to the many business houses in the district who supported the shoot.

"Without these trophy donors there would be no Cherry Tree shoot," Mr Leach said.

Mr Leach said that he was delighted with the number of shooters who had taken part. It was an indication of the status the shoot enjoyed.

Following the presentation of trophies a barbecue and refreshments were provided.

The 20 target double barrel points graded event resulted in a tie for first place in the A Grade between Tim Catling, M. Alexander and Jim Perkins who all had 60 points. B Grade 59/60 L. Brockman. C Grade 60/60 C. Hyder.

Winchester shoot — 1st Tim Catling 92/92; 2nd K. Schinzig 91/92; 3rd M. Alexander 71/72; 4th C. Vodden 67/68; 5th D. Campbell 60/61; 6th G. Rigoni 51/52; 7th C. Brown 45/46; 8th S. Gibson 39/40; 9th T. Skine 31/32; equal 10th F. Bombardo and J. Wansborough 30/31.

Commonwealth single barrel: Champion — Tim Catling 39/40; 2nd S. Gibson 43/46; 3rd D. Henthorn 42/46.

Unplaced handicaps — 18-24 m R. Bailey; 15-17 m M. Lubcke; 11-14 m G. Hyder.

State double barrel minis: Champion — Tim Catling 33/35; 2nd R. Eckersley 36/39; 3rd R. Ritchie 35/39.

Unplaced handicaps: 18-25 m W. Kennamer; 15-17 m P. James; 11-14 m R. Tomlin.

Results: Cherry Tree Field Champion — B. Nicholls 55/56; 2nd D. Henthorn 51/56; 3rd P. Humphries 51/56; 4th B. Smith 51/56; 5th R. Bailey 51/56; 6th M. Alexander 50/56.

Intermediate Champion — G. Prichard 48/56, 2nd C. Hyder, ladies trophy 1st Michelle Alexander 48/56, 2nd Barb Smith, junior 1st J. W. Steiner, 2nd P. Brady, best morning round Rob Bessen, best afternoon round Chas Ellies.

Possible half-round: B. Nicholls and D. Henthorn.

Handicap trophies: 18-25 m C. Hinkley, 16-17 m M. Fisher; 14-15 m R. Eckersley, 11-13 m T. Kowald.

C.T.S.N. regrets that  
part two of  
"SOME BASICS  
OF  
SHOTGUN SHOOTING"  
has been held over  
until February,  
due to space limitations





## NEW SOUTH WALES

**BARELLAN, 13-11-77** — Sunny (40). 10t Hcp EO: 12 possibles L. Bonaventura, D. Ashford, T. Ceccato, R. Rosenboom, A. Bound, P. Jones, T. Kirk, B. Brown, G. Lane, R. Lord, G. Dennis, B. Stockton. 15t Trophy: 8 possibles G. Lane, G. Dennis, T. Ceccato; FM L. Bonaventura; BM L. McDonald; lady shooter K. Wardman. 10t Pts Score Hcp: 2 possibles P. Ashford and T. Ceccato, 6 divided for 3rd place. 9t Quail Drive: 9 divided L. Bonaventura, A. Bound, R. Saunderson, P. Jones, M. Holden, B. Brown, G. Lane, G. Dennis, G. Castellaro.

High Gun was won by T. Ceccato with a perfect score over the high gun events. Our many thanks to Bevan Brown for the use of his trap for this shoot. A barbecue was held after the shoot as this is our last for 1977. Yearly Aggregate High Gun was won by K. Whytcross 229-244.

**BATHURST, 18-9-77** — Very windy (30). 10t PS Hcp: 2 x 29's D. Wilson (Parkes), G. Bradley, Harry Jaques Mem 20t DB Hcp: Les Alexander (Cowra) 19-21, Merv Henwood (Orange) 19-22, L. Suttor (Bathurst) 18-22; FM L. Quirk (Orange). 2BS-2MG Shield: Parkes Team 1st, Orange Team 2nd.

**BATHURST, 16-10-77** — Mild, windy (21). 20t PS Hcp: L. Arnold 58-60, J. Hotland 58-63, George Blattman 57-63. Les Baker Memorial 20t SB Hcp: L. Suttor 19-20, M. Burrow 18-20, F. Johns 17-20. P. Godfrey won the FM trophy in both of these events. Night Shoot - Blue Mountains PS C'ship: R. Piotrowski 60-60, P. Godfrey 54-60, L. Arnold 53-60.

**BATHURST, 5-11-77** — Skeet, windy (15). Blue Mountains Skeet C'ship: L. Arnold 25, E. Troy 24, P. Stewart 23.

**BERRIDALE, 13-11-77** — Sunny, windy (42). 10t EO: L. Bird, D. Feilen 10-10; 2nd L. Venables, R. Mould, J. Williams, G. Huggett, Ray Hedger, B. Casey, C. Brown, G. Heuston, C. Woodhouse, Ron Hedger, W. Secombe, J. Tankey, D. Badewitz 9-10. Sthrn Dist SB C'ship: J. Ellis 19-20, G. Feilen, L. Venables; FM B. Casey, Sthrn Dist DR C'ship: G. Moore 18-20, L. Bird, L. Venables; FM T. Tindall, Moharo Dist DD C'ship: O. Feilen, N. Carter 20-20, Ron Hedger, L. Venables. 20t \$5 Cash Hcp: N. Dwight, L. Venables, B. Casey, G. Feilen, Ray Hedger, T. Hayden, R. Venables, D. Badewitz 20-20, High Gun L. Venables; Inter. High Gun: C. Huggett.

**CESSNOCK CITY, 29-10-77** — Stormy (65). 10t DB EO Hcp: 10-10 D. Crittenden, P. Zickman, C. Wolf, M. Condron, D. Aitkens, J. Crittenden, R. Ward, S. Coyle, M. Bowman, Bellevue Winery PS C'ship: K. Ringland, R. Jenness, D. Aitkens. Wades Sport Store Trophy 10t Hcp: C. Wolf, A. Barnard, B. Ringland.

Carol was delighted about her winning of the O/U shotgun in the trophy event, she had to beat about 50 male shooters in very difficult conditions to do it.

**COBAR, 23-10-77** — Fine becoming overcast (24). 25t Trench: T. Russell (Cbr) 23-25, 25t Skeet: D. Osbourne (Cbr) 25-25, 20t SB: D. Osbourne (Cbr) 19-20, 20t DB: J. Manns Jnr (Cbr) 20-20, 20t PS: D. Cosgrove (Wrn) 60-60, 10pr DR: D. Osbourne 19-20.

**COWRA, 3-9-77** — Cold, wet windy (103). 15t SS: 15-15 D. Rogan, J. Watts, D. Sullivan, T. Mooney, L. Goodacie, C. Smith, G. Brunton, L. Lee, B. Duncan, B. Warren, Tom Powell Mem Shield: Parkes Gun Club 119-125, 20t \$200 Cash Hcp: 20-20 D. Rogan, J. Scott, J. Watts, R. Hill, A. Turner Jnr, R. Gittos, L. Jenkins, K. O'Brien, B. Kable, L. Lee, J. O'Connor, R.

## WYONG GUN CLUB

APPROX. 15 KILOMETRES FROM CO-OP.  
JANUARY 14th, 1978

Event 1  
15 TGT DB E/O CD  
Comp Divide \$1.00. Nom. \$1.50

Event 2  
30 TGT  
N.S.W. W-U CHAMPIONSHIP  
50c Opt Sweep over each 15 tgts. One fighter tgt.

1st prize: Set engraved brandy glasses, silver tray and sash; 2nd, 3rd & FM trophy.

Event 3  
15 TGT CASH HANDICAP  
Total Noms. \$12.50  
Refreshments Available. Nom. \$3.00

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## NEW SOUTH WALES GUN CLUB

131 BOORALIE RD., TERREY HILLS  
PHONE 450 1775

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY,  
MARCH 4th & 5th, 1978**

### ★ SATURDAY

12.30 p.m. start

98th Anniversary  
Browning Handicap

(Trophy: Browning B2G)

State of N.S.W.

S.B. Night C'ship

(Graded A B C Badge OA)

### ★ SUNDAY

10.00 a.m. start

\$2000 D.B. Handicap  
Shoot — 100 Targets

CASH 1st \$1000 11-13m \$100  
2nd \$300 14-16m \$100  
3rd \$200 17-20m \$100  
Ladies \$100 21-25m \$100.

The above shoots to be held on March 4th and 5th, 1978 instead of March 18th, 1978, as previously notified.

Fully Licensed Premises.  
Cartridges and Components Available.

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Secretary:  
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Nock, E. Miles, R. Cooper. Central Tablelands Night DB C'ship: 'A' B. Clissold 58-59, L. Lee 23-24; 'B' R. Beer 59-58, A. Turner Jnr. 58-59; 'C' M. Byrne 27-28, Mark Nobes 25-26.

Central Tablelands Single Barrel Night C'ship badge won by R. Beer.

COWRA, 4-9-77 — Very cold, windy, raining (111). Central Tablelands SB C'ship: 'A' J. Scott 21-21, R. Duncan 20-21; 'B' A. Jones 18-20, J. W. Smith 17-20; 'C' W. Warren 19-20, R. Venables 18-20. IMI Perpetual Trophy: Hawkesbury Gun Club 96-100, 2nd Sydney 94-100. IMI Waratah State Classic: R. Northcott 133-134, D. McKenzie 68-69, R. Lucie 64-65; Junior A. Turner 29-30; Ladies J. Longmore.

Intermediate High Gun won by T. Mooney. Open High Gun won by L. Lee. Central Tablelands Single Barrel Championship Badge won by J. Scott.

COWRA, 5-11-77 — Cool and windy (23). 10t Gun Warmer: 10-10 R. Bright, S. Gittoes, P. Mould, R. Gittoes, C. Trevanion. Jackpot Trophy: R. Gittoes 34-34; Mel Nobes 33-34; FM P. Mould 15-16. 10t W-P Sweep: 8-10 S. Gittoes, 5t DB - 5t Cont. SB Sweep: 14-15 Mel Nobes. Novelty: 6-10 Mark Nobes. Novelty Sweep: 10-10 J. Smith.

COWRA, 5-11-77 — Fine and cool (19). Central Tablelands SB C'ship: R. Gittoes 20-20, R. Piotrowski 19-20, Mark Nobes 18-20; FM P. Mould 17-20. Central Tablelands DR C'ship: Mark Nobes 25-25, L. Arnold 24-25, R. Gittoes 22-26; FM N. Dwight 13-20.

Central Tablelands SB C'ship badge winner R. Gittoes. Central Tablelands DR C'ship badge winner Mark Nobes.

#### COWRA GUN CLUB SHOOT NOTES FOR NOVEMBER

Very windy and cool conditions prevailed for the monthly shoot of the Cowra Gun Club held on Saturday.

Attendance was not as high as usual, but those who attended met the challenge of the very windy conditions and had a good afternoon's shooting.

Due to the adverse windy weather, the scores were quite low, with only five shooters sharing the divide in the first event, a 10 targets Gun Warmer sweepstake. They were R. Bright, S. Gittoes, P. Mould, R. Gittoes and C. Trevanion.

The second event, the Jackpot trophy was won by R. Gittoes 34-34 of Cowra after a shoot-off with 4 other shooters.

Mel Nobes also of Cowra was second with 33-34 and Front Marker trophy was won by Peter Mould also from Cowra.

The third event, a 10 target walk up sweep proved very difficult in the wind, and the highest score was 8-10, by Stephen Gittoes of Cowra.

The fourth event a 5 Double Barrel, 5 Continental, and 5 Single Barrel sweep also was won outright by Mel Nobes of Cowra.

Mark Nobes of Cowra won the 5th novelty sweepstake with 6-10.

After a barbecue the Night program got under way. The events programmed were the Central Tablelands Single Barrel Championship and the Central Tablelands Double Rise Championship.

The first event for the nights shooting, the Central Tablelands Single Barrel Championship and badge, was won outright by R. Gittoes of Cowra with 3 and R. Piotrowski, and 3rd Mark Nobes. Front Marker was again won by P. Mould of Cowra.

The Central Tablelands Double Rise Championship, always offers a challenge to the shooters but here again the scores were not very high, with the 17-20's shooting off for 1st place. The shoot-off was very short with only 4 targets determining Albert Povey of Cowra as the winner from R. Shaw of Grenfell 2nd.

Another shoot-off for 3rd place was won by Mark Nobes.

The Front Marker trophy in this event was won by Noel Dwight of Cowra with 13-20.

The next shoot at the Club will be the Christmas shoot.

## MANGOPLAH GUN CLUB

**SUNDAY, 5th FEBRUARY, 1978**

at 1.30 p.m.

Event 1	10 TGTS SB OFF 16 m CD	Nom. \$2.00
Event 2	20 TGT MANGOPLAH G.C. SB CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$6.00
	Opt Sweep each 10 at 50c	
Event 3	20 TGTS PS OFF 16 m CD (Graded)	Nom. \$6.00
Event 4	20 TGTS OFF HCP DB CD O.E.T.P.	Nom. \$6.00

Secretary: G. R. Allen,  
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## NEW SOUTH WALES GUN CLUB

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**SKEET, DOWN THE LINE,  
I.S.U. SKEET,  
OLYMPIC TRENCH.**

★ **JANUARY 7th, 1978**

1.30 p.m. start

DUFFY'S FOREST SB C'SHIP  
DUFFY'S FOREST DB C'SHIP

★ **JANUARY 14th, 1978**

1.30 p.m. start

OLYMPIC TRENCH  
SKEET

★ **JANUARY 21st, 1978**

1.30 p.m. start

STHRN ZONE SB CONT.  
C'SHIP  
METRO. DD C'SHIP

★ **JANUARY 22nd, 1978**

FREE SHOOT

(see other advertisement)

★ **JANUARY 28th, 1978**

1.30 p.m. start

DUFFY'S FOREST  
OLYMPIC TRENCH C'SHIP

Fully Licensed Premises  
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Practice every Wednesday afternoon 1.30 p.m.  
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COME TO THE GARDEN CITY OF THE SOUTH & CELEBRATE AUSTRALIA DAY --  
1978

# THE WAGGA GUN CLUB

(Affiliated A.C.I.A.) invites you to attend the

## WAGGA WAGGA

### AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS SHOOT

Featuring the following program:

AIR NEW ZEALAND-WAGGA TRAVEL SERVICE CHAMPIONSHIP

WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT

7th ANNUAL WINCHESTER GRAND PRIX

N.S.W. BALL TRAP U.I.T. CHAMPIONSHIP

**\$500 IN TROPHIES & PRIZE MONEY**

#### JANUARY 28th SATURDAY

at 10.00 a.m.

Event 1 Nom. \$6.00

20 TARGET CITY OF WAGGA  
SINGLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP  
Optional Sweeps \$1.00.

1st OA Sash & Trophy, Trophies A B & C grades & ladies. 1st place trophy is a PUMA KNIFE valued at \$50 donated by the PUMA Australian agents EUROCUT PTY. LTD.

Event 2 Nom. \$9.00

20 TARGET FEATURE EVENT  
AIR NEW ZEALAND-WAGGA TRAVEL  
SERVICE D.B. CHAMPIONSHIP  
Optional Sweeps \$1.00.

1st Sash & 10-day trip to the New Zealand National Championships sponsored by Air New Zealand and Wagga Travel Service. (Includes air fare from Sydney & 9 nights accommodation plus \$50 spending money. Plus \$100 towards Tasman Rent a Car). 2nd & 3rd trophies.

Event 3 Nom. \$6.00

20 TARGETS CITY OF WAGGA  
D.B. CHAMPIONSHIP  
Optional Sweeps \$1.00.

1st OA Sash & Trophy. Trophies A B & C grades & ladies. Trophies for this event donated by JOHN POWER PLUMBING SERVICE.

Event 4 Nom. \$5.00

5 TARGET TROPHY HCP

1st 70 kg shot, 2nd 40 kg shot, 3rd 20 kg shot; FM 20 kg shot, BM 20 kg shot. Ladies 20 kg shot. (This event only if time permitting).

#### JANUARY 29th SUNDAY

at 9.30 a.m.

Event 5 Nom. \$18.00

30 TARGETS WINCHESTER  
TOURNAMENT  
Details as per Shooting "News"

Event 6 Nom. \$20.00

20 TARGET FEATURE EVENT  
WINCHESTER GRAND PRIX HCP  
Optional Sweeps \$1.00.

1st 101 Pigeon Grade trap or skeet gun. Sponsored by WINCHESTER AUST PTY LTD., 2nd MEC Grabber 12-G loader, 3rd MEC 650 12-G loader; 1st in each yardage MEC 600 loader, 11-12m 13-14m 15-16m 17-18m 19-21m 22-25m.

Event 7 Nom. \$6.00

CITY OF WAGGA  
DD CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Sash & Trophy, 2nd Trophies and best ladies pair trophy.  
Optional Sweep \$1.00.

#### JANUARY 30th MONDAY

at 9.30 a.m.

Event 8 Nom. \$17.00

100 TARGET N.S.W. U.I.T.  
BALL TRAP CHAMPIONSHIP (Graded)  
Optional Sweep (each 25 \$1.00) \$5.00.  
OA \$1.00; 1st trophy and sash, trophy each grade.

Event 9 Nom. \$8.00

50 TARGET CITY OF WAGGA  
SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP

1st Sash & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd Trophy. Optional Sweep each 25 & \$1.00, OA Optional Sweeps \$3.00.

OVERALL HIGH GUN TROPHY.

TRAP HIGH GUN donated by WILSON WHEEL WORKS. LADIES HIGH GUN TROPHY.

The WAGGA GUN CLUB offers sincere thanks to the following for their support of this program: AIR NEW ZEALAND, WAGGA TRAVEL SERVICE, WINCHESTER AUST. PTY. LTD., JOHN POWER, EUROCUT PTY. LTD., WILSON WHEEL WORKS.

**Practice Friday 27th from 4 p.m. onward.**

Meals and Cartridges will be available at the grounds.

ACCOMMODATION CAN BE BOOKED THROUGH WAGGA TRAVEL SERVICE Ph. 069 214155.

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# SUTTON FOREST GUN CLUB

presents

## THE ELEY WARATAH STATE CLASSIC

(Southern Division)

### ON THE 22nd JANUARY 1978

commencing at 10 a.m.

Event 1

BERRIMA DISTRICT POINT SCORE CHAMPIONSHIP

Nom. \$6.00

Event 2

Nom. Men & Ladies \$10.00

Juniors \$5.00

## ELEY WARATAH STATE CLASSIC

(Southern Division)

30 TARGETS FROM 16 METRES

*Trophies donated by Eley Ammunition.*

1st Luigi Franchi Model 500 Auto Shotgun Value \$402.

2nd J.G. Anschutz Model 1450 .22 Repeater Rifle Value \$120.

3rd 250 Eley Special Trap Cartridges Value \$68.

Ladies Trophy engraved trophy Value \$70.

Juniors Trophy engraved trophy Value \$70.

TOTAL TROPHY VALUE \$730.

In addition the winner of a Division shoot being a resident of N.S.W. with the longest run break of the six winners will receive "The Eley Waratah State Classic High Gun Trophy" PLUS (a) A Return Air Ticket to the Nationals; or (b) Nomination for all events at the Nationals.

Event 3

20 TGT ELEY CARTRIDGE BONANZA HANDICAP

Nom. \$15.00

1st 500 cartridges; 2nd 250 cartridges; 3rd 150 cartridges;

4th 100 cartridges; 5th 75 cartridges; 6th to 10th 50 cartridges.

Event 4

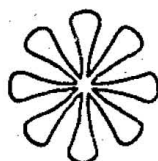
20 TGT HANDICAP TROPHY

Nom. \$5.50

Trophies 1st, 2nd, 3rd and F.M.

HIGH GUN ON EVENTS 1 to 4.

Cartridges and Refreshments Available on Grounds.



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# QUEANBEYAN-CANBERRA GUN CLUB

presents  
**CALTEX OPEN SHOOT**  
**SUNDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1978**  
prompt commencement 9.00 a.m.

Event 1

Nom. \$4.00.

**EYE OPENER**  
**20 Tgt Double Barrel Handicap**  
Cash Divide.

Event 2

Nom. \$8.00

**CALTEX 20 TARGET**  
**DOUBLE BARREL HANDICAP**  
Opt Sweeps 50c each half, 50c overall (\$1.50)  
1st Air Fare plus accommodation to New Zealand National.  
2nd Trophy to the value of \$50.  
Trophies 1st metre groups (11-14) (15-18) (19-22) (23-25).

Event 3

Nom. \$8.00

**CALTEX 20 TARGET**  
**DOUBLE BARREL 16 m**  
Opt Sweeps 50c each half, 50c overall (\$1.50)  
1st Air Fare plus accommodation to New Zealand National.  
Trophies 2nd, 3rd & F.M.

Event 4

Nom. \$8.00

**CALTEX 20 TARGET**  
**DOUBLE BARREL 18 m**  
Opt Sweeps 50c each half, 50c overall (\$1.50).  
1st Air Fare plus accommodation to New Zealand Nationals.  
Trophies 2nd, 3rd & F.M.

Optional High Gun (\$1.00)

TOTAL NOMINATIONS \$33.50

SASHES — HIGH GUN A B C GRADE

# MOREE GUN CLUB

(Affiliated with A.C.T.A. and N.S.W. C.T.A.)

Gun Club situated 11 km north of Moree on main Goondiwindi Road. Turn right at Gun Club sign  
200 m north of Boolooroo Bridge.

— Queensland Shooters —

make Moree Gun Club your first call on your way to the Nationals.

## ANNUAL MOREE 5000 2 DAY SHOOT MARCH, 1978

### SATURDAY 4th

9 a.m. start

Event 1

Nom. \$8.00

30 T.N.S.W. STATE  
CONTINENTAL D/B TITLE  
18 m. Trophies A B C. Equal Value. Sash & Badge. Overall winner  
only. Opt Sweep each 15 \$1.00.

Event 2

Nom. \$15.00

S.K.B. 30 T D/B HANDICAP  
3 S.K.B. Mod. 1900. Auto Shotguns. Trophies 11-15m 16-20m  
21-25m. Total value trophies \$1155.00.  
SPECIAL JUNIOR NOMINATION for Junior Shooters 16 years and  
under on Event 2. Juniors will shoot for special Junior trophy (for  
Junior shooters not wishing to shoot for shotgun trophies).  
Nom. \$5.00

Event 3

Nom. \$10.00

\$500 C/D 15 T P/S HCP  
Divided 60% 30% 10%.

Dinner & Calcutta on Event 5 Sunday will be held in the  
Gun Clubs Clubhouse Saturday night.

### SUNDAY 5th

8.30 a.m. start

Event 4

Nom. \$12.00

NORMAN ROSS DISCOUNTS  
\$1000 1st P/S D/B HCP  
Trophies 1st, 2nd & 3rd only; 1st prize Colour T.V.

Event 5

Nom. \$25.00

MOREE GUN CLUB'S 2ND ANNUAL  
\$1600 CASH 45 T HCP  
\$400 1st DB; \$400 1st P/S; \$400 1st S/B; \$400 Overall winner.  
targets only to count. Divided 60% 30% 10%.

Event 6

Nom. \$8.00

MOREE BUSINESS HOUSES  
FIRST D/B  
Trophies 11-15m 16-20m 21-25m. Equal value trophies \$100 each.

WINCHESTER HIGH GUN on events 1-6 16-25 m only.

INTERMEDIATE HIGH GUN on events 1-6. Intermediate High Gun trophy to 11-15m. Shooter only who  
has not won another High Gun trophy.

JUNIOR HIGH GUN on events 1-6. Restricted to shooters of 16 years and under who have not won  
another High Gun trophy.

\$1000 JACKPOT on events 1-6 targets to count only to shooter scoring 150/150. If more than one possi-  
ble scored \$1000 will be divided equally. No nomination Fee.

Three Electric Continental Traps in Operation.

The Committee Reserves the right to alter program if necessary.

Luncheon, Morning and Afternoon Tea.

Cartridges available on Ground.

Camping permitted on Club's 40 ha Grounds.

Water and Toilets Available.

Motel, Hotel and Caravan Accommodation Available.

Please Book Early.

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**FINLEY, 23-10-77** — Good (45). 10t Cont. EO: P. Sheridan 10-10. Finley G.C. High Speed Cont. C'ship: I. Poole 24-25, R. Hooper 23-25, F. Berry 22-24; FM P. Barkley 13-20. 15t Hcp: I. Holschier 22-22, K. Bucholtz 21-22, D. Edwards 19-20; Novice P. Barkley 14-15. 10t SB G. A. Edwards Cup: W. Koopman 10-10.

**GOULBURN WORKERS, 12-11-77** — Fine, windy, cool (35). 10t DB Hcp Sweep: W. Lambert, N. Smith. 10t PS Hcp Sweep: R. Mills 30-30, F. Quilter, E. Hunt, D. Nelson 29-30. 20t DB Hcp Trophy: OA J. Webster 20-20, 'A' J. Asey 19-20, 'B' G. Hug 19-20, 'C' R. Hunt 23-24. 10pr DR Sweep: W. Lambert 17-20, G. Hug, R. Mills, N. Smith, G. Clements 15-20.

**GRIFFITH, 6-11-77** — Fine and sunny (35). 10t DB EO: 6 divided. 10t DB Club Trophy: F. Matich, M. Weymouth, Mrs K. Wardman; FM T. Stockton; BM S. Papisedro. Cen. Riv. MT C'ship: P. McWilliam 24-25, I. Evans 23-25, G. Castellaro 21-25; High Gun C. Castellaro 49-55. 10pr DD CD: 6 divided sweep.

**GUNNEDAH, 12-11-77** — Warm and perfect (23). 10t DB EO: G. Carlyon, S. Brown, A. Devine, L. McMaster, S. McMaster, C. Gillham, O. Tydd, J. Rose. 10t SB: D. Forbes, S. Brown, A. Devine, M. O'Connor. 15t DB Novelty event: shooters in front of 16m shot 10 tgts DB off 11m and 5 tgts off 25m. Shooters 16m and behind shot 5 tgts off 11m and 10 tgts off 25m. K. Buckley shot the only possible. A. Devine and R. Scott shot 14-15. 10pr DD: S. Brown and T. Hogbin, D. Forbes and K. Buckley.

A very poor roll up due to harvest time. Two lady shooters, Louise Beattie and Sue Rose were a welcome sight amongst the male competitors. For some reason Gunnedah does not often have ladies competing. Allan Devine won the High Gun. Stephen Brown won the Intermediate High Gun and Lee McMaster won the front marker trophy. New shooters to shoot well were Ralph Scott, Darryl Forbes, Owen Tydd and Colin Gillham, John Rose.

**GUYRA, 19-11-77** — Showery (29). 10t DB Royal Hotel Trophy: 10-10 K. Sweeney, C. Anderson, C. Smith, R. Sweeney, A. Moffatt, H. Williamson, D. Williams, J. Poole, R. Reeves. 20t DB Cont. Club Trophy: 20-20 N. Reeves, D. Williams, 19-20 J. Pearson, J. Poole; shoot-off won by N. Reeves. 10t SB: 10-10 C. Anderson, H. Campion, R. Varley, D. Jackes. 5pr DR: 10-10 J. Pearson, R. Reeves, 9-10 V. Raszweski, N. Reeves, D. Jackes, D. Reeves, G. White. High Gun: N. Reeves.

Congratulations to Norm Reeves for his third win in the monthly club trophy event, which gives him the silver tray outright.

**HAWKESBURY, 19 & 20-11-77** — Overcast both days. NSW Cont. SB C'ship: 'A' & OA D. Hunt 28-30, 'B' J. Hayes 25-30, 'C' D. Watson 21-30. DB Hcp: R. Clarke 42-42, J. Rose 41-42, C. Grima 38-39. Anniversary DB C'ship: A. Hayes 208-208, L. Lee 207-208, W. Maryska 112-113. DB Anniversary Hcp: G. Bedington 53-53, B. Naylor 52-53, T. Price 51-52. IMI Shield: 1st Illawarra 1 96-100, 2nd Hawkesbury 1 95-100. Anniversary DR C'ship: 'A' & OA W. Jones 20-21, 'B' J. Allotta 18-20, 'C' B. Naylor 17-20.

This two day shoot celebrated the 21st year of operation of Hawkesbury Gun Club. Of the many good performances of the weekend was the 208-208 by cracky old Adrian Hayes — a club foundation member. Illawarra showed us how in the IMI Shield — next time(?) Dick Hunt did well to win the state title and to top it off won the overall high gun. G. Bedington from Tasmania went home with an additional two metres and B. Naylor, T. Price, J. Rose and R. Clarke got one metre.

**HAY, 13-11-77** — Fine (25). 5t DB SS Hcp: T. Eason, M. Graham, R. Stubbs, G. Headon, L. Simpson, I. McLaughlin, G. Trist, R. Johnson, N. Milliken, Max Gibson, D. Nisbet, R. Trist, M. Gibson, F. Martinelli, W. Pryor. 20t DB Gun Club Cup Hcp: N. Headon 45-45, Mav Gibson 44-45, I. Curtayn 33-34. 10t SB Club Mug Hcp: R. Trist. 10pr DR SS F. Headon 18-20. Max Gibson 17-20, F. Martinelli 16-20.

Night - 10t DB SS: W. Pryor, N. Headon, T. Eason, T. Dawson, J. Headon. 20t DB Mitchell Cup Hcp: T. Eason 20-20, N. Headon 19-20, I. Curtayn 22-24.

**ILLAWARRA DISTRICT, 30-10-77** — Overcast and windy (24). Mugs Cup 10t PS 16m: 8 possibles. After a shoot-off K. Perkins 35-35, 20t SS 16m: 7 possibles R. Castle, M. Hogan, M. Galli, F. Rapley, F. Bradwell, R. Webb and L. Lee. Wongawilli DD C'ship: 3 possibles After a shoot-off D. Watchorn and R. Reid 56-56, K. Edwards and R. Castle 55-56.

**ILLAWARRA, 13-11-77** — Fine and windy (35). 10t EO 18m: 17 possibles. Arkwright Shield 20t 18m: J. Maxwell 123-123, W. Jones 122-123, K. Edwards 33-34; FM C. Azzopardi 18-20. 15t DB Hcp Trophy: I. Shelton 62-62, R. Duncan 61-62, W. Jones 54-55; FM G. Sperring 25-26; BM J. Maxwell 27-28. Lake Illawarra DB C'ship 20t: W. Jones 156-156, M. Galli 155-156, R. Duncan 109-110; FM K. O'Brien 30-31. Two man team J. Maxwell, W. Jones 130-130; High Gun W. Jones 71-71.

**LAKE CARGELLIGO, 6-11-77** — Fine and warm (20). 20t Black Swan DB C'ship: OA & 'A' A. Turner Jnr 23-23, 'B' B. Boyd 26-27, 'C' R. Orr 17-20. 20pr Lake Cargelligo DD C'ship: L. Morris and J. Scott 24-24, R. Jenkins and A. Turner Jnr 23-24. 20t \$150 Hcp: D. Menck 20-20, R. Orr 19-20, N. Williamson, O. Phelps 18-20.

High Gun was won by Arthur Turner Jnr.

**MENINDEE, 28-10-77** — Excellent (30). Double Rise EO: P. Smith 9-10, A. Johnston 8-10, D. Gates 8-10. Deauville Doubles C'ship: J. Hall and E. Owens 16prs, A. Johnston and D. Smith 15prs. B. & D. Barber Mobil Gift: K. Hoskins 30-30, P. Smith 29-30, J. Smaniotto 24-25; FM S. Dowling. Club W-U C'ship: J. Caskey 12-16, D. Smith 11-16, R. Zanette 11-16; FM G. Dowling.

Good attendance for a good day's shooting. Pleased to see E. Owens win his first sash after 20 years of dedicated shooting. Congratulations Eddy, all round.

**NEW ENGLAND, 13-11-77** — Fine, mild (53). 10t PS 16m: Ray Hammond, Jim Pearson and Rex Varley 30-30. Northern N.E. District SB C'ship: 'C' & OA 20-21, Ray Sweeney; 'A' Don Anderson 19-21; 'B' Bert Campion. 11-12m Trophy Kerry Sweeney 16-20; 13-14m trophy Cyril Smith. Northern N.E. District DB C'ship: 'B' & OA Phil Harris; 'A' Ray Hammond; 'C' Don Reeves. 11-12m Trophy Vic Raszweski; 13-14m Trophy Alan Post. Festival '77 Hcp 30t: Col Varley, Angus Mitchell, 30-30 D. Ellis, John Lane, 29-30 11-12m Trophy Kerry Sweeney; best 13-14m trophy Norm Reeves.

Waterloo Station High Gun and IMI badge won by Col Varley with a score of 75-80. The Superair 11-14m High Gun Trophy won by Alan Post with a score of 70-80. Don and Frances Hall aggregate high gun trophy for 1977 won by Noel Campion.

**NSW, 29-10-77** — Hot and windy (19). Sydney Dist DB Cont. C'ship: 1st & OA Tom Hault 30-30, 2nd Dennis Mackie 30-30, 3rd Kevin Loy 29-30. Bob Droder Cont. Shield (teams of 5): 1st Wakehurst Gun Club - C. Hawkins, J. Cooper, A. Jerfy, D. Mackie, P. Lee 81-100; 2nd Marconi Gun Club 80-100; 3rd NSW Gun Club 79-100.

A very hot and windy day made shooting difficult but there was some very good shooting. Congratulations to all the winners. It was a very poor attendance and we hope to see a lot more shooters at our next shoots.

**NSW, 12-11-77** — Fine (58). 20t PS C'ship 16m: 'A' & OA K. Loy 60-60, 'B' A. Green 58-60, 'C' G. Schreiber 56-60; Ladies Miss S. Abbott 49-60. 20t SB C'ship 16m: 'A' & OA S. Zuffo 20-20, 'B' R. Crumpton 18-20, 'C' I. McCleay 18-20; Ladies Mrs S. Heath 18-20. 20t DB C'ship 16m: 'A' & OA D. Mackie 46-46, 'B' A. Jerfy 20-20, 'C' G. Schreiber 27-30; Ladies Mrs G. Schreiber 18-20. High Gun: K. Loy 99-100.

Congratulations to all graded and ladies winners. Our appreciation to all donors of trophies for our 3rd Annual Charity Shoot.

**NSW, 13-11-77** — Fine (43). 20t DB C'ship 16m: 'A' & OA C. Grima 40-40, 'B' A. Jerfy 20-20, 'C' A. Mower 19-20; Ladies Miss A. Craighead 15-20. 30t DB Charity Hcp: B. Naylor 33-34, K. Biggs 32-34, R. Hayes 60-62; over 60 years A. Jerfy 26-30, K. Mayer 25-30, C. Hlavaty 22-30;



# HAY GUN CLUB

N.S.W.  
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## EASTER CARNIVAL

Saturday, Sunday, Monday, 25th, 26th & 27th March, 1978

- Saturday commencing 9 a.m.**
- Event 1 \$200 HANDICAP 20t DB CD Nom. \$6.00
- Event 2 HAY DISTRICT DB C'SHIP 20t 16m 1st Trophy & Sash, 2nd, 3rd & FM Trophies. Optional Sweep \$1.00. Nom. \$6.00
- NIGHT**
- Event 3 BUDGEWAH HANDICAP 15t DB 1st \$500, 2nd \$250, 3rd \$150, 4th \$100, 5th \$50. Optional Sweep \$1.00. Nom. \$15.00
- Sunday commencing 10.30 a.m.**
- Event 4 RIVERINA ZONE DD C'SHIP 20t 1st & 2nd trophies. Optional Sweep \$1.00. Nom. \$6.00
- Event 5 RIVERINA ZONE DB CONT. C'SHIP 16m 1st, 2nd & 3rd trophies. Optional Sweep \$1.00. Nom. \$6.00

- Monday commencing 9 a.m.**
- Event 6 HAY GUN CLUB EASTER GIFT 30 Targets DB Handicap 1st \$800, 2nd \$500, 3rd \$400. Nom. \$30.00
- Seven metric groups 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18, 19-20, 21-22, 23-25. 1st \$100. Winners of 1st and 2nd and 3rd trophies not eligible for group trophies. Optional Sweep \$3.00.
- Event 7 HAY DISTRICT SB C'SHIP 20t 16m 1st Trophy & Sash, 2nd, 3rd & FM trophies. Optional Sweep \$1.00. Nom. \$6.00
- HIGH GUN EVENTS 1 2 3 5 6 & 7.
- BREDA SHIELD: Teams of 5 shooters held on event one.
- Free camping facilities available, continuous snack bar throughout shoot, social Sunday night.

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Junior trophy D. Fuller. 10pr DR C'ship: 'A' & OA A. Alvaro 20-20, 'B' R. Crumpton 18-20, 'C' G. Bedington 17-20. 20pr DD 20m: A. Alvaro and J. Guberina, G. Hitchin and R. McAllister. High Gun M. Fuller 62-70; Overall High Gun J. Guberina 154-170.

**ORANGE, 29-10-77** — Very windy (36). DB Hcp SS: 2 shooters shared. PS Trophy: Peter Godfrey (Bathurst), R. Stanford (Orange), Bob Smith (Orange). O.G. & F.C. SB C'ship: 3 shooters shot 18-20 after shoot-off Max Laughton (Orange), J. Scott (Dubbo), R. Flynn (Orange). 10pr DR SS: Eric Vincent 18-20 (Tumut).

**ORANGE, 30-10-77** — Very windy (36). 10t Gun Warmer SS: 7 shared. O.G. & F.C. Championship of Champions: Jim Smith (Orange) 58-60, Brian Walton (Gulgandra) 57-60, M. Williams (after 3-way shoot-off). Calcutta 5t: Bob Smith (Orange), Max Laughton (Orange), Ray Flynn (Orange). 10t Hcp Trophy Event: R. Parker (Orange), P. Godfrey (Bathurst), Bob Smith (Orange). High Gun won outright by J. Smith from Max Laughton.

The Club held a most successful two-day shoot over last weekend with some 36 shooters participating. The weather turned cold and rainy on Saturday afternoon. Seventy people attended the barbecue and calcutta drawing on Saturday night. Visiting shooter from Guyra, Gulgandra, Dubbo, Illawarra, Cowra, Bathurst, Goulburn, NSW Gun Club. Sunday was finer but the tricky strong wind upset a lot of early shooting. Shooters shot very well in spite of the wind.

Support from the local business houses by way of trophies was appreciated not only by the club but also by the shooter with their name on the trophy list. The club has gained the best profit to date from this shoot due partly to our trophy donors, ladies who gathered for the lunch and afternoon teas, the successful evening on Saturday night and the hard work and dedication of our local members.

**RANKINS SPRINGS, 20-11-77** — Cloudy, warm (21). 5t EO Hcp: 12 divided. 15t Hamper Trophy Hcp: B. Minos 35-35, E. Heffernan 34-35, R. Bartholomew 22-23. 10t PS SS 16m: T. Merriman, L. Anderson 30-30, L. Bonaventura, J. Harman, L. Brissenden, J. Irvine 29-30. 10t Cont 16m: T. Merriman, C. Strike, R. Lord, J. Irvine 10-10.

Terry Merriman won the High Gun with only one target down for the day.

**ROYAL AERO, 5-11-77** — Very windy, overcast (45). Aztec 100: Winchester Carnival - Day 1: 'A' W. Jones 100-100, J. Maxwell 105-108; 'B' C. Spence 102-107, B. Conduit 101-107; 'C' J. Szabo 95-100, W. Valentine 93-100. High Gun: W. Jones.

**ROYAL AERO, 6-11-77** — Overcast (81). Winchester Carnival - Day 2. 20t CD: 22 possible. Winchester Tournament (see enclosed sheet). Reoranger 150 PS: 'A' & OA B. Kable 225-225, W. Jones 224-225; 'B' J. Nascimben 144-150, C. Spence 143-150; 'C' W. Rogers 141-150, W. Horton 161-174. High Guns: Day 1 W. Jones 100-100; Day 2 W. Jones 201-201; Overall W. Jones 301-301.

Congratulations to Bill Jones on superb shooting — a perfect score over two days in windy conditions is hard to beat. We were very pleased to welcome National ACTA Secretary Noel Southey to Royal Aero.

**ROYAL AERO, 20-11-77** — Humid and overcast (22). Shoot-off Trophy Hcp 23-10-77: L. Trew 35-35, M. Galli 34-35, K. Northcott 16-17, Georges River Mixed Tpts C'ship: 'A' & OA A. Ansell 36-40, 'B' J. Szabo 23-25, 'C' W. Rogers 19-25. County of Cumberland DR C'ship: 'A' & OA L. Trew 19-20, 'B' L. Galea 21-24, 'C' W. Rogers 21-28. Royal Aero Club Hcp Trophy: E. Woods 37-37, D. Facer 36-37, S. Toson 25-26. High Gun: L. Trew 61-65.

**TUMUT, 13-11-77** — Fine (29). 10t DB: K. Longmore, A. Baker, D. Holden, D. Clout, J. Power, M. Twomey, A. McKenzie, S. Bateman 10-10. Tumut Gun Club DB C'ship: OA A. McKenzie 70-70, 'A' E. Vincent 69-70, 'B' J. Longmore 41-42, 'C' D. Sturt 22-23. 10t DB Cont.: E. Vincent, J. Longmore, K. Longmore, K. Woodbridge, G. Keir, B. Rooke, J. Power, B. Mayo, A. McKenzie, N. Hackett 10-10. Tumut Dist DB Cont C'ship: OA G. Keir 34-34, 'A' J. Power 33-34, 'B' J. Longmore 37-38, 'C' S. Bateman 19-21. High Gun: G. Keir 67-68.

Perfect conditions provided some top class shooting. Both Championships were keenly contested in all grades. Duck Sturt has broken the ice and gained his first grade championship. Greg Keir has regained his form and now trails Kevin Woodbridge by one target in our Vincent Yearly High Gun Trophy. This trophy will be decided at our December shoot.

**TYAGARAH, 6-11-77** — Cloudy and windy (15). 10t DB 16m: G. Parker, D. Sloan, R. Turner 10-10. 20t DB Black Rock C'ship: D. Sloan 21-21, G. Parker 20-21, J. Dyker 28-30; FM B. Nelson 13-20. 20pr DD 20m: H. Sagesse and J. Duyker, G. Parker and D. Sloan. 30t DB Cash Hcp: B. Nelson 30-30, D. Sloan 28-30, H. Sagesse, J. Duyker, J. Ferrett, R. Turner 27-30.

**WAGGA, 22-10-77** — Fine and warm (68). 25t Skeet EO: 11 shooters 25-25. 50t NSW Skeet Teams Elim.: T. Patterson, W. Charlton, A. Summers, W. Iles, E. Vincent, E. Hawkins and K. Lowry 50-50. NSW Skeet Team - T. Patterson, R. Clark, E. Vincent, E. Hawkins, K. Bosanko, R. Snow, E. Kavenagh, R. Melville, G. Baylis, A. Hayes, C. Burt, K. Perkins, B. Rooke, D. Watchorn, J. Ellis.

## Grenfell Gun Club 7th August 1977

The Grenfell Gun Club won the Ampol Shield for the fifth consecutive time on 7th August. The winning team is pictured above, and includes (l to r) Clive Anderson, Roger Darwon, Bill Spiers, Laurie Doyd, and Mick Summerfield. The team's score was 93/100.



# TAREE - WINGHAM GUN CLUB

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## THIRD ANNUAL THREE - DAY OPEN TRENCH SHOOT AND N.S.W. I.S.U. INTERSTATE TRAP TEAMS MATCH

**Australia Day Week-End**  
**Saturday, Sunday, Monday**  
**28th, 29th, 30th January, 1978**  
commencing 9.00 a.m. each day

### SATURDAY 28th JANUARY

THIRD ANNUAL TAREE-WINGHAM GUN CLUB  
I.S.U. TRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP (first 75 targets)

### SUNDAY 29th JANUARY

THIRD ANNUAL TAREE-WINGHAM GUN CLUB  
I.S.U. TRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP (final 25 targets)  
N.S.W. NORTHERN ZONE I.S.U. TRENCH CHAM-  
PIONSHIP (first 50 targets).

(N.S.W. Interstate I.S.U. Trap Team to be selected from 1st 50 targets of Northern Zone Championship — 6 man team)

### MONDAY 30th JANUARY

N.S.W. NORTHERN ZONE I.S.U. TRENCH CHAM-  
PIONSHIP (final 50 targets).

Following completion of the above Championships (total of 200 targets) the N.S.W. Interstate Team then to shoot 50 targets — 6 man team — 5 top scores to count. Each team member to receive badge.

BADGE FIRST, TROPHIES FOR AA, A, B & C GRADE ON BOTH CHAMPIONSHIPS. HIGH GUN OVER WHOLE OF PROGRAM (200 targets). THE 200 TARGETS TO COUNT AS A QUALIFYING ROUND FOR OVERSEAS TEAM.

Lunch, refreshments and cartridges available on ground  
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# BROKEN HILL GUN CLUB

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P.O. BOX 139, BROKEN HILL.

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## THE ELEY WARATAH STATE CLASSIC (North-West Division)

**Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th February, 1978**

**SATURDAY 25th 10.30 a.m.**

Nom. \$17.00

### PRE NATIONALS BARRIER C'SHIP

100 Targets 16 m Graded.

TO BE CONDUCTED...

50 T DOUBLE BARREL 50 T SINGLE BARREL

Optional Sweep \$1.00 each 50 targets.

1st & 2nd Trophy each grade — Sash each grade.

**SUNDAY 26th 9.30 a.m.**

### ELEY WARATAH STATE CLASSIC (NORTHWEST DIVISION)

30 Targets Double Barrel 16 m

Nom. Seniors \$10.00; Juniors \$5.00

*Trophies donated by Eley Ammunition*

1st Luigi Franchi Model 500 Gas Auto Valued \$402.

2nd J.G. Anschutz Model 1450 .22 Repeater Valued \$120.

3rd 250 Eley Special Trap Cartridges Valued \$68.

Ladies 1st engraved trophy Valued \$70.

Juniors 1st engraved Trophy Valued \$70.

**TOTAL TROPHY VALUE \$730.**

The winner of this division will recommence shooting and record a long run break. In addition to his division trophy the N.S.W. resident shooter who records the longest break of the six winners will receive a return air ticket to the 1979 Nationals at Griffiths to receive "The Eley Waratah State Classic High Gun 1978". As an alternative Eley Ammunition will pay nominations for the overall winner at the Nationals 1979.

HIGH GUN Trophy & Sash will be conducted over the advertised program.

ACCOMMODATION: Contact John Hall, Phone 95389 Bus Hrs Only.  
There is ample Hotel and Motel Accommodation available in the city.

**CALL IN ON YOUR WAY TO THE NATIONALS!**

Visitors can meet the local members at the Musicians Club,  
Crystal Street, 8 p.m. Friday night.

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Affiliate

# PARKES GUN CLUB

## ★ WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT ★

### WINCHESTER SHOOTING CARNIVAL

**Saturday 11th, Sunday 12th February, 1978**

**Saturday commencing 1 p.m.**

Event 1 10 TARGET DB EYE OPENER 16 m Nom. \$2.00

Event 2 WINCHESTER CARNIVAL DB CHAMPIONSHIP Nom. \$5.50

20 targets off 16 m

1st Badge and Trophy, 2nd, 3rd, F.M. 50c each 10, 50c OA (\$1.50)

Event 3 20 TARGET DB TROPHY HANDICAP Nom. \$5.00

1st, 2nd, 3rd, FM 11-13m, BM 21-25m. 50c each 10, 50c OA (\$1.50)

**Sunday commencing 9.30**

Event 4 10 TARGET DB EYE OPENER 16 m Nom. \$2.00

Event 5 10 TARGET DB EYE OPENER 16 m Nom. \$18.00

## WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT

30 targets Double Barrel off 16 m

1st 1051 Winchester Super X 5 shot automatic 30" full choke barrel plus spare 26" skeet barrel VALUE \$511. Sash and location winner badge 2nd Little Big Horn 44.40 Commemorative Rifle VALUE \$299; 3rd 140085 Model 1400 auto shotgun (vent rib Winchoke) VALUE \$269; 4th MEC 600 Jnr shotshell reloader VALUE \$129; 5th No. 25 Trailblazer Gun Bag VALUE \$52.; 6th to 10th 1000 AA Wads and 1000 AA primers VALUE \$36.

Best 11-15 metre shooter: MEC 600 Jnr reloading press plus badge VALUE \$129.

Best Lady Shooter: 14" silver salver suitably engraved plus badge VALUE \$63. Best junior shooter under age of 16 years at date of location shoot, also receives 14" silver salver suitably engraved plus badge VALUE \$63.

Location winners eligible for grand final held at 1978 Nationals in Adelaide when overall high gun winner receives Winchester 10185 International pigeon grade O/U trap gun suitably engraved — perpetual cup to hold for one year — replica cup to hold — winners sash and badge.

★ Lady and Junior shooter location winner eligible for grand final held in Adelaide when each respective grand final winner will receive a canteen of cutlery cased and suitably engraved VALUE \$180.

★ Each shooter that enters Winchester Tournament will receive a complementary Winchester Tournament Brassard.

Optional Sweeps \$1.00 each 15 targets \$1 OA (\$3.00)

Event 6 DOUBLE BARREL CASH EVENT Nom. \$7.00

20 targets off 16 metres (Graded)

60% of nominations returned 60%, 30% 10%.

All shooters graded by current ACTA Handicap Card.

TOTAL NOMINATIONS \$39.50

TOTAL SWEEPS \$6.00

### WINCHESTER HIGH GUN EVENT 1 to 6

Cartridges, Meals, Refreshments Available -- Caravan Facilities

For Accommodation contact R. Nock 62 2881.

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**WAGGA, 23-10-77** — Fine and warm (62). NSW Skeet C'ship: W. Iles, B. Rooke, R. Clark. Georges Discount Skeet C'ship: E. Vincent 0-2 W. Charlton, W. Iles; 0-2 hcp B. Rooke, 3-5 hcp V. Phillips, 6-10 hcp G. Guy. NSW UIT Ball Trap C'ship: OA J. Ellis, 'A' W. Iles, 'B' G. Boyd, 'C' B. Bockman.

The Winchester "500" Shield was won by Hawkesbury Gun Club with a score of 363-375. In the teams events NSW defeated Melbourne Gun Club, Hawkesbury defeated Wagga and Victoria defeated NSW. The Skeet High Gun was won by A. Crikis 174-175 and the OA High Gun was won by W. Iles.

**WAGGA, 6-11-77** — Fine and warm (19). 1st Mixed EO: B. Rooke, J. A. Power, N. Hackett 15-15. 60 Mixed Tgt Event: OA B. Dowell 60-60, 'A' J. A. Power 58-60, 'B' M. Miegel 47-60, 'C' R. Percival 57-64.

The High Gun for the day was won by B. Rooke.

**WARREN, 13-11-77** — Fine and warm (18). 10t DB 16m: A. Montgomery, R. Gale, D. Hunt, D. McMillan 10-10. 10t PS Hcp: J. Hunter 63-63, R. Kinsey 60-63, R. Inglis 41-42. 10t DB Mini C'ship: D. Cosgrove 13-14, D. Hunt 12-14, K. Fisher 9-11. 10pr DD Mini C'ship: D. Cosgrove and D. McMillan 10-13, A. Bourke and R. Gale 9-13. 5pr DR 16m: D. Cosgrove 16-10, R. Gale 9-10, J. Hunter, D. Hunt, T. Martin, A. Bourke, P. Brook 8-10. 10t DB Hcp: E. Fisher, T. Martin, R. Kinsey 10-10.

**WEST WYALONG, 15-10-77** — Fair (27). 10t DB PS off 16m CD: R. Dawes, L. Anderson 30-30. 20t DB Trophy: D. Wilson, G. Duncan, D. MacKenzie, 25t Nthrn Riverina Mixed Tgt C'ship: 'A' L. Anderson 22-25, 'B' & OA B. Duncan 23-25, 'C' G. Duncan 20-25; FM J. Patton 18-25. 5t DB off 16m 5pr DR off 16m: V. Kalms 14-15.

**WEST WYALONG, 30-10-77** — Windy (78). Bland District Grand Prix 100 Tgts off Hcp: OA M. Holden (Ganmaine) 96-100, 11-15 B. Hall (Ganmain) 95-100, R. Patterson 95-100; 16-20 V. Kalms 95-100, B. Mayo (Tumut) 94-100; 21-25 D. Hopper 90-100, B. Smith 90-100 (Bungendore). The Club held Opt Sweep on each 25t - Sweep 1 B. Duncan 25-25, G. Bolte 25-25, V. Kalms 25-25; Sweep 2 R. Patterson, M. Holden, B. Hall, R. Hayes 25-25; Sweep 3 R. Hayes, B. Crossman, F. Headon, B. Maya 25-25; Sweep 4 N. Dwight, K. Longmore, R. Lord, B. Donell 25-25.

The attendance was good and the club will now make this event an annual event. M. Holden of Ganmain Gun Club shot well to take out High Gun 96-100.

**WYONG, 24-9-77** — Fine (25). 15t DB Hcp EO: J. Paul, L. Huntington, Ab Morgan all 15-15. 15t DB Hcp CD: Ab Morgan, S. Smith, J. Curtis. 15t DB Hcp 18m: L. Huntington 41-45, L. Watsford 39-45, J. Paul 39-45. 10t DB Cash Hcp: E. Hill 18-18, Alan Morgan 17-18, L. Huntington 13-14; FM Ab Morgan 11-12.

Club now has three Winchester White Flyer Traps all fitted with Continental in operation.

**WYONG, 9-10-77** — Fine and sunny (61). Open Shoot. 15t DB CD 16m: 12 possibles. 30t W.G.C. DB C'ship: OA C. Joass 38-38, 'A' 34-35 T. Turner, 'B' L. Kent 31-32, 'C' S. Smith 37-38; FM L. Huntington 29-30. 10t DB Trophy Hcp: S. Smith 33-33, R. Ward 32-33, J. Avery 27-28; FM G. Jessop 12-13. N.S.W. DB Cont. Mini C'ship: OA K. Thompson 25-30, 'A' C. Bland, 'B' G. Rommell, 'C' S. Smith 22-30; FM R. Dawson 19-30. Overall High Gun K. Thompson 79-85; Ladies Overall High Gun Miss C. Bowman 68-85.

Congratulations to Stewart Smith on a fine exhibition to take out the main trophy event and 'C' grade in both championships. Ces Joass also won the "Lou Gardiner" Memorial Trophy, shot in conjunction with the W.G.C. Double Barrel Championship.

**WYONG, 22-10-77** — Fine (26). 10t DB Hcp EO: R. Bowman, J. Paul, A. Green, L. Huntington, G. Odewhan, J. Curtis, L. Kent 10-10. 20t DB Hcp CD: J. Coughle 20-20. 10t SB 16m: R. Bowman, J. Paul, G. Rommell, L. Huntington, K. Tarrant, I. Coughle 10-10. 10t DB Trophy Hcp: G. Rommell 33-33, M. Tarrant 32-33, K. Tarrant 25-26. 10pr DR: A. Green, L. Kent 18-20.

**YAMBA, 16-10-77** — Showery (27). 10t PS SS: S. Humphreys, S. Spears 30-30. 10t DB Trophy: D. Hancock 10-10, S. Humphreys 16-17, I. Priddle 15-17. 25t PS Shield Teams Event: Yamba No. 1 S. Humphreys, D. Hancock, S. Spears, M. Smith, K. Handsaker Jnr 1st; Lismore No. 2 D. Frost, R. Welsh, K. Handsaker, G. Bennett, A. Rowe 2nd. Shield High Gun S. Spears. Overall High Gun S. Humphreys.

Heavy overcast conditions caused scores to drop particularly in the Stan Turner Shield with the winning score being 320-375. Shooters to stand out were D. Hancock who took out the trophy with the only possible and S. Humphreys scoring 43-45 to win the High Gun.

#### YAMBA GUN CLUB

29th and 30th OCTOBER, 1977

The official opening of our Skeet layout was carried out by the club's Patron, the Shire President Cr. Jim Thompson, who after the usual formalities fired the opening shot and caused a surprise not only to all present but to himself who is not at present a shooter when the target disintegrated.

Coffs Harbour shooters proved the most successful over the program when Bruce Wenban took out the Northern Zone Night Championship from B. O'Bryan also of Coffs Harbour, and D. Jackes of Guyra.

The Big River District Skeet Championship was won by R. Palmer of Coffs Harbour with the only possible. Rex Varley (Guyra) survived the shoot-off to run second with 30-31 from Ray Starr 29-31.

The Winchester Shield Teams Shoot went to Coffs Harbour team of B. Wenban, R. Palmer, W. McCarthy, Mrs C. McCarthy and D. Secombe 115-120 from Yamba No. 2 team and Guyra team third.

The Winchester Shield was presented to the winning team by their Rep. Adrian Brown who was most impressed by the keenness and interest shown in the event.

Yamba members are keen to avenge their defeat and intend to practice for the next competition for the shield at Coffs Harbour during the long weekend in January.

### PRELIMINARY NOTICE LEETON GUN CLUB RICE BOWL FESTIVAL SHOOT Easter Sunday, 26th March, 1978

Full program February issue.

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## POOR WEATHER OFFSET BY GREAT HOSPITALITY AT ROYAL AERO ROUND OF WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT

Royal Aero Gun Club Society was the venue for a feast of DTL shooting during the week-end of November 5th and 6th. About the only arrangement that came undone was the order for good weather! Obviously it got lost because of the Redfern mail exchange industrial dispute and the result was some of the most appalling weather conditions imaginable.

Saturday's program opened with the "Aztec 100" graded trap event, running over a course of 100 targets. The humidity was as high as the temperature, and a very hot gusty westerly made targets difficult to hit with any degree of regularity. A field of nearly fifty entered and despite the weather some very good performances were produced. Bill Jones from Illawarra was the winner after a great tussle in the shoot off.

Sunday saw the feature event, the Winchester Tournament commence after a 50 target graded point score event. The preliminary was won by Barry Kable (225/225 points) from consistent Bill Jones (224/225) while B Grade was won by J. Nasobin and C Grade by W. Rogers.

The Winchester Tournament attracted only 74 entries and this is a very small figure for a city which is bursting with three million people. However, the lack of quantity was more than offset by quality and although weather conditions were still rough, Bill Jones continued to dominate and racked up 96 targets to win from Kevin Loy (95/96) and Wally Maryska 102/103. Malcolm Fuller filled fourth place with 101/103.

The highlights of the weekend were the way in which the Royal Aero Committee entertained the visitors, but perhaps more importantly, the performance of Bill Jones. He broke 301 consecutive targets during the program to create what is believed to be a new National Break Record (Metric). To establish a record is no mean feat, but to do it under such poor conditions was a freak performance.

Keep it up now Bill — the National Championships aren't far off!



Bill Jones (left) still in shock after breaking 301 consecutive targets. He has just been presented with the Winchester High Gun Silver Tray by N.S.W. Sales Manager for Winchester, Bill Shelton.



Sue Heath, popular secretary of R.A.C. Gun Society shoots well also! Frank Smith pins on the Winchester Tournament "Best Lady Shooter" medal.

(photos by courtesy of Clive Shaw)

## COFFS HARBOUR GUN CLUB

presents

### THE ELEY WARATAH STATE CLASSIC

Northern Division

7th and 8th JANUARY, 1978

Saturday 7th January 9 a.m. start

Event 1 10 TGT DOUBLE BARREL CD off Hcp Nom. \$4.00

Event 2 20 TGT BANANA COAST DB C'SHIP 16m Nom. \$6.00

Trophies overall & A B C grades. Trophy: FM & Best Lady. Opt Sweep 50c ea 10 tgts \$1.00.

Event 3 20 TGT PS Trophy Event off Hcp Nom. \$10.00

1st, 2nd 3rd Opt Sweeps 50c ea 10 tgts \$1.00

Event 4 15PR NTHRN ZONE DR C'SHIP 16m Nom. \$8.00

Trophies A B C Grades. Badge & Trophy Overall. Opt Sweeps 50c ea 5 pair \$1.50.

COMPLIMENTARY SEAFOOD  
BARBECUE TEA

HIGH GUN OVER WHOLE PROGRAM  
Trophies Best 11-14m, 15-18m, 19-25m.

Cartridges, Lunch & Refreshments Available.

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Phone: 53 1120.

The Club reserves the right to alter the Program.

Sunday 8th January 9 a.m. start

Event 5 10 TGT SB CD off 16m Nom. \$4.00

Event 6 20 T BANANA COAST SB C'SHIP 16m Nom. \$6.00

TROPHIES Overall and A B C Grades

Trophy: Best FM & Best Lady. Opt Sweeps 50c ea 10tgts \$1.00.

Event 7 Seniors & Ladies Juniors under 18 Years Nom. \$10.00

"THE ELEY WARATAH STATE CLASSIC"  
30 Targets off 16m.

Trophies donated by Eley Ammunition. 1st Luigi Franchi Mod 500 Auto Shotgun valued \$402, 2nd J. G. Anschutz Mod. 1450 .22 Repeater valued \$120, 3rd 250 IMI Special Trap Cartridges valued \$68, Ladies 1st Engraved Trophy valued \$70, Juniors 1st Engraved Trophy valued \$70.

TOTAL TROPHY VALUE \$730

The shooter with the highest break in N.S.W. and being a N.S.W. Registered shooter at one of the six Division Shoots will receive a Return Air Ticket to the Nationals to receive "The Eley Waratah State Champion" Trophy.

Event 8 30 TGT.DB CASH HCP Nom. \$15.00

Secretary: D. Davis,  
P.O. Box 564, Coffs Harbour 2450.  
Phone 52 2429.





## VICTORIA

**ALEXANDRA, 5-11-77** — Cold and windy (30). 10t DB EO SS: shared by N. Sheard, D. Coghill, R. Elward, A. Sheard, R. English, R. Lambden, R. McAuliffe, 20t DB C'ship Hcp: G. Newton 21-21, R. McAuliffe 20-21, R. English 28-29; BM J. Newton 18-20, 5pr DR SS: J. Newton 9-10, C. Kneebone and R. English 8-10, Goulburn Valley DD Night C'ship: B. Bockman and J. Sojkowski 33-33, J. Blakeny and P. McNair 35-36, 20t DB 16m: 11-16m A, White 19-20, I. Roberts and G. Meuleman 17-20; 17-25m I. Hale 20-20, P. McNair 19-20.

Our first twilight shoot for the year, saw G. Newton win the Components Handicap. Under lights, the Goulburn Valley DD was keenly contested and after a long shoot-off was won by B. Bockman and J. Sojkowski.

**ARARAT, 30-10-77** — Fine and sunny (65). Golden Gateway DB C'ship 15t: L. Gibson 80-80, J. Shepherd 79-80, I. Jones 50-51, 15t Hcp: B. Jennings 61-61, A. Wilson 60-61, S. Johnston 43-44; FM G. Leslie 20-21, Ararat v. Sebastopol Team Shoot: Ararat No. 1 D. Crouch, A. Biggen, R. Westfield 69-75, N. Rickard, B. Harris; Bebas No. 1 and No. 2 67-75; Ararat No. 3 66-75; Ararat No. 3 64-75, Off-The-Box: L. Stephens and H. Mitchell.

**BAIRNSDALE, 12-11-77** — Fine - Day and Night Shoot (33). 10t Cont Pts: B. Crane 30-30, J. Aukema 28-30, N. Elliott 26-30, Club Champion of Champions 50t: H. Klein 43-50, L. Curtis 41-50, J. Saunders 58-69, Cake Shoot: M. Howard.

Night Shoot, Attendance 26, 1st Event 5t EO Pts: J. Saunders, S. Gibbs 15-15, J. Aukema, G. Miller, H. Klein 14-15, 2nd event, Club DB Night C'ship: P. Crute 20-20, C. Ellis 21-22, L. Hine 20-22, Cake Shoot: S. Gibbs.

OA Day and Night High Gun: H. Klein. Congratulations to Henry and also to Phil on their championship wins.

**BENDIGO, 29-10-77** — Perfect (27). 10t DB Hcp EO: divided by L. Harrington, R. Honeychurch, M. Davis, R. Hooper, Club Walk-Up Championship: G. Ashman 22-25, A. Holland 21-25, 5pr DR 5 from 16m, 5 from hcp: divided by G. Ashman, R. Honeychurch.

Bendigo Club conducted an extra shoot in October when a very poor crowd attended. The Walk-Up Championship saw G. Ashman, A. Holland shoot 18-20. In a short shoot-off G. Ashman took out the sash. The Clubs 4th layout is finished and will soon be used by district shooters on a regular basis.

**BENDIGO, 5-11-77** — Strong windy conditions (73). 10t EO Junior C'ship in conj.: divided by A. James, W. Coulson, R. Leach, L. Brown, T. Sheppard, J. Bell, C. Knight, G. Solomano, G. Ashman, Raywood DB C'ship over 50, sash in conj.: 'A' & OA G. Ashman 34-34, G. Solomano 33-34; 'B' B. Santon 19-20, C. Alderson 23-25; 'C' R. McGreehan 22-24, A. Wilcock 22-25, 20t Hcp: K. Shields 37-37, A. Jack 36-37, I. Holschier; BM G. Ashman 21-22.

Seventy-three shooters contested in strong windy conditions at Bendigo Club, November Day Shoot. Graeme Ashman shot the program including the Handicap for 21m. Glen Garland 9-10 took the Club Junior (under 16 years) Championship and Dave Rumbold 15-10 took out the over 50 sash. The championship was shot from 18m to pick a squad to shoot in the Zone Championships. Other results as above the fourth layout is completed and will be tested very soon.

**BENDIGO, 19-11-77** — Perfect night (48). 10t Twilight Hcp: divided by 12 shooters. Club DD Night C'ship: I. Poole and L. Jobling 20-20, G. Ashman and B. Santon 42-43, 15t Hcp: C.

## ECHUCA GUN CLUB

(VIC.)

(Affiliated A.C.T.A.)

**SUNDAY, JAN. 8th, 1978**  
(12.30 p.m.)

Event 1 **10 TARGET EYE OPENER** Nom. \$1.50

Event 2 **20T BAMAWM EXTENSION DISTRICT DB CHAMPIONSHIP** Nom. \$5.00

1st Sash & Trophy 2nd 3rd. (50c ea 10) OS \$1.

Event 3 **20 TARGET DB HCP** Nom. \$8.00

1st Deepfreeze \$300, 2nd Gas BBQ \$100, 3rd 3-Man Tent \$45.

Ladies event shot in conj. 1st, 2nd, 3rd OA \$50; BM Trophy \$20.

(50c ea 10) OS \$1.

Event 4 **BAMAWM EXTENSION DISTRICT 20 T SB C'SHIP** Nom. \$5.00

1st Sash & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd (50c ea 10) OS \$1.

All Proceeds to Bamawm Extension new Hall.

Committee Reserve the right to alter Program.

Afternoon Tea.

J. Pola, Pres. L. Hanrahan, Sec.

Kyabram Echuca

(058) 52 2452. (054) 82 2418

R. Angove, Organising Committee

(054) 83 2236

## WANGARATTA GUN CLUB

## WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT

**SATURDAY 21st JANUARY**  
starting time 10 a.m.

Event 1 **15 TGT DB TROPHY HANDICAP** Nom. \$4.50

Optional Sweep \$1.00.

Event 2 **WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT** Nom. \$18.00

**30 Targets from 16 m**

1st 1051 Winchester Super X Auto sash and location badges; 2nd Little Big Horn 44.40 Comm. Rifle; 3rd 140085 - Model 1400 Auto; 4th MEC 600J Shotshell re-loader; 5th No. 25 Trailblazer gun bag; 6th to 10th 1,000 AA wads and 1,000 AA primers; Best 11-15m Shooter MEC 600J reloader plus badge; Best Lady Shooter 14" silver salver suitably engraved plus badge; Best Junior Shooter under 16 years of age at date of shoot also receives 14" silver salver suitably engraved plus badge.

Optional Sweep \$1.00.

Event 3 **MAJOR HANDICAP** Nom. \$7.00

**20 TGTS D.B.**

Gun for 1st prize; BM Trophy. Optional Sweep \$1.00.

Event 4 **WANGARATTA G.C. DD CHAMPIONSHIP** Nom. \$5.00

**20 PRS FROM 20 m**

Optional Sweep \$1.00.

**Location: Rear Vine Hotel, Nth Wangaratta.**

Counter Lunch & Tea Available.

Afternoon Tea Available.

President:  
J. Cooper,  
24 Cavanagh Street,  
Wangaratta.

Secretary:  
Stanley B. Stafford,  
P.O. Box 334,  
Wangaratta.

Johnson 37-37, A. Jack 36-37, D. Howden 23-24; BM M. Barnes, N. Frankling divided 14-15. Bendigo Clubs November Night Shoot saw 48 shooters compete in perfect weather conditions. Only one pair Lindsay Jobling and Ian Poole shot the possible in the Deauville Doubles Championship and took the sashes with three pair shooting 19-20. Cliff Johnson returning after a illness took out the Handicap after a good shoot-off.

**CALLAWADDA, 19-11-77** — Fine (40). Graded Hcp: 11-15m P. Hewitt, A. Castle, K. Willey; 16-19m R. Pitt, R. Bell, G. Skinner; 20-25m L. Gibson, R. Newell, R. Wimshurst. Night: Southern Wimmera DB C'ship: 1st OA J. Clark, 1st 'A' L. Johnston, P. Scott; 'B' R. Young, J. Witney; 'C' M. Martin, P. Hewitt. FM trophy L. Stephens.

**HMAS CERBERUS, 6-11-77** — Fine (21). 10t Pts: B. Woodward 30-10, C. Carrol 29-10, A. Chandler, G. Roxburgh 28-10. 20t SB: K. Dawson 20-20, J. Noy 18-20, A. Chandler 19-23. 10t DB: J. Smollen 19-19, P. Miller 18-19, P. Noy 41-43. 10t Hcp: A. Chandler 35-35, G. Burris 34-35, M. Charlsworth 17-18.

The club shoots the first Sunday of each month. K. Dawson 011904 is now B.17; P. Miller 011902 is now C.12.

**COHUNA, 31-10-77** — Cool, fine (60). Gunbower Island SB C'ship: F. James 29-30, P. Crute 28-30, D. Rumbold 24-26; FM F. Crute 18-21. 20t Hcp: K. Fletcher 29-29, G. Myers 28-29, W. Koopman 24-25; yard prizes - 11-14 J. Allison 37-38, 15-17 M. Newell 49-50, 18-21 B. Felstead 24-24, 22-25 F. James 17-20. 10t Hcp: K. Hipwell 25-25, W. Hester 24-25, P. Davies 21-22; FM T. Hill (Junior) 24-25. Major Mitchell DD C'ship: F. James 20-20, R. Allen 20-20, P. Crute 19-20, F. Crute 19-20. Off Fence Mens High Gun, Ladies High Gun: Day - S. Armstrong, night - J. Hipwell divided between B. Reade, M. Newell 47-50, N. Brown 23-50.

The Boomerang Shield was successfully defended by Cohuna No. 3 team - B. Reade, C. Bowman, D. Brown, A. Myers, A. Myers 95-100; 2nd team was Cohuna No. 1; 3rd team Rushworth No. 1.

**COHUNA, 4-11-77** — Cool, fine (53). Novice: R. Saunders 22-23, G. Greiner 21-22. Cohuna District SB C'ship: C. Knight 20-20, M. Newell 27-27, J. Doyle 26-28; FM O. Allison 18-20, J. Brown Trophy 10t Hcp: C. Lee 20-20, G. Kerr 20-20; C. Penno 27-28; FM J. Allison 22-23. Off Fence: S. Martin.

**COHUNA, 21-11-77** — Cool, fine (50). Novice: B. Billing 10-10, A. Turner 24-25. Club DB Mini C'ship: R. Fowler 20-21, S. Kerr 19-21, C. Knight 29-32; FM J. Allison 19-22. IMI Trophy Hcp: R. Fowler 24-24, C. Penno 23-24, C. Lee 21-22; FM L. Bernard 19-20. Off Fence: C. Bowman.

**COLAC, 5-11-77** — Fine, bright and windy (21). 10t Pts: three shooters divided. Colac Show Day C'ship: OA D. Patterson 83-83, 'A' J. Dickens 82-83, 'B' R. Light 43-44, 'C' D. Bramley 24-25. Cash Hcp: divided K. Wright, R. Light, L. Vietch, P. Stinchcombe and H. Renkin.

Not a large crowd but scores show the talent was of a high standard. David Patterson, like his father Norm is an excellent shot, but found very strong opposition in the ever reliable Ian Dickens.

**COLBINABBIN, 12-11-77** — Warm, cloudy, slight wind (23). 20t DD C'ship: I. Poole and C. Knight 19-20, I. Reid and A. Hipwell 18-20. 20t Hcp Event: N. Carboon 25-25, J. Honeysett 24-25, J. Ferguson 22-23; FM W. Raglus 20-21.

**COSGROVE, 12-11-77** — Perfect (40). Charity shoot in aid "Guide Dogs For Blind Association". 20t Hcp: L. Lawrence (Cosgrove) 33-34, R. Ruhe (Shepparton) 32-34, R. Newby (Tatura). DB C'ship: 'A' & OA R. Piastrri (Shepparton) 55-55, 'B' E. Matheson (Finley) 53-54, 'C' R. Newby (Tatura) 18-20. Junior Event: Darren Sutherland 16-20.

**DIMBOOLA, 5-11-77** — Warm and windy (27). 30t DR Dist C'ship: 'A' & OA D. Flavell (Jeparit) 25-30, W. Wallace (Dimboola) 26-30; 'B' C. Noske (Dimboola) 24-32, N. McDonald (Dimboola) 23-32; 'C' R. Blake (Mildura) 22-30, A. McKenzie (Dimboola) 21-34. Ladies H. Flavell (Jeparit) 17-30. Juniors A. McKenzie (Dimboola) 18-30. 15t Hcp: N. McDonald 39-39, D. Flavell 36-39, R. Newell 28-29 (Warracknabeal).

## FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIA GUN CLUB MOVES TO NEW GROUND!

### • 3 DTL Grounds • 1 Skeet Ground

This Club will hold its first open program on its new ground on Sunday, 29th January, 1978.

## COME ALONG!!!

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The ground is situated on Rossitter Road, Carum Downs, which is midway between Dandenong and Frankston.

If in doubt about location, see Melways map 98, reference C.9. -- enter from Boundary Road.

## BAIRNSDALE GUN CLUB

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4th

(1.00 p.m.)

STATE (STD) DD C'SHIP

CLUB DR C'SHIP

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5th

(at 12 noon)

2ND ROUND SE ZONE TEAMS SHOOT

20 T CHAMPIONSHIP A B C

20 T HANDICAP 1st, 2nd, 3rd, FM, 22-25m

### SATURDAY, MARCH 4th

DAY — 1.00 p.m.

CLUB CONTINENTAL C'SHIP

DB HANDICAP TROPHY EVENT

NIGHT — at dusk

CLUB DB NIGHT C'SHIP

LOCATION: at Bairnsdale Aerodrome.  
Ample Camping Area.

Pres.: John Leadoux.  
(051) 52 3668.

Sec.: John Saunders,  
P.O. Box 354,  
Bairnsdale. 3875.

## CORIO BAY GUN CLUB

Friend In Hand Road (off Hamilton H'way)

### Official Opening 4th FEBRUARY, 1978

commencing 12.30 p.m.

Event 1 Nom. \$2.50

EYE OPENER 10T CONT. 18m PS

Event 2 Nom. \$8.00

VICTORIAN STATE CONT.  
SB C'SHIP 30T 18m GRADED  
A B C & Overall.

Event 3 Nom. \$4.00

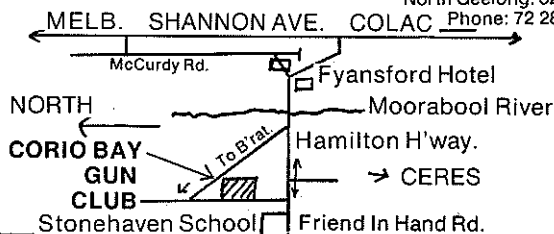
CORIO BAY DB C'SHIP  
20T 16m GRADED  
A B C.

Event 4 Nom. \$2.50

10 T HANDICAP CD  
Time Permitting.

President:  
Gordon Tarbett.  
Phone 78 1526.

Secretary:  
Ken George,  
73 Newton Avenue,  
North Geelong. 3215.  
Phone: 72 2827.



# METROPOLITAN CLAY TARGET CLUB

O'Herns Road, Epping — Phone 401 3134 (Clubrooms)

## JANUARY, 1978, PROGRAM

### Saturday 7th

12.30 start

PRACTICE & NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP  
(No Night Shoot)  
PRACTICE & NOVICE C'SHIP

### Saturday 14th

12.30 start

Event 1	10 TGT PTS E/O CD	Nom. \$2.00
Event 2	EPPING DB CHAMPIONSHIP Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$5.00
Event 3	EPPING 10 TFT TOWER SB C'SHIP Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$4.50
Event 4	20 TGT HANDICAP (Trophy) Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$5.00
Event 5	EPPING 50 TGT SKEET C'SHIP	Nom. \$8.50

### Saturday 21st

12.30 start

PRACTICE & NOVICE C'SHIP

### Saturday Night 21st

7 p.m. start

Event 1	15 TGT TWILIGHT HCP CD	Nom. \$4.50
Event 2	CLUB SUMMER PTS NIGHT C'SHIP Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$5.50
Event 3	CLUB SUMMER DB NIGHT C'SHIP Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$5.50
Event 4	CLUB SUMMER 25 TGT NIGHT SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$6.00

### Sunday 22nd

SEE OTHER NOTICE

### Saturday 28th

12.30 start

Event 1	5 PR DR E/O CD	Nom. \$2.00
Event 2	COBURG DR CHAMPIONSHIP Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$5.00
Event 3	SECRETARY'S DD C'SHIP Optional Sweeps \$2.00 per Double.	Nom. \$5.00
Event 4	COBURG DB C'SHIP GRADED A B C. Sash OA, Ribbons other grades. Trophies 1st & 2nd each grade. Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$5.00
Event 5	COBURG 50 TGT SKEET C'SHIP Open & Restricted. Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$8.50

#### "IMPORTANT NOTE"

All shooters must produce their current A.C.T.A. card, regardless of grade, when shooting at Metro. Clay Target Club.

### Sunday 22nd

11.30 a.m. start

SPECIAL FUND-RAISING SHOOT FOR BALL TRAP INSTALLATION — Barbecue available at \$2.50 per head from 11.30 a.m. till 1.00 p.m. — Shoot will commence 12 noon.

E/O	10 TGT POINTS C.D.	Nom. \$2.00
Event 1	15 TGT WOODSTOCK PTS C'SHIP 1st Sash & 4 kg Nobel powder (2 tins), 2nd 8 imported Winchester duck decoys, 3rd 4 imported Winchester duck decoys; 11-12m & 13-14m 1000 IMI wads. Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$5.00
Event 2	20 TGT WOODSTOCK DB GDED CH. Sash OA winner. Ribbons to grade winners. Trophies each grade are: 1st 2 kg Nobel powder, 2nd 20 kg shot, 3rd 1000 IMI wads. Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$6.00
Event 3	15 TGT HANDICAP 1st 500 latest Browning cartridges, 2nd 250 latest Browning cartridges, 3rd 100 latest Browning cartridges; 20-22m & 23-25m 75 cartridges as above. Optional Sweeps \$1.00.	Nom. \$7.00
Event 4	25 TGT WOODSTOCK SKEET CH. 1st Sash & 2 kg Nobel powder, 2nd 20 kg shot, 3rd 1000 primers; 2-4 & 5-10 groups 500 primers each.	Nom. \$5.50
High Gun over events 1 2 & 3. Sash & 10X shooting jacket (broken targets to count) Value approx. \$50. High Gun over all events, Sash & Trophy.		

The proceeds of this program will be used for the installation of Metro's first U.I.T. Ball Trap Layout. All trophies have been donated by Metro. members and interested shooters therefore the good trophy value for small nominations.

Skeet Practice Every Tuesday Afternoon commencing at 1 o'clock. Ground Fee \$1.50.



President: Ray Shipperlee  
Phone 370 3331 (Private).

Secretary: Bruce Williams,  
25 Warralong Avenue,  
Greensborough.  
Phone 435 0043 (Private)



# NORTHERN & CENTRAL VICTORIAN CIRCUIT SHOOT

JANUARY 28th, 29th & 30th, 1978

## COHUNA GUN CLUB

(Affiliated A.C.T.A.)

**Saturday  
28th January**  
commencing 10 a.m.

Event 1 Nom. \$6.00

COHUNA DIST.  
S/B C'SHIP

Event 2 Nom. \$13.00

20 TARGET  
D/B HANDICAP  
1st Sydchrome tool kit Value \$623,  
2nd Re-loader Value \$100,  
3rd watch Value \$75.  
Yardage prizes: tin of powder  
11-14m 15-17m 18-20m 21-25m  
Boomerang Shield  
to be shot in  
conjunction.  
Teams of five.  
Sashes to winners.  
Ladies Trophy.

OTHER EVENTS  
TIME PERMITTING

### NIGHT

8.30 p.m. start

Event 3 Nom. \$6.00

D/B  
MAJOR MITCHELL  
CHAMPIONSHIP

HANDICAP EVENT  
TIME PERMITTING

Optional Sweeps all events.  
High Gun over events 1 2 3

Lunch, Tea,  
Refreshments,  
Cartridges  
available.

Traps open for practice  
9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Pres:  
C. Bowman.

Sec:  
Mrs V. J. Reade,  
25 William St.  
Cohuna 3568.  
Phone 56 2531.

## ECHUCA GUN CLUB

(Affiliated A.C.T.A.)

**Sunday,  
29th January**  
11 a.m. start

Event 1 Nom. \$6.00

MID SUMMER  
DOUBLE BARREL  
CHAMPIONSHIP  
Optional Sweep \$1.00.

Event 2 Nom. \$7.00

15 TARGET  
HANDICAP  
(shot off 16 m)  
1st 11-18m Winchester Mod 1200 shotgun  
Ret. \$189; 1st 19-25m Winchester Mod 1200  
shotgun Ret \$189, 2nd 11-18m ½ case of  
cartridges, 2nd 19-25m ½ case of  
cartridges.  
Optional Sweep \$1.00

Event 3 Nom. \$6.00

MID SUMMER  
DEAUVILLE DOUBLES  
CHAMPIONSHIP  
Optional Sweep \$1.00.

Afternoon Tea  
& Refreshments  
Available.

The committee reserves the right to alter  
the program.

Pres:  
J. Pola,  
Kyabram.  
Ph: 52 2452.

Sec:  
L. Hanrahan,  
Echuca.  
Ph: 82 2418.

## BENDIGO CLAY TARGET CLUB

(Affiliated A.C.T.A.  
and V.C.T.A.)

**AUSTRALIA DAY  
Monday,  
30th January**  
9 a.m. start

Event 1 Nom. \$2.00

10 TARGET  
DB EYE OPENER CD

Event 2 Nom. \$16.00

Grouped Yardage  
"ELDORADO"  
HANDICAP  
20 tgts from Hcp marks  
11-13m 14-16m 17-19m 20-25m. 1st Trophy  
ea group: Sanyo 16" colour T.V. value  
\$500; 2nd trophy ea group Trophy Value  
\$75. 50c Optional Sweep ea 10 tgts.

Event 3 Nom. \$2.00

10 PR DD  
SWEEP CD

Event 4 Nom. \$12.00

THE GOLDEN CITY  
"BONANZA"  
DD C'SHIP  
20 pr from 20 m  
2 - 1st trophies & Sashes: Sanyo 16" colour  
T.V. Value \$500 ea; 2 - 2nd Trophies Value  
\$75 each. 50c Optional Sweep ea 10 pr.

FURTHER EVENTS  
TIME PERMITTING  
Total Trophy Value  
\$3480.00  
Total Noms. & Sweeps \$34.  
Cartridges, Eats,  
Refreshments available.  
Good facilities  
4 Electric Traps.

Pres:  
Max Barnes.

Hon. Sec.:  
Bruce Santon,  
385 Hargreaves St.,  
Bendigo. (054) 43 4751.



# FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN GUN CLUB

WHERE HOSPITALITY  
IS A BY-WORD

## JANUARY PROGRAM 1978

### Sunday 8th January

commencing at 12 noon

Event 1.	10 Target Points E.O. C/D	Nom. \$3.50
Event 2.	15 Tgt Points C/D	Nom. \$4.50
Event 3.	15 Target Double Barrel C/D	Nom. \$4.50
ALL CASH DAY.		

### Sunday 15th January

commencing at 12 noon

Event 1.	15 Tgt. Chelsea Points D.B. C'ship	Nom. \$4.50
Event 2.	15 Tgt Chelsea D.B. Championship	Nom. \$4.50
Event 3.	10 Target Handicap	Nom. \$3.50

### Sunday 22nd January

commencing at 12 noon

Event 1.	10 Tgt. Points C/D Continental	Nom. \$3.50
Event 2.	20 Tgt. Bayside D.B. Continental	Nom. \$5.00
Event 3.	15 Tgt. Bayside D.B. Championship	Nom. \$5.00

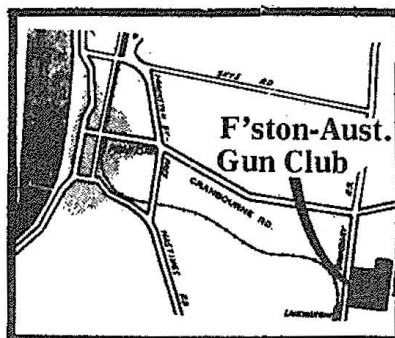
### Sunday 29th January

commencing at 12 noon

Event 1.	10 Target Points Cash Divide	Nom. \$3.50
Event 2.	10 Target Blackburn D.B. Championship	Nom. \$3.50
Event 3.	10 Target Blackburn Single Barrel Championship	Nom. \$3.50
Event 4.	10 Target Handicap	Nom. \$3.50

- Remember — Sunday, 29th January, program will be conducted on new ground — see page 52 for directions

Ammunition and Afternoon Teas  
available at ground.



President:  
Gordon Morgan.  
B.H. 93 2366; Priv. 792 9057.

Secretary:  
Mrs C. Rynsent.  
Phone: 783 2277.

# MELBOURNE GUN CLUB

GROUNDS: Victoria Rd., Lilydale.

P.O. Box 74, Lilydale. PHONE: 735 4331

## PROGRAM : JANUARY, 1978

### Monday Jan. 2nd commencing 12 noon

Event 1 Nom. \$10.00

#### 50T NEW YEAR TRENCH C'SHIP GRADED

A 0-2 B 3-10. OA winner Sash & Trophy, Ribbon grade winner, trophies 2nd.

Event 2 Nom. \$5.00

commencing 1.15 p.m.

#### 20T NEW YEAR S/B GRADED C'SHIP

Usual trophies OA & 1st & 2nd each grade, etc.

Event 3 Nom. \$10.00

#### 20T NEW YEAR HANDICAP

1st Stereo 3 in 1 Unit, 2nd Finch Portable Fridge  
Trophies for 3rd, 20-22m & 23-25m

Event 4 Nom. \$5.00

#### 20T NEW YEAR D/B GRADED C'SHIP

Trophies as for event 2.

Event 5 Nom. \$8.00

#### 50T NEW YEAR SKEET GRADED C'SHIP

A 0-1, B 2-10.

### Saturday Jan 7th

commencing 12 noon

Event 1 Nom. \$6.00

#### 25T TRENCH HANDICAP

Trophies 1st & 2nd.

Event 2 Nom. \$5.00

at 1.15 p.m.

#### 20T SUMMER D/B PTS GRADED C'SHIP

Event 3 Nom. \$6.00

#### 20T HANDICAP

Trophies 1 2 3 & 22-25m

Event 4 Nom. \$5.00

#### 20T SUMMER D/B GRADED C'SHIP

Event 5 Nom. \$8.00

#### 50T SUMMER SKEET GRADED C'SHIP

A 0-1, B 2-10.

### Sunday Jan. 8th

commencing 12 noon

Event 1 Nom. \$10.00

#### 50T SUMMER GRADED TRENCH C'SHIP

A 0-3, B 4-10; usual trophies.

Event 2 Nom. \$10.00

#### 50T I.S.U. SKEET HCP C/D

Event 3 Nom. \$8.00

#### 50T AMERICAN SKEET

1 2 3 & 3-10.

Event 4 Nom. \$6.00

#### 25T TRENCH HANDICAP C/D

### Saturday Jan. 14th

commencing 12 noon

Event 1 Nom. \$10.00

#### 50T COLDSTREAM TRENCH

#### GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP

A 0-2, B 3-10.

LADIES EVENTS WHEN SUFFICIENT ENTRIES.

Usual Amenities

Practice Saturday a.m. & Wednesday p.m.

President: R. Buchan.  
Phone 870 5459.

Secretary: Mrs Jan Brunt,  
23 Coven Ave., North Bayswater.  
Phone: 729 5328.

Event 2 at 1.15 p.m. Nom. \$5.00

#### 20T COLDSTREAM S/B GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP

Event 3 Nom. \$6.00

#### 20T HANDICAP

1 2 3 & 22-25m

Event 4 Nom. \$5.00

#### 20T COLDSTREAM D/B GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP

Event 5 Nom. \$8.00

#### 50T COLDSTREAM GRADED SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP

Trench & I.S.U. Skeet Qualifying Rounds —  
Trench & Skeet Sat. & Sun. 21st & 22nd; Skeet  
only Sat. & Sun. 28th & 29th — See elsewhere  
this issue for details.

Event 1 **Saturday Jan. 21st** Nom. \$5.00

#### 20T KILSYTH D/B PTS GRADED C'SHIP

Event 2 Nom. \$6.00

#### 20T HANDICAP

1 2 3 & 22-25 metres.

Event 3 Nom. \$5.00

#### 20T KILSYTH D/B GRADED C'SHIP

Event 4 Nom. \$8.00

#### 50T KILSYTH GRADED SKEET C'SHIP

### Saturday - Sunday - Monday

28th, 29th, 30th

#### SATURDAY —

Event 1 **20T M.G.C. S/B GRADED C'SHIP** Nom. \$5.00

(Aggregate Event)

Gold Badge to member, Gold sash to non-member.

Event 2 Nom. 6.00

#### 20T HANDICAP

1 2 3 and 22-25m

Event 3 Nom. \$5.00

#### 20T CLUB JAN. D/B GRADED C'SHIP

Event 4 Nom. \$8.00

#### 50T CLUB JAN GRADED SKEET CH.

NOTE: 100t I.S.U. Skeet Qualifying Event will be  
run this day, commencing 9 a.m.

#### SUNDAY — commencing 12 noon.

Event 1 Nom. \$10.00

#### 50T GRADED TRENCH C'SHIP

A 0-3 B 4-10.

Event 2 Nom. \$20.00

#### 100T I.S.U. SKEET C'SHIP & QUAL

1 2 3

Event 3 Nom. \$6.00

#### 25T TRENCH HANDICAP C/D

Event 4 Nom. \$8.00

#### 50T AMER. SKEET C'SHIP

1 2 3 and 3-10

MONDAY — commencing 11 a.m. Nom. \$10.00

#### 50T AUST DAY TRENCH GDED CH.

A 0-3 B 4-10.

Event 2 Nom. \$5.00

commencing 1.15 p.m.

#### 20T AUST DAY D/B GDED PTS CH.

Event 3 Nom. \$8.00

#### 20T AUST DAY HANDICAP

1st dishwasher, trophies 2 & 3 also 20-22 & 23-25m

Event 4 Nom. \$5.00

#### 20T AUST DAY D/B GDED CH.

Event 5 Nom. \$8.00

#### 50T AUST DAY GDED SKEET CH.

A 0-1 B 2-3 C 4-10.

HIGH GUN OVER EVENTS 2 3 4 & 5



**DONALD, 29-10-77** — Overcast, fine (23). Lake Buloke DB C'ship: P. Scott (Stawell) 27-27, F. Neal (Donald) 26-27, M. Foot (Donald) 21-22. 10t 5 trap event: R. Young (Stawell) 13-15, G. Scarce (St. Arnaud) 9-11, K. Willey (Donald) 13-15.

**DONALD, 12-11-77** — Fine and sunny (9). 15t Club PS C'ship: P. Hewitt (Warracknabeal) 43-45, K. Willey (Donald) 39-45, P. Bloomfield (Donald) 37-45. 15t Cash Hcp: P. Hewitt (Warracknabeal) 15-15, K. Willey (Donald) 15-15; 2nd M. Foot (Donald), F. Neal (Donald), P. Bloomfield (Donald), B. Erhardt (Warracknabeal) all 14-15. 5pr DR: P. Hewitt (Warracknabeal) 9-10, M. Foot (Donald) 8-10, K. Willey (Donald) 7-10.

**ECHUCA, 30-10-77** — Fine and mild (58). Rich River DB C'ship: N. Berry (Shepparton) 94-94, A. Walker (Echuca) 93-94, R. Ridgeway (Swan Hill) 70-71. October Festival DB C'ship: K. Bucholtz (Deniliquin) 72-72, K. Bird (Wangaratta) 71-72, W. Koopman (Cobram) 69-70. 20t Hcp: A. Ford (Sebastopol) 34-34, G. Wilkinson 33-34, W. Koopman (Cobram) 26-27.

This shoot was the clubs annual Rich River Shoot. The first two events saw some very good shooting. Neil Berry shot 94-94 to beat Alan Walker 93-94 in the Rich River DB C'ship. R. Ridgeway of Swan Hill was third. In the October Festival C'ship Kim Bucholtz shot 72-72 to win from K. Bird 71-72. Bill Koopman of Cobram was third. The Handicap was won by A. Ford 34-34 from G. Wilkinson 33-34 with Bill Koopman 3rd. There were shooters from a number of clubs which is good to see. It was pleasing for the club to see Alan Walker shoot so well.

**ECHUCA, 12-11-77** — Fine and sunny (74). Kyabram Rotary Club DB C'ship: R. Hooper 74-74, A. Flack 73-74, L. Howlett 70-71. 20t DB Hcp: K. Bird 89-89, R. Dellar 88-89, R. McGreehan 67-68. Kyabram Rotary Club DD C'ship: F. James & C. Penno 45-45, T. Nash & K. Bucholtz 44-45, F. Berry & R. Hooper 33-34.

**Night - City of Echuca DR C'ship:** A. Flack 18-20, K. Bucholtz 21-24, L. Jobling 20-24. 20t DB Hcp: A. Walker 23-23, G. Sheen 22-23, J. King 35-35.

This was the clubs annual charity shoot. The proceeds of the days shoot went to the Rotary Club of Kyabram. There were a large number of visiting shooters. Kevin Bird of Wangaratta won the major handicap with a score of 89-89. Alan Flack of Hamilton won both the High Gun for the day and the Pitty Cup, for the high gun of the night. Local shooter Alan Walker won the night handicap from a local junior shooter Greg Sheen. This was Greg's first time in the prize money. Well done Greg.

**FOSTER, 12-11-77** — Fine cool after two inches of rain (11). 10t PD CD Sweep: 30-30 J. Chapple, M. Green, 29-30 M. Edgar. 20t SB Promontory C'ship 1 2 3 trophies sash: won outright 20-20 R. Jennings, 19-20 M. Cripps, 18-20 M. Green, M. Edgar, B. Shellcot, final 3rd B. Shellcot. 20t DB Promontory C'ship 1 2 3 trophies: 20-20 M. Green, B. Shellcot; 19-20 J. Chapple, M. Edgar, 3rd M. Edgar. 5pr DR: 10-10 R. Martin, J. Chapple, B. Shellcot divided sweep. 10t Hcp: 10-10 J. Chapple, R. Jennings, S. Jennings divided sweep.

Shooters came from Korumburra and Foster — a poor roll up. Congratulations to R. Jennings to win the SB C'ship outright. I am sure it won't be his last sash either. Keep smiling Reg. Very nice to see Malcolm win another sash — he is a wonderful supporter to our club; also M. Edgar for gaining third place. Brett Shellcot and M. Cripps also shot well. My word the trip to Holland did Peter the "world" of good — he looks ten years younger. No strikes in Holland. Thankyou to all helpers and Anne for the afternoon tea and John Snell for the trap work.

**FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN, 30-10-77** — 10t Pts CD: T. Wilkinson, N. Salemah, B. Faux 30-30, 15t DB C'ship: 'A' & OA G. Long 38-38, W. Baxter 25-26; 'B' W. Finnigan 37-38, C. Wilkinson 20-21; 'C' K. Dawson 19-21, S. Bickford 18-21. 15t SB C'ship: 'A' & OA K. Flentjar 15-15, M. Italia 14-16; 'B' M. Lewis 18-21, C. Wilkinson 17-20; 'C' B. Marriner 18-20, A. Clarkson 17-20. 15t Hcp: C. Wilkinson 17-17, W. Baxter 16-17, B. Flower 15-16.

**GEELONG, 30-10-77** — Fair (37). 10t Pts EO: J. Powe, M. Edgar, S. Daymond, G. Pacagnan 30-30. Newcomb & Dist DB C'ship: M. Edgar 31-31, R. Bath 30-31, I. Dickens 40-41;

## SHEPPARTON CLAY TARGET CLUB

**SUNDAY, 1st JANUARY**  
12.30 p.m.

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|---------|---|---------------|
| Event 1 | 10 TGT POINTS EYE OPENER  | Nom. \$2.50   |
| Event 2 | 20 TGT MEDLEY CHAMPIONSHIP<br>1st 2nd 3rd & FM Prizes.<br>Opt. Sweep \$1.00.                      | Nom. \$5.00   |
| Event 3 | 15 TGT DB HANDICAP<br>Trophy for best 11-15, 16-18, 19-22, 23-25m shooters.<br>Opt. Sweep \$1.00. | Nom. \$5.00   |
| Event 4 | MISS OUT FROM 25 METRES<br>FOR 6 SHEPPARTON C.T.C. GLASSES  | Nom. 50 cents |

Afternoon Tea and Cartridges on Sale.

Secretary: G. Trevaskis  
Phone (058) 27 1236.

## GEELONG CLAY TARGET CLUB

(Affiliated A.C.T.A.)

**MONDAY, JANUARY 2nd**

9 a.m.

GEELONG LIONS CLUB SHOOT  
(as advertised previously)

**SATURDAY 7th**

1.00 p.m.

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|---------|--|-------------|
| Event 1 | 10 TARGET E.O. PTS   | Nom. \$2.50 |
| Event 2 | CLUB S/B CHAMPIONSHIP<br>1st Badge & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd F.M.    | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 3 | CLUB DB CHAMPIONSHIP<br>1st Badge & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd F.M.     | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 4 | CLUB SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP<br>1st Badge & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd 5-10. |             |

**SATURDAY 14th**

1.00 p.m.

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| Event 1 | 5 PR DR EYE OPENER   | Nom. \$2.50 |
| Event 2 | CORIO BAY DR CHAMPIONSHIP<br>1st Badge & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd F.M.        |             |
| Event 3 | CORIO BAY DD CHAMPIONSHIP<br>1st pair Badge & Trophy, 2nd pair trophy. |             |
| Event 4 | CORIO BAY DR TOWER C'SHIP<br>1st Badge & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd F.M.        |             |

**SATURDAY 21st**

1.00 p.m.

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| Event 1 | 50 TGT CITY OF GEELONG<br>GRADED SKEET C'SHIP<br>0-1, 2-4, 5-10. Badge & Trophy ea Grade. | Nom. \$8.00 |
| Event 2 | 20 TGT SINGLE BARREL<br>TOWER CHAMPIONSHIP<br>1st Badge & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd.              |             |

**SATURDAY 28th**

1.00 p.m.

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| Event 1 | 10 TGT PTS E/O   |             |
| Event 2 | CLUB DB CHAMPIONSHIP<br>1st Badge & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd F.M.       | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 3 | 20 TGT HANDICAP<br>1st, 2nd & 3rd. B.M. Trophy.                  | Nom. \$6.00 |
| Event 4 | CLUB SINGLE BARREL C'SHIP<br>1st Badge & Trophy, 2nd & 3rd. F.M. | Nom. \$5.00 |



Pres.: R. Green  
126 Ryrie St., Geelong. 3220.  
Phone: 98514.

Hon. Sec.: A. H. Storrar,  
43 Hibiscus Cres, Newcomb,  
Geelong.

FM 5. Harding 20-24. Skeet Trophy Hep: A. Tremul 57-57, J. Powe 56-57, T. Jones 37-38. Skeet C'ship: P. Torok 24-25, M. Fuller 37-39, W. Robertson 36-39.

**GEELONG, 6-11-77** — Cold and windy (37). 10t Pts EO: R. Toner 30-30, S. Harding, R. Bath, A. Bradshaw, D. Munro, K. Calder 29-30. 5th Barwon DB C'ship: D. Munro 62-62, A. Bradshaw 61-62, S. Daymond 41-42; FM B. Pathe 18-20. 5th Barwon SB C'ship: A. Bradshaw 31-31, L. Bahr 30-31, D. Munro 23-24; FM D. Lyne 18-21. 5th Barwon SB Twr C'ship: M. Richards 28-28, J. J. Hehir 27-28, O. Martelli 19-20.

**GEELONG, 19-11-77** — Very good (33). EO 10t Hep: O. Martelli, R. Whelan, P. Hjorth, J. Hansford, J. Rowe, N. Wenning, R. Bath, H. Walker, R. Green, M. Edgar all 10-10. 20t Hep \$300: C. Box 25-25, W. Hitchcock 24-25, R. Light 22-23; 11-15m K. Whelan 29-31, 16-20m H. Walker 19-21, 21-25m T. Zazore 19-20. Easter Gardens SB C'ship: M. Edgar 20-20. I. Frataao 21-22, P. Torok 20-22; FM S. Harding 15-20. SB Tower C'ship: P. Hjorth 23-24, J. A. Allen 22-24, J. Whelan 24-26.

Very good shooting by Colin Box of 11 metres. He has never even won a FM trophy before. **HAMILTON, 19-11-77** — Fine and sunny (36). 10t EO: 11 divided. SW Zone DB C'ship: P. Cleggett 37-37, W. Storer 56-57, T. Linke 48-49. 20t Cash Hep: 7 divided with 30-30 J. Clark, N. VanDooren, L. Howlett, D. Burger, C. Warburton, K. Harris, L. Storer; metre groups 11-13 B. Millard, 14-16 H. Brooksby, G. Smith, 17-19 S. Rentsch, 20-25 T. Nash. 10t Cash Hep: 17 divided.

Congratulations to J. Clark from Millicent on gaining his 50 break badge.

**HEATHCOTE, 1-11-77** — North west breeze cloudy (64). 5t DB Hep EO: L. Brown, N. Frankling, B. Feistead, W. Newton, C. Leased, K. Warren, K. Calder, T. Nash, D. Ribbons, J. Farley, K. Koch, J. Ferguson, M. Barnes, B. Knight, B. Army, G. Rath, R. Brown, G. Brown, K. Taylor, G. Moore, G. Mannix, B. Thompson, K. Tuohy, Mrs B. West. 20t DB Hep: M. Barnes (Bendigo) 24-24, K. Bell (Bendigo) 23-24, L. Tattersall (Heathcote) 20-21; FM G. Warren (Heathcote) 19-20, BM T. Nash (Geelong) 24-24.

Great shoot. New trap worked excellently. Sash for 1st, 2nd and 3rd as well as trophies. Front Marker also received a sash from the show society. Only about five broken targets thrown for the day.

## KORUMBURRA GUN CLUB

— Preliminary Notice —

**25th FEBRUARY 1978**

Eley Premiership Match  
S.E. Zone

All shooters welcome, although only teams representing Clubs in S.E. Zone can compete in Premiership.  
Full details in February issue of C.T.S.N.

Sec: Ken Brown,  
Inverloch Road, Kongwak.

## JEPARIT GUN CLUB

(Affiliated with A.C.T.A.)

**Monday, January 30th 1978**

(1 p.m. start)

AUSTRALIA DAY

JEPARIT GUN CLUB P/S C'SHIP  
20 tgts from 16 m A B C  
Ladies and Junior Trophies.  
ALSO 30 tgt TROPHY HANDICAP

**Sunday, February 19th, 1978**

(1 p.m. start)

NORTH WEST WIMMERA DB C'SHIP  
20 tgts from 16 m A B C  
Ladies and Junior Trophies

ALSO \$100 CASH HCP (div 11-15m 16-19m 20-25m)

**Saturday, March 4th 1978**

(1 p.m. start)

100 tgt PRE-NATIONAL PROGRAM  
with BBQ tea followed by  
STATE NIGHT D/R C'SHIP

Full Details in March issue of C.T.S.N.

Sec: Frank Pitt, Box 83, Jeparit. 3423.

## MELBOURNE GUN CLUB

Ground: Victoria Road, Lilydale  
P.O. Box 47 Lilydale. Phone: 735 4331.

### 1978 INTERNATIONAL TEAM SELECTION QUALIFYING EVENTS

(each to be conducted over 200 targets - Nom. \$40)

**21st & 22nd JANUARY, 1978**

Saturday 21st commencing 9.30 a.m.

100 TGTS TRENCH or ISU SKEET  
entries close 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 22nd commencing 11 a.m.

100 TGTS TRENCH or ISU SKEET  
commencing 11 a.m.

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**28th & 29th JANUARY, 1978**

(no Trench qualifying event on these days!)

Saturday 28th commencing 9.30 a.m.

100 TGTS ISU SKEET  
entries close at 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 29th commencing 12 noon

100 TGTS ISU SKEET

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**18th & 19th FEBRUARY, 1978**

Saturday 18th commencing at 9.30 a.m.

100 TGTS TRENCH or ISU SKEET  
entries close at 10.30 a.m.

Sunday 19th commencing at 12 noon

100 TGTS TRENCH or ISU SKEET

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Conditions: Optional Sweeps — \$2.00 on each 100  
\$2.00 on each 200  
EACH TRENCH TRIAL will be a graded event  
A 0-2, B 3-4, C 5-10.

Sash & Trophy for overall winner, Ribbon & Trophy for winners in other two grades & Trophies for second in each grade.

EACH SKEET TRIAL will have trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd and a Sash for Overall winner.

Lilydale Airfield is only 4 km from the Club and pick-up arrangements can be made. Phone Club 735 4331.

FULL CATERING ON ALL DAYS

Camping Allowed.

Pres: Robert F. Buchan.  
Phone (03) 870 5459.

Sec: Mrs Jan Brunt.  
Phone (03) 729 5328.

# MORNINGTON CLAY TARGET CLUB

## SOUTH EASTERN ZONE TEAMS PREMIERSHIP SATURDAY JANUARY 7

Event 1	20 TGT GRADED D/B CHAMPIONSHIP Sash Overall winner, Trophies other grades.	Nom. \$6.00
Event 2	20 TARGET HANDICAP Trophies 1, 2, 3. Backmarkers.	Nom. \$6.00

Cartridges and Refreshments Available.

## SATURDAY JANUARY 14

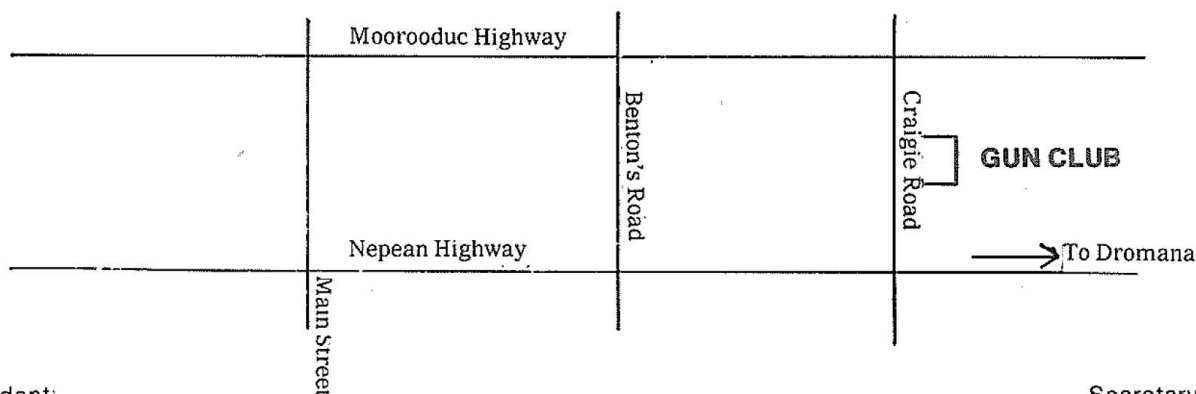
Event 1	10 TARGET POINTS C/D	Nom. \$3.00
Event 2	50 TARGET PRESIDENTS GRADED DOUBLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP Trophies PLUS Sash overall winner. Ribbons other grades.	Nom. \$12.00

## AUSTRALIA DAY CHARITY SHOOT

Proceeds to Mornington Shire Welfare Department

## MONDAY JANUARY 30

Event 1	10 TARGET POINTS CASH DIVIDE	Nom. \$3.00
Event 2	20 TARGET GRADED DOUBLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$6.00
Event 3	20 TARGET GRADED SINGLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$6.00



President:  
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D. Kidd.  
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Secretary:  
G. Matthews  
Phone (059) 871060.



**HEATHCOTE, 19-11-77** — Calm and cloudy (28). 5t EO Hcp Pts: J. Farley, R. Edmonds. 20t DB Hcp: J. Maxwell 30-30, K. Tuohy 29-30, F. Doyal 23-24; R. Bennett 18-20 FM; T. Clarke 16-20 BM. Spr DR off 16m: J. Maxwell 9-10, J. McCarthy 9-10, H. Barnes 8-10. Off The Fence: N. Carboon.

New trap working well. John Maxwell in good form.

**HOPETOUN, 29-10-77** — Good (50). DB C'ship Graded: OA D. Dunn 31-31 (Warrack); 'A' J. McDowall (Hptn.) 30-31, J. Clark (Warrack) 26-27; 'B' S. Newcombe (Jeparit) 30-31, S. McCleary 22-23; 'B' T. Foster (Horsham) 20-21, P. Hewett (Warrack) 21-23. Ladies sash and trophy: H. Flavel (Jeparit) 23-25. Trophy Hcp: S. Hounsell (Jeparit) 29-29, J. Aitken (Horsham) 28-29, P. Clark (Warrack) 27-28; FM J. Burns (Hptn) 18-19. Night Sweepstake: H. Flavel 15-15 60%, balance 40% divided by J. Gawith, T. Pitt, D. Flavel, P. Hewett.

Good attendance and perfect weather conditions.

**HORSHAM, 12-11-77** — Perfect (78). Wimmera Night DB C'ship: 'A' & OA R. Newell 74-74, T. Scott 73-74; 'B' J. Wagg 63-64, D. Hicks 24-24; 'C' J. Witney 43-44, A. Facchin 27-28. State Night Cont. DB C'ship: 'B' & OA C. Jarred 29-30, J. Gawith 33-35; 'A' F. Heinze 39-41, W. Hetherington 38-41; 'C' G. Newman 24-30, A. Rogers 26-33.

**KERANG, 28-10-77** — Fine and warm (34). 6pr DR EO 16m: K. Bucholtz 11-12, S. Kerr and K. Burton 9-12. 15pr State DR C'ship: 'A' W. Iles 27-32, 'B' K. Sagers 24-30, 'C' R. Wilkinson 21-30. 15t Hcp Trophy: possibles shot by O. Allison, S. Kerr, C. McDougall and C. Penno; shoot-off results 1st C. Penno 33-33, 2nd C. McDougall 32-33, 3rd O. Allison 26-27. 10t Hcp SS: divided by J. Allison, O. Allison, B. Stewart, A. Stevens, C. Penno, W. Attwood, J. Smith and D. Brown each 10-10.

Not a big crowd for the State Double Rise C'ship, however shooters attended from Melbourne, Mildura, Echuca, Deniliquin and local clubs.

**KERANG, 11-11-77** — Fine (36). 15t WU SS: R. Wilkinson 13-15, R. Saunders, J. Allison, C. Penno all 12-15. 15t Kerang Hotel Hcp Trophy: possibles shot by R. Saunders, W. Saunders, P. Parsons, A. Mills, R. Dee; shoot-off results 1st R. Saunders 40-40, 2nd W. Saunders 39-40, 3rd P. Parsons 26-27. 15t Hcp SS: possibles divided by R. Saunders, T. Hill Jnr, O. Allison, J. Dunstan, S. Kerr, G. Kerr, C. McDougall, N. Napier.

**KYNETON, 13-11-77** — Warm and windy (55). 10t EO: A. James, T. Nash, R. Clouston, D. Munro, N. Guy 30-30. 20t DB C'ship: 'A' J. Shepard, M. Spencer; 'B' & OA K. O'Meara, J. Vale; 'C' M. Davis, C. Hannan. 20t Major Hcp: J. Maxwell, A. Beaton, Brian Green; BM G. Moore.

Fine effort by Ken O'Meara to take out DB C'ship. John Maxwell took out Major Handicap with the only possible in the event.

**MANSFIELD, 16-10-77** — Fine and warm (25). 10t DB 16m EO: possibles T. Apps and A. Petersen. 20t DB Club C'ship: A. Petersen 42-42, A. Spence 41-42, T. Clarke 21-22; FM F. Ward. 10t DB Hcp CD: 8 shooters shared. 20t Pts 16m: A. Petersen 59-60, R. Lambden 58-60, equal 3rd G. Newton and N. Sheard 57-60. 10pr DR 16m: B. Sheard 8-10, J. Reynolds 7-10.

**MANSFIELD, 20-11-77** — Overcast and windy (20). 10pr DR C'ship: J. Newton 16-20, K. McHendrick 15-20, I. Roberts 23-30; FM N. Sheard 21-30. 20t Hcp: N. Sheard 25-25, K. McHendrick 24-25, A. Jones 31-32. Shot in conj. was the Cummins Shield which was won by Alexandra team. 10t Pts CD: J. King shot the possible; N. Sheard, T. Newman, D. Borden, W. Borden shared. 10t SB CD: J. Newton, A. Flett, J. King shared.

Mansfield Club has now installed a second electric trap which we hope will improve the clubs roll ups.

**MARYBOROUGH, 22-10-77** — Fine and cool (28). 8pr DD EO: G. Leech and C. Alderson. 20pr DD C'ship: R. Milne and R. Wright 20-20, J. Shepherd and B. Jennings 19-20; Inter M. Leech and P. Tate. 20t \$100 Hcp: B. Jennings 28-28, R. Milne 27-28, J. Cook 24-25; BM G. Leech 19-20.

Poor roll up but unfortunately there was plenty of opposition with Field and Game being shot in the district.

## HAMILTON GUN CLUB

(Affiliated with A.C.T.A.)

**FRIDAY 13th JANUARY**

7.30 p.m. start

SOUTH WEST ZONE NIGHT  
DB CONT. CHAMPIONSHIP  
TROPHY HANDICAP

**SATURDAY 21st JANUARY**

1 p.m. start

50 TGT DB C'SHIP GRADED  
Sash each grade.  
CASH HANDICAP

GROUND LOCATION:  
3 km south on the Port Fairy Road.

President:  
H. A. Vaughan.  
Phone (055) 72 1963.

Secretary:  
G. F. Smith,  
P.O. Box 500,  
Hamilton, Vic. 3300.

## ALEXANDRA GUN CLUB

**VICTORIA**

(Affiliated with A.C.T.A.)

**SATURDAY, 7th JANUARY, 1978**

5 p.m. —

10 T D/B E/O

\$2.50

20 T D/B HCP

\$5.00

9 p.m. —

20 T CLUB D/B  
NEW YEAR C'SHIP

\$6.00

20 T D/B POINTS  
50 cent Jackpot over program.

\$5.00

**SATURDAY 28th JANUARY**  
— FIELD SHOOT —

1 p.m. —

2 ROUNDS 25 T  
SIMULATED FIELD TGTS

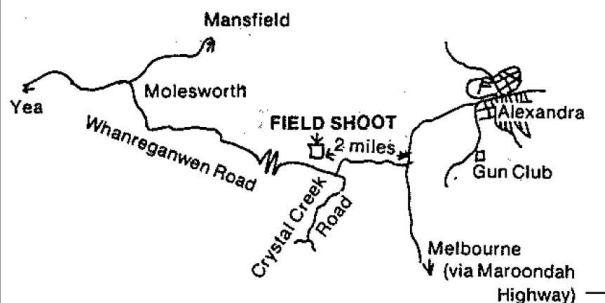
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Practice Trap  
Novelties.

Trophies include bullock hide rug, Trailblazer gun bag,  
Puma knife, gun cleaning gear, Swiss knives.  
Veterans Trophy and  
Three Ladies Trophies.

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Field & Game Assn. invited.



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Sue McNair  
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**MELBOURNE, 29-10-77** — Overcast, strong breeze and cold (56). 50t Club Trench Graded C'ship: 'A' J. Henwood 48-50, A. Boul 45-50; 'B' P. O. Taylor 48-50, G. Long 47-50. 20t DB Graded SS CD: 'A' A. Heathcote 20-20, A. Rowe 19-20, 3rd divided R. Brown, W. Dalzell and J. Irons 18-20; 'B' K. Law 20-20, 2nd divided J. Summers and W. Lonie 19-20; 'C' K. Dawson 19-20, 2nd divided A. Bickford and R. Henwood 18-20. Medley Graded SS CD: 'A' N. Salamah 20-20, M. Fuller 19-20 3rd divided R. Brown, R. Hansen, A. Heathcote and J. Irons 18-20; 'B' W. Jolly 18-20, 2nd divided F. Thatcher and D. Parsell 17-20; 'C' 1st divided A. Bickford 20-20 and D. Whitehead 20-20, 2nd K. Dawson 19-20, 10pr DR Graded SS CD: 'A' A. Heathcote 18-20 2nd divided W. Dalzell and W. Henwood 17-20; 'B' D. Parsell 16-20, P. Taylor 15-20, 3rd divided N. Moore and F. Thatcher 14-20; 'C' 1st divided H. Sawatzky and D. Whitehead 13-20, 2nd divided R. Henwood and J. Tozer 12-20. 50t Skeet Graded SS CD: 'A' N. Delorenzo 49-50, equal 2nd and 3rd G. Biggs, N. Moore 48-50; 'B' A. Heathcote 47-50, 2nd N. Salamah 45-50, 3rd B. Shandley 44-50. 20t Ladies Hcp: Miss K. Taylor 19-20.

**MELBOURNE, 5-11-77** — Cold, windy with showers (80). 25t Trench Hcp: I. Hale 49-50, M. Vipond 36-45, R. Boyce 35-40. 20t Club Mixed Tgts Graded C'ship "Aggregate": 'A' & OA J. Henwood (Gold Badge) 23-25, B. Ireland 22-25; 'B' B. Bockman (Gold Sash) 23-25, W. Finnigan 21-25; 'C' L. Spinoso 19-25, R. Lawrence 17-25. 11-13m J. Fleming 16-25. 20t Hcp: L. Skinner 30-30, D. Parsell 29-30, W. Jolly 20-21; 22-25m B. Bockman 21-25. 20t Club November DB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA W. Dalzell 52-52, M. Baker 55-56; 'B' I. Fratanaro 22-23, S. Bell 21-23; 'C' L. Spinoso 30-31, J. Sojkowski 27-28; 11-13m W. Jolly 19-20. 50t Club November Skeet Graded C'ship: 'A' R. Buchan 50-50, A. Summers 66-68; 'B' M. Baker 48-50, J. Sojkowski 46-50. 1977 DTL OA "Aggregate": B. Ireland 112-125.

**MELBOURNE, 12-11-77** — Fine and clear, light breeze (109). 20t Don McCraith SB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA K. Sagers 23-23, W. Henwood 22-23; 'B' C. Stiles 19-20, A. McChrystal 25-28; 'C' W. Meadows 21-23, W. Jolly 20-23. 11-13m M. Adams 19-25. 20t Don McCraith Grand Hcp: W. Jolly 48-48, N. Berry 39-40, M. Baker 38-40, 20-22m A. Isaac 20-21; 23-25m W. Dalzell 21-22. 20t Don McCraith DB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA K. Sagers 58-58, K. Calder 57-58; 'B' B. Bockman 38-39, L. Sutterby 31-32; 'C' W. Jolly 20-20, R. Giles 34-35. 11-13m J. Tozer 20-22. 20t Don McCraith Ladies C'ship: Mrs M. Hammond 16-20, Miss I. Coughlan 15-20. 50t Don McCraith Skeet Graded C'ship: 'A' S. Daymond 58-58, R. Fox 57-58; 'B' A. Heathcote 46-50, F. Cuartero 45-50. High Gun over events 1 2 3 & 5: W. Iles 131-138.

**MELBOURNE, 13-11-77** — Fine and light breeze (65). Victorian State Trench Team: S. Stevens, A. Rowe, N. Berry, K. Lowry, R. Boyce and B. Bockman. 25t Trench Hcp CD: 18 shooters divided the cash. 50t ISU Skeet Hcp CD: G. Gavlo, A. Heathcote, R. Johncock. 50t Skeet C'ship: R. Buchan 49-50, G. Moore 48-50, R. Lane 46-50; 3-10 R. Whykes 38-50. High Gun over team: K. Lowry.

**MELBOURNE, 19-11-77** — Fine, light breeze (65). 20t Nth Croydon DB Pts Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA J. Irons 84-84, W. Dalzell 83-84; 'B' G. Scalise 68-68, J. Turner 59-60; 'C' L. C. Smith 56-60, R. Henwood 55-60. 11-13m S. Bickford 71-78. 20t Hcp: L. Godfrey 31-31, N. Mollica 30-31, J. Turner 25-26; 22-25m W. Abbott 19-20. 20t Nth Croydon DB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA J. Irons 70-70, W. Henwood 69-70; 'B' R. Clarke 64-65, G. Iviano 25-26; 'C' R. Schroeder 31-32, R. Camfield 28-29. 11-13m J. Fleming 19-20. 50t Nth Croydon Skeet C'ship: A. Summers 50-50, J. Summers 74-75, R. Buchan 74-75; 3-10 R. Young 44-50. 20t Ladies Hcp: Mrs B. Dupuy 16-20.

**MELBOURNE, 20-11-77** — Overcast, cool and stiff breeze (39). 50t Club Skeet Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA R. C. Johncock (Gold Sash) 68-68, R. Buchan (Gold Badge) 67-68, N. Moore 57-58; 'B' B. Batagol 50-50, J. A. Cooper 48-50, P. C. French 46-50; 'C' V. Navaneri 41-50, N. Daymond 40-50, V. Bidstrup 38-50. 50t Presidents Skeet Graded C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA S. Daymond 86-86, N. Moore 85-86, B. Webley 80-81; 'B' W. Henwood 46-50, K. Tonks 45-50, P. French 34-60; 'C' V. Bidstrup 50-58, V. Navaneri 49-58, N. Daymond 39-50. Royal Doulton 100t High Gun: N. Moore 114-114. 100t Teams Match: Melbourne 1 486-500 - R. Buchan, A. Summers, J. Summers, R. Fox and N. Moore. Best Pair over 100t: N. Moore and R. Fox 197-200. 200t Royal Doulton Perpetual Trophy: R. Buchan 197-200.

**MORNINGTON, 22-10-77** — Fine (31). Spr DR CD 16m: Tony Bellamy, Damian Walker 9-10, Steve Bell, Tony Ferlazzo 8-10. Mixed Tgt C'ship: Barry Brooks 22-25, Tony Bellamy 33-43, Damian Walker 30-43. 10t DB Hcp: Tony Bellamy 14m 18-18, Garry Burris 17-18, Wayne Fitzpatrick 13-14.

Good conditions and some good shooting by Tony Bellamy. Trophy of \$21 could not warrant a metre under new rule.

**MORNINGTON, 12-11-77** — Fine warm (32). Spr DR EO 16m CD: D. Casamento 9-10, D. A'Beckett, P. Talbot, T. Joseph, G. Matthews, C. Drummy, D. Walker 8-10. 10pr DR C'ship: D. Walker 20-22, E. Gauhi 19-22, C. Drummy 17-20. 20t DB Hcp: P. Noy 18m 20-20, R. Kearns 11m 25-26, P. Talbot 11m 24-26. Cray Fish Shoot 5t Pts 16m: D. Kidd 43 pts.

**MT BOGONG, 2-10-77** — Rainy (36). Mt Bogong G.C. DB C'ship: 'A' E. Cavedon 36-36, 'B' D. Connors 35-36, 'C' J. Sojkowski 24-25; FM B. McGeogh. Club October Hcp: D. Jackel 23-23, D. Osmotherly 22-24, J. Wojcik 21-24; BM J. Sojkowski. 10t SB 16m: 'A' B. North 9-10, 'B' D. Jackel 10-10, 'C' J. Cobbe 10-10.

The Hoffman Shield contested with the Mt Bogong Gun Club DB C'ship was won by E. Cavedon.

**SEBASTOPOL, 29-10-77** — Fine but chilly night (82). 10t Pts 18m: 'A' N. Paterson 30-30, R. Cartledge 30-30; 'B' D. Nielsen 29-30, A. White 29-30; 'C' G. Billman 27-30, J. Hughes 27-30. Vic. State Night Pts C'ship: 'A' P. Hjorth 85-90, G. Ludbrook 90-95, G. Mark 87-96; 'B' B. Brookes 82-90, D. Snell 80-90, D. Nielsen 79-90; 'C' T. Bingley 78-90, P. Verlander 75-90, W. Sands 74-80.

Peter Hjorth took the state night Points C'ship from a strong field of 82 shooters.

**SEBASTOPOL, 29-10-77** — Fine and mild day (86). Winchester Pts C'ship: 'A' K. Whelan 96-96, R. McKenzie 95-96, B. Mark 110-111; 'B' L. Veitch 86-90, P. Hjorth 85-90, D. Crouch 84-90; 'C' A. McCulloch 83-90, T. Light 82-90, T. Bingley 79-90. Winchester Tournament: see separate article. Winchester SB C'ship: S. Nelson 26-27, R. Cartledge 25-26, K. Buchholz 11-15m C. McPherson 14-15.

## MILDURA CLAY TARGET GUN CLUB

(Affiliated with A.C.T.A.)

**Saturday, 21st January, 1978**  
commencing at 1.30 p.m.

TROPHY EVENT OFF HCP Nom. \$5  
SKEET SWEEP OFF HCP Nom. \$5  
TRENCH SWEEP Nom. \$5

Winner of Building Fund Lucky Number Draw  
was Peter Dimasi of Mildura.

Pres.: Gordon Wakefield. Sec.: Laurie Connors,  
P.O. Box 19, Mildura, 3500.

# ELEY

## VICTORIAN TEAMS' PREMIERSHIP

The following dates have been fixed for the 1978 series:

### South East Zone

Korumburra Gun Club ..... Feb 25th  
Melbourne Gun Club ..... June 10th

### South West Zone

Hamilton Gun Club ..... Feb. 19th  
Sebastopol Gun Club ..... April 16th

### North West Zone

Maryborough Gun Club ..... Feb 25th  
Warracknabeal Gun Club ..... May 27th

### North East Zone

Echuca Gun Club ..... April 8th  
Wangaratta Gun Club ..... May 27th

THE FINAL WILL BE CONDUCTED AT THE  
STATE TRAP CARNIVAL TO BE HELD AT  
BENDIGO CLAY TARGET CLUB IN AUGUST.

# PUCKAPUNYAL AREA ARMY GUN CLUB SUNDAY, 29th JANUARY, '78

### Event 1

#### CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

Free to all shooters who have won an individual championship at Puckapunyal in 1977.

### Event 2

Nom. \$7.00

#### 30 TGT CLUB GDED C'SHIP

1st & OA sash & trophy value \$40  
Two other Grade winners sash & trophy value \$40  
2nd in each grade Trophy value \$20  
FM 11-13m trophy value \$16  
Sweeps each 15 targets \$1.00.

### Event 3

Nom. \$5.00

#### 15 TGT HANDICAP

1st Trophy value \$60, 2nd trophy value \$30.  
3rd trophy value \$10. BM 23-25m \$20.  
Sweeps overall \$1.00.

### Event 4

Nom. \$4.00

#### 10 TGT S/B C/D

Sweeps Overall \$1.00

#### START 12 NOON SHARP

Ammo Available on the Grounds.  
Meals, Luncheon & Refreshments  
available throughout the day.

President:  
O.C.P.T.U.  
Phone 93 7167

Shoot Secretary:  
Cpl. Allison,  
R.A.C.T. Centre,  
Puckapunyal.

Congratulations to Ken Whelan and Steve Nelson for their C'ship wins. Bob Cartledge took the Winchester Tournament from a disappointing field of 69 shooters.

**SEBASTOPOL, 20-11-77** — Good (79). 10t Pts: 'A' R. Cartledge, K. Saggars 30-30, J. Smith; 'B' K. Whelan 30-30, D. Snell 28-30, Richard Wright; 'C' N. VanDooren 30-30, R. Milne, J. Whelan, R. Tremul 29-30. IMI DB C'ship: 'A' R. Cartledge 32-33, N. Paterson 21-22, P. Torok 30-39; 'B' J. Bull 34-35, K. Whelan 27-28, T. Jones 24-25; 'C' W. Storer 40-40, J. Whelan 30-31, K. Williams, T. Dunn 29-30. OA W. Storer 40-40. IMI Hcp: L. Severino 25-25, W. Brookes 32-33, T. Cahill 31-33; 19-25m K. Saggars 29-31. IMI SB C'ship: J. Bull 15-15, F. Reade 26-27, T. Zazore 25-27; 11-15m K. Whelan 23-25.

A good attendance for our Annual IMI Shoot. Congratulations to young Wayne Storer from Hamilton on winning the Double Barrel C'ship and also to local shooter Leon Severino for his win in the Handicap.

**SEYMOUR, 13-11-77** — Fine but very windy (26). 20t DB Club C'ship in conj. Inter C'ship: BM J. Newton 48-48, J. Reynolds 67-68, G. Willett 66-68; FM G. Newton 34-35, W. Borden 20-21, K. Mulvaney 23-24. 15t DB Hcp CD: 3 possibles K. Mulvaney, K. McKendrick, N. Pearson 15-15. 15t DB Novelty 11 to 25: 4 possibles J. Newton, J. Powell, K. McKendrick, G. Willett 15-15. 5pr DR 16m CD: 1 possible S. Armstrong 10-10; K. McKendrick, N. Pearson 9-10.

A very good effort by father and son to take off both C'ships. Congratulations to John and Greg Newton from Shepparton.

**SHEPPARTON, 30-10-77** — Windy. 10t WU C'ship: K. Mavrey 10-10, G. Trevaskis 12-15, A. Kriss 11-15; FM G. Cartledge. 10t DB Hcp: G. Trevaskis 17-17, D. Leonard 16-17, C. Coulter 13-14; BM J. Newton.

**SHEPPARTON, 6-11-77** — Perfect (75). DB C'ship: V. Ryan 86-86, R. Allen 85-86, J. Pola 47-48; FM G. Rose 26-27, DB Hcp: R. Newby, A. Calandro, J. Wiltshire; BM M. Gribben. Damian Duncan Mem Team Shoot: winning team - N. Berry, J. Newton, G. Newton, G. Trevaskis and A. Spence. Ladies DB C'ship: Ros Allen, Gill Trist, Karen Taylor.

## SWAN HILL-NYAH GUN CLUB

**Saturday, 14th January, 1978**

1.30 p.m.

— CASH DAY —

No.1 10 TARGET D.T.L.

No.2 20T TOWER div ea 10 tgts

No.3 25T SKEET HCP SWEEP

**Saturday, 28th January, 1978**

1.30 p.m.

No.1 5 PAIR D/R E/O

No.2 MID MURRAY D/R C'SHIP

No.3 10 TARGETS OFF HCP.

Sec.: R. Canny. Phone (050) 32 4031.

## VICTORIAN CLAY TARGET ASSN.

TO ALL SOUTH WEST ZONE CLUBS  
**ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING**

**WHERE?**

Ararat Gun Club

**WHEN?**

Saturday, 7th January, 1978

The Meeting will be preceded by a Shoot  
(no reason now not to come)

CHAMPIONSHIP & HANDICAP

**SHOOT STARTS 1 P.M.**

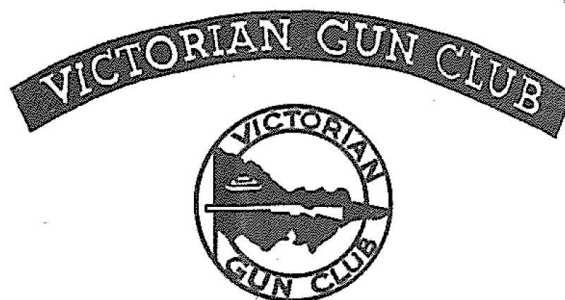
**MEETING STARTS 6 P.M.**

Let's start 1978 with a full attendance from all clubs  
in zone.

Remember . . . this means you!!! So see you at  
Ararat.

G. SMITH,  
Zone President.

T. NASH,  
Zone Secretary.



## JANUARY PROGRAM

**Wednesday 11th**

comm. 7 p.m.

15 TGT HANDICAP (Twilight) C/D \$4

15 TGT D/B C'SHIP \$4

**Saturday 14th**

comm. 1 p.m.

10 TGT HANDICAP \$3

10 TGT DOUBLE RISE \$3

10 TGT D/B C'SHIP \$3

10 TGT S/B C'SHIP \$3

OTHER EVENTS TIME PERMITTING

**Wednesday 18th**

comm. 7 p.m.

15 TGT SILENT RISE (Twilight) C/D \$4

15 TGT POINTS C'SHIP \$4

**Wednesday 25th**

comm. 7 p.m.

15 TGT HANDICAP (Twilight) C/D \$4

15 TGT MINI C'SHIP \$4

### SHOOTERS — PLEASE NOTE

★ NOMINATIONS WILL NOT  
BE ACCEPTED FROM  
SHOOTERS WHO ARE  
UNABLE TO PRODUCE A  
CURRENT A.C.T.A.  
REGISTRATION CARD.

Secretary:  
M. Shiels  
17 Finley Road,  
Altona 3018.  
Phone: 398 1944.

President:  
V. Mollica,  
Roberts Street,  
East Keilor.



Club jackpot went off after three shoots. Congratulations to Max Gribben, Russell Newby and Laurie Connors splitting the \$109 jackpot pool.

**SWAN HILL-NYAH, 12-11-77** — Fine (28). 10t Sweep: P. Parsons and R. Saunders 10-10 div. Legacy DB C'ship: R. Ridgeway 32-32, B. Loxton 31-32, R. Peacock 31-32, Legacy Hcp Trophies: R. Ridgeway 57-57, R. Saunders 56-57, A. Milks 38-39; FM P. Hutchinson 28-29, 5t 16m; K. Burton, G. Moore div 5-5.

Bob Ridgeway was most successful in winning both major events for the day; also recording a 100-break congratulations Bob! Boort shooter R. Saunders is also making his presence felt!

**TATURA, 20-11-77** — Fine, gusty winds (38). Goulburn Valley DR C'ship: H. Hawking 18-20, D. Leonard 21-26, R. Piastri 20-26, FM 11-12m W. Raglus 14-20, Goulburn Valley MT C'ship: H. Hawking 22-25, V. Ryan 31-35, R. Piastri 49-45, 11-12m FM C. Schouler 15-25, 15t Trophy Hcp: P. Hawking 26-26, M. Leonard 25-26, W. Raglus 18-19; BM 22m and over G. Willett 17-18.

**TOOLONGO, 6-11-77** — Fine with head wind (32). Club Mixed Tgt C'ship: 'A' & OA K. Miller 22-25, D. Flavel; 'B' R. Jorgenson 32-35, R. Pitt 30-35; 'C' R. Scott 18-25, L. C. Heard 16-25, 10t DB Hcp: divided between R. Pitt, D. Foster, C. Williams, B. Rees, R. Scott and A. Faccan 10-10, 10t PS Hcp: divided between B. Rees, G. Heard and I. Taylor 30-30.

**VICTORIAN, 5-9-77** — Fine and mild (48). 10t Hcp: K. Whelan 29-29, G. Tinkler 28-29, R. Dent 27-28, 10t DR: R. Evans 22-22, L. Bahr 21-22, R. Angus 19-20, 10t Twp Pts: V. Mollica 21-21, K. Whelan 20-21, K. Sagers 18-19, 10t SB C'ship: B. Hopper 41-41, A. Bradshaw 40-41, B. Patterson 37-38, 10t DB C'ship: L. Bahr 75-75, R. Coombs 74-75, B. Hopper 66-67; FM R. Kydd.

**VICTORIAN, 25-10-77** — Warm (56). DB Pts C'ship: R. Howden, D. Hill, R. Morrison; FM S. Licandro, DB C'ship: R. Howden, R. Morrison, A. Bradshaw; FM A. Powell.

Previous shoots were cancelled due to power strike.

**VICTORIAN, 2-11-77** — Mild (48). DR CD: W. Isles, J. Vale, D. Hill, DD select: A. Bradshaw and K. Sagers, L. Bahr and D. Milojovic, 10t Novelty: shared by 12 shooters.

**VICTORIAN, 10-11-77** — Cool with slight breeze (59). 15t Hcp CD: 6 shared A. Tammara, R. Sagers, R. McGeehan, T. Forbes, S. Licandro, J. Fenech, 15t DB C'ship: A. Bradshaw 41-41, A. Sednaoui 30-31, R. Sagers 20-21; FM C. Oteri.

**VICTORIAN, 15-11-77** — Warm (62). 15t SR CD: 3 shared L. Bahr, N. Price, M. Italia, 15t Pts C'ship: R. Morrison 45-45, N. Nielsen 10-122, K. Sagers 119-121.

**WANGARATTA, 19-11-77** — Good (60). 50t Skeet C'ship: 'A' & OA Max Gribben 50-50, John Zeuchner 60-62, Bob Pigram 59-62; 'B' J. Stamp 62-65, N. Hendy, Kevin Law 59-63; 'C' John Cooper 44-50, Bruce Newton 44-50, P. Bridgewater 47-50, 20t DTL Hcp: Ian McGeech 37-37, Alex Sinclair 36-37, Barbara Hendy 43-44, BM Brian Bockman 42-44, Vic Mixed Tgt C'ship: 'A' & OA F. Berry, 'B' Graham Boyd, 'C' Neville Bailey, Vic Mini DD C'ship: M. Mollica and W. Pilkington, A. Penny and J. Reid.

**WARRNAMBOOL, 12-11-77** — Fine (28). 5t EO Pts: L. Densley, L. Storer, G. McLeod, M. Warrnambool DB C'ship: Ken Veal 30-30, 'A' K. Wright 26-27, 'B' G. McLeod 29-30, 'C' W. Storer 24-25, 100 Hcp: A. McSweeney, N. Paton, A. Blain, W. Storer 20-20.

Many thanks to those shooters who travelled to our club. Congratulations to schoolboy shooter Ken Veal. Ken won his first sash and the way he shot it won't be his last. He is also a very good member of the Warrnambool North Technical School Gun Club.

**WERRIBEE, 13-11-77** — Fine and windy (58). 10t Pts EO CD: A. McCulloch, M. Italia, J. Cameron 40-40, 20t DB Hcp: R. Clarke 45-45, M. Bamford 44-45, J. Frattantaro 40-41, "Tarnet" 20t DB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA M. Rushford 30-30, 'B' P. Radoa 24-25, 'C' G. Veith 30-31.

## AMALGAMATION OF TWO MAJOR CLUBS

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The last shoot at Burwood was held on 15 March 1969 and it was expected that within a year or so the Lysterfield ground would be available. In fact, owing to delays in getting control of the land, finance and the difficulty of reaching agreement between the F & G and the Club, this stretched out to over three years. During this long recess the committee met regularly as did the members at annual meetings and on Saturday 3rd June, 1972, the first shoot was held at Lysterfield with an attendance of 138 using two skeet grounds and three D.T.L.

The Australian Gun Club continued to run successful shoots every second Sunday until they dissolved their association with the Field and Game on the 31st August, 1977.

The Presidents that followed Dudley Edgerton were: Bill Stone, Barry Arnott, Col Lukey and Gordon Morgan.

The ever increasing pressures being brought to bear on both the Frankston and Australian Gun Clubs from conservationist and Anti-noise committees, made it quite evident that if we wished to shoot on Sundays both clubs would have to move to new grounds.

The ideal situation was for both clubs to amalgamate, pool their manpower and finances and build a new shooting ground. This was eventually achieved and both clubs have now amalgamated and the new club name is the Frankston-Australian Gun Club.

The new club is shooting on the old Frankston Gun Club grounds every Sunday until the new grounds are completed.

Through great effort from an extremely hard working committee and members, the new ground is progressing in leaps and bounds. We hope to hold our Grand Opening shoot early February 1978.

The Frankston-Australian Gun Club will have facilities for complete family recreation. While dad enjoys his chosen sport, Mum and the children will have pleasant surroundings and facilities to enjoy a total family outing.

## FRANKSTON & PENINSULA GUN CLUB TRACES ITS HISTORY

The Frankston and Peninsula Gun Club commenced about 1949 in a paddock behind the home of Ian Evans at Overport Rd, Frankston. Ian, who spent many years with the Club as a Committeeman, or

ganiser, sometimes President, Life Member but now deceased, was also one of the founders, with Bill Baxter (Grandfather of the Bill Baxter presently shooting), Noel Miller and Bill Twyroid.

The foundation President was Bill Twyroid, a great exponent of our sport, who spent many years with the Club, several as President. Bill later moved to Wilcannia, N.S.W. Rumour has it that it was the only way out of the Presidency. The Club first shot over an old "Plus" trap, temporarily operated by Geoff Wickes who was later to become involved with the Club as Committeeman, Armourer, President and Life Member, and after a few months moved from Overport Road, to Charlie Grant's paddocks on the Frankston/Flinders Road where they shot until about the 9th year, when a C.R.B. road cut through the property forcing a change to a nearby paddock owned by Charlie's brother Theo.

Five years later the Committee were forced to look elsewhere and this led them to the "Army Reserve" where the joint Club now shoots. A "Damo" electric trap was first installed in 1966, powered by a portable generator for some time before electricity became available. Another electric trap built by Geoff Dicks was also used for some time until the Club progressed to a three trap layout and were replaced by "White Flyers", currently in use. Some of the long standing Committeemen still on the shooting scene include Bluey Male, Hughie Cooper, John Ivey, Max Thomas and Geoff Farrar.

Past Presidents included such names as Glen McComb an active worker in the Club's earlier days and now a Life Member, Bruce McComb Life Member and still occasionally shooting, Bruce Hall Life Member, Noel Miller Life Member (Noel would probably be the longest standing Club member and still shooting), Keith Pretty, now President/Secretary of Dandenong Club, Cyril Oke Life Member, Max Pescott, Jack Rodgers, Des Donnellan Life Member and finally Graham Ash.

The Club ran many charity shoots over the years to raise funds for the Royal Children's Hospital and one for the "Angel of Mercy" ambulance.

Our first State Title shoot was held in 1970 and many have been successfully held since.

Some of the better known shooters to come from the ranks of Frankston and who have been included in Victorian or Australian Teams would be Bill Twyroid, Mick Hamilton, Len Baker, Roy Adams, Ron Garth, Bill Stone, Geoff Farrar, Graham Ash, etc., etc.

This summary has been based entirely on memories and any omissions are regretted.

## Late News...

The new site at Carrum Downs is sufficiently developed to allow competitive shooting to commence on Sunday 29th January '78. Remember the date — SUNDAY 29th JANUARY '78., commencing at 12 noon.

## More Referee Examiners Appointed in Victoria

Mr Robert F. Buchan, one of the two Victorian Rules Supervisors, has recommended that the following appointments as Referee Examiners be made:

Lindsay Jobling — Bendigo C.T. Club — Trap  
Kevin Dobson — Echuca Gun Club — Trap  
Angus McSweeney — Warrnambool — Trap  
Eric Hall — Kaniva Gun Club — Trap  
Frank James — Kerang C.T. Club — Trap  
Bob Whykes — Morwell Gun Club — Trap  
Dud Edgerton — Frankston/Australian — Trap & Skeet.

All of the appointments become effective immediately. In addition, Mick Hehir of Geelong Clay Target Club was appointed a Referee Examiner (Skeet) some weeks ago.

Any potential referees wishing to present themselves for examination must have their request authorised by their home Club first.

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*One drinker turned to his friend while they were enjoying a couple of beers and remarked, "I went to the doctor today and found out I'm allergic to my wife. I was worried for a while I thought it might be booze that caused the allergy."*

# MILDURA GUN CLUB Winchester Tournament

(Laurie Connors, Sec. Mildura C.T.G.C.)

Seventy-five shooters participated in various events at the Winchester Carnival conducted by Mildura Gun Club on 18th, 19th and 20th November, 1977.

In ideal weather conditions for clay target shooting the first event as a fore-runner to the Winchester Tournament was held on Friday 18th November, 1977. It was a fifty target Universal Trench event and familiar faces belonging to trench shooters from S.A., and other Victorian clubs were there to do battle on the tracks. All were keen to show their prowess at trench, however the local lad Jim Finis was too good for the visitors and finished first with 46-50, Fred Heinze from Horsham was second 44-50, Ken Lowry, Melbourne third on 43-50 and Trevor Byrne, Shepparton fourth on 65-75. A club points score D.T.L. championship was on at night and the good shots were amongst the placings, namely first Ken Lowry, Melbourne 72-72, second Harry Moore, Mildura 69-72 and third Geoff Mark, Sebastapol 65-66.

**Saturday 19th November, 1977.** With the weather conditions still excellent for clay shooting the Victorian Universal Trench Championship was conducted. It was over 100 targets and two shooters, Ken Lowry and Jim Finis came in with 94-100 to be top scores. After a shoot-off the results were 'AA' and Overall, Ken Lowry, Melbourne 119-125 'A' Jim Finis, Mildura 117-125 'B' Peter Dimasi, Mildura 86-100 'C' Jim Blythman Mildura 85-100.

In conjunction with the trench, a Sunraysia District Skeet Championship attracted a number of entries, first was Ken Lowry, Melbourne 32-33, second Devan Johnston, Broken Hill 29-30 and third Harry Moore, Mildura 32-33. Best 4-10 group was past President of the A.C.T.A., Tup Pedersen 27-29.

After the evening meal, and as soon as it was dark enough a night trophy shoot, followed by a championship was on under lights for shooters interested in night shooting. A set of satin sheets was first prize in the trophy event. Fred Heinze from Horsham who is well known by all for his ability around the shooting tracks took out the trophy. Fred won the event off 24 metres and is now on the limit mark of 25 metres. Second was Dez Gosztolanyi, Mildura winning his first ever trophy and third Kieron Vale, Victorian. The double barrel night championship saw winners in 'A' grade and Overall, Les Brown, Bendigo 51-51, 'B' grade Leighton Martin, S.A. Gun Club 40-41, 'C' grade Geoff Izard, Mildura 22-22.

**Sunday 20th November, 1977.** The weather was still excellent for shooting and 55 shooters entered the Winchester Tournament to do battle for the major prizes and placings. Fifteen shooters recorded the possible in the event and the ten placings were filled as follows:—

1st Trevor Byrne, Shepparton 100-100; 2nd Ernie Evans, International 99-100; 3rd Robbie Robertson, Mildura 75-76; 4th Les Brown, Bendigo 72-73; 5th Gordon Wakefield, Mildura 56-57; 6th Peter Dimasi, Mildura 53-54; 7th Bert Knight, Bendigo 50-51; 8th Ken Burton, Kerang 44-45; 9th Jim Vale, Victorian 44-45; 10th John Groves, Mildura 42-43; Best 11-15m Tup Pedersen, West Gippsland 31-32; Best Lady Deserie Wakefield, Mildura 28-30; Best Junior Bronte Evans, International 28-30.

As indicated on the program, trophies were presented during what was termed the Winchester Cocktail hour, after which our four piece orchestra moved in and a smorgasbord meal and social evening followed, with dancing and entertainment. Robert Lemke, a shooter from Ballarat and a friend of Brian Mark of Winchester fame, was there and entertained with comedy and song. All in attendance appreciated this gentleman's talents, and through this media we extend to you Robert our thanks for your unrehearsed effort. It was great. Also Brian Mark was in good form and kept us amused with a few dining room jokes. Thanks Brian. Hope you will both return again some day. After all shooting, followed by entertainment, had subdued in the a.m. hours of Monday morning, and judging by the complimentary comments made by shooters in attendance, the organisers considered the Tournament to be well worthwhile. Even though slightly down in numbers, it was voted a great success. Mildura Gun Club Committee and its members say thank you Winchester for selecting our club to host a section of Winchester Tournament in Victoria.



The smiles on the faces of these three competitors prove they were winners in the Winchester Tournament held at Mildura Gun Club 18th 19th 20th November, 1977. From left to right, Tup Pedersen who is a long way from home and hails from West Gippsland Club, was the winner of the 11 to 15 metre group. Tup's score was 31-32. Deserie Wakefield (Mildura) won the best lady shooter, her score 28-30 and Bronte Evans (International Gun Club, S.A.) was best Junior Shooter on a score of 28/30.



The first three placegetters in the Winchester Tournament held at Mildura Gun Club 18th 19th 20th November 1977, proudly display their trophies for the camera. From l. to r. 1st Trevor Byrne (Shepparton) 100/100. Alongside Trevor is Brian Mark of Winchester who presented the trophies to all the fortunate winners in the Tournament; 2nd Ernie Evans (International Gun Club, S.A.) 99/100; 3rd Robbie Robertson (Mildura) 75/76.

## 1977 South Island C'ships — New Zealand

A small contingent of Australians recently crossed the Tasman to swell the crowd attending the N.Z. South Island Championships which were held at Invercargill, one of the most southern points of New Zealand. The party included Bill Attwood from Victoria and Ron Porter (ACTA Vice President), Ken and Bill Stevens all of Brisbane.

The match was held over three days - Friday 11th November, Saturday 12th November and Sunday 13th November. The Club President is Joe Wilson, who will be remembered by shooters from the Brisbane Nationals as the "Happy Kiwi!" The Aussies made their presence felt when Bill Attwood was runner-up in the South Island Skeet Championship. The Air New Zealand "Ticket to the Australian Nationals", which was conducted on Saturday in conjunction with the South Island Single Rise (equivalent to Double Barrel) Championship was won by Mr Swarl.

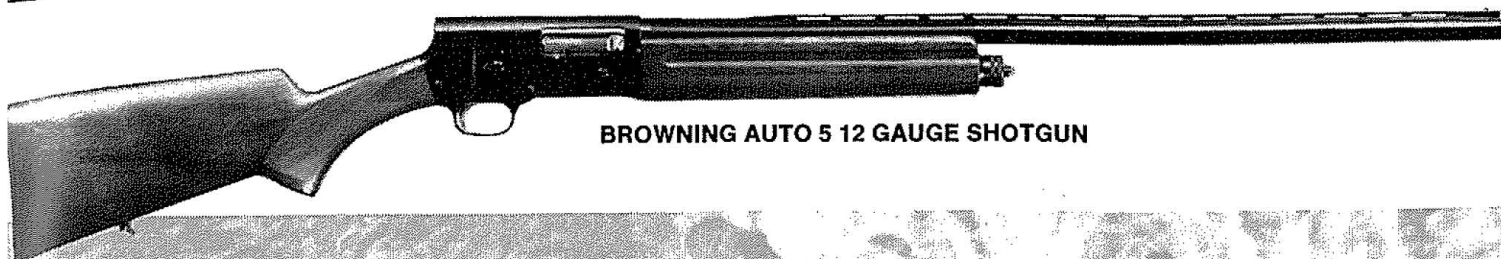
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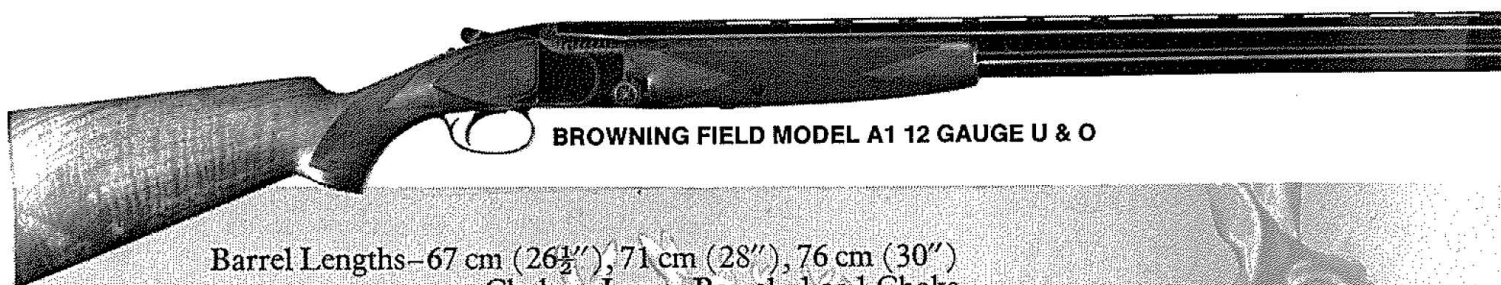


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