

Australian Clay Target Association

2015

ANNUAL REPORT





ISSF JUNIOR WORLD RECORD HOLDER

James Willett

COVER PHOTOGRAPHS

Background: Queensland – Best dressed Team at Trap Nationals

Front cover bottom right: Michael Diamond, Bridget McKenzie and Laetisha Scanlan

Front cover bottom left: Squad shooting at Sporting Nationals

Back cover top: Western Australia – Open State Team winners

Back cover bottom: Camping on the National Ground at Wagga Wagga

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It gives me great pleasure on behalf of the Executive, as the President of the Australian Clay Target Association (ACTA) to report on the Association affairs for the 12 month period ending the 31st December 2015.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership for the period has decreased slightly from 14205 in 2014 to 13941 in 2015.

2950 new members were signed up during the period showing the sport obviously has attraction publically. However, more than this number left the sport. Until this drift away, which has existed for decades is stopped it will remain impossible to grow the membership.

It has also become obvious that if clubs do not ensure that all their members are registered with the ACTA as required by the constitution, there will be no growth in membership and the continual risk of exposure to uninsured legal claims will continue. All clubs have now been officially advised that it is a clear breach of the ACTA constitution to retain members that are not registered with the ACTA, effectively shifting the liability to club management committees. Whilst this moves the responsibility off the ACTA Executive members' shoulders to club management, this does not help the ACTA registered shooter affected by the uninsured when an accident takes place.

Please remember this does not have to be a shooting related incident, it could be an accident in the carpark or the clubhouse. The premium cost is assessed on the number of members ACTA advise during the disclosure process, so again you can see the effect non-registered shooters have on

our protection package, causing us to be underinsured at the best and not insured at all at the worst. I urge all club members to insist that their club management committees abide by the ACTA constitution and keep all members registered with ACTA.

INSURANCE

The Executive has insured the Association, its member clubs, and registered shooters as comprehensively and economically as possible. The brokerage firm Pollards continue to source our insurance from underwriters the Australis Group – Lloyds of London. The Protection Package provides cover for Liability, Accident, Death, Loss of Income and Travel Insurance. Details are available on the website.

FINANCIAL

The Association again traded well during the year showing a profit of \$378,937 down from \$480,947 in 2014. The difference is mostly from increases in coaching expenditure, legal and re-structuring expenses and a large adjustment to depreciation after it was understated last year.

GROUND DEVELOPMENT

Reasonable profits have again allowed continual development at the National Ground, including a complete renewal to the PA system, which now covers the whole ground, major drainage work and the installation of shade shelters. Payments of the Council Loan to purchase the Ground have all been met when due and the Ground is well on the way to being owned outright. Profits have also allowed a loan of \$160,000 to be made to the



ACTA President, Robert Nugent

VCTA to assist with the Echuca Grounds Development.

Looking ahead, a decision needs to be made shortly about a major clubhouse development on the grounds. We will also be completing the drainage work, adding extra DTL layouts and installing two Ball Traps. A 10th skeet layout is nearing completion as I write. We have been fortunate to secure agreement from the Wagga Pistol Club that they will close their range annually for the duration of our Skeet Nationals. This will alleviate the problems experienced in the past when the pistol range opening during skeet competition times forces the closure of our 9th layout.

WEAPONS LICENSING

The ACTA has met with NSW Weapons Branch and has contributed to consultations that hopefully will make the display of firearms on the grounds a more economical and less onerous task. The division recognises the differences between our display and a public Arms Fair and are looking at ways to introduce some new regulations for this purpose.

Following a Range inspection at Singleton club the sporting clays range was shut down as the club had no affiliation with a National body that controls Sporting Clays in a walk through setting. The ACTA contacted the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association (English) and was formally granted the rights in Australia for English Sporting and Sportrap because of our involvement with the International Clay Target Shooting Federation (ICTSF) NSW police were advised accordingly, the disciplines added to ACTA's approved events and the range at Singleton was re-opened within weeks.

Discussions have also taken place regarding the Junior age in NSW of twelve years which is the highest in the country. Advice is that there is no current intention to review the age and exemptions will not be issued to allow younger persons to compete at our Nationals.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

During the period, National Championships were conducted in all disciplines.

The ISSF Nationals were hosted for the second time by Newcastle and our thanks go to them for the effort they put into the facility and during the event. Venues of this size in the ISSF disciplines are not built very often and it is good for the ACTA to have another venue to choose from. Total entries over the eight main events were 280. This compares to 228 last year. Thanks must go to the volunteer ISSF accredited officials without whom this event, and for that matter, the Shooting Australia (SA) Australia Cup series could not be hosted.

The National Trap Championships were conducted at the National Ground and once again large breaks were the order of the day. The attendance over the six main events was 2560 as opposed to 2834 in 2014. The Association has now returned to a more traditional program and with guaranteed cash prizes as well as sponsors prizes being paid to the winners, we look forward to a better attendance in 2016.

The National Skeet Championships were conducted at the National Ground with entries of 926 over the 8 main events against 874 last year. This was almost a full field and as

previously indicated a tenth skeet field will be completed for the 2016 event. Skeet shows a continued growth in numbers at the Nationals with a 30% increase in the last ten years. Once considered the poor cousin to the DTL Nationals, Skeet seems now to be blooming at the higher level.

The National Sporting Clays Championships were conducted at the National Ground with entries of 240 in total over the two events being a full field for the second year in a row. This event is conducted by the Wagga Gun Club on behalf of the ACTA and I thank them for the efforts they have put into preparing and running the event.

ADMINISTRATION

The National Office was very stable over the period with no staff changes. Our thanks go to Tony, Maureen, Sue, Judy, Jenny, and Dave for the effort they have made during the period. Fred Rapley has continued to maintain the trap machinery as required and we thank Fred for that also.

EXECUTIVE CHANGES

Mr Allan Vilcins and Mrs Cheryl Arnol retired from the Executive during the year. Mr Alan Styles and Mr Brian Muirson came onto the Executive. I extend the Association's thanks to those retiring members. The Executive have supported the election of a Board being President Mr Robert Nugent (Chairman) Vice Presidents Messer's Rob Fox and Mal Dyson and Treasurer Mr Alan Styles. The Board allows efficient conduct of business with Board recommendations sent to the Executive for voting by email on a regular basis.

MEDIA

The CTSN continues as one of our largest cost areas, but we feel the content and presentation has improved. Recent Australia Post increases in fees for periodicals were not at the same level as ordinary letter items and so the CTSN will continue in its current format for the medium term.

I remind members that all back copies are available on the website for viewing, downloading and research projects. Our thanks to Jim and Judy Shepherd for their efforts in this area.

WEBSITE/FACEBOOK

The Association now has a large presence in the electronic media area. The ACTA website is a valuable resource for members and clubs alike. The ability for members and club secretaries to renew online is of great benefit. The Facebook post only page also allows the ACTA to keep in contact with members quickly and economically.

Unfortunately there is also a huge down side to the advent of Facebook, Twitter etc. That is that it provides a global platform for any person, not even being a member necessarily, to be an expert on everything and use these forums to spread mis-information and in some cases insulting comment. Once, before Facebook and the like, we saw these people in the crowd, looking for attention, no-one took much notice and you avoided their presence. The damaging affect was limited to their immediate area and their few followers. Now all has changed, once on Facebook they must be right in everything they say, and insults are allowed to flow freely. One only needs to look at the times these posts

are made to know the condition these people were in when they made them. A poor day for our sport I feel when mis-information and ignorance rules public perception and opinion.

AFFILIATIONS

Shooting Australia

(SA) has continued to part fund a coaching position within ACTA to fill the gap between the High Performance coaches and our coaches i.e: the position of our Coaching Director. Suzy Balogh fills this position and it has proven to be a beneficial arrangement for ACTA. This will continue into the future. Suzy has also represented ACTA at forums with SA and presented our case well. We thank Suzy for this.

The issue of selection processes adopted by SA has been raised at every opportunity with them. The only undertaking we could get is that the whole system would be reviewed post RIO, something they would be doing anyway. In conversation, I have asked ISSF shooters to not be afraid to put their suggestions to us as we wish to be part of this post RIO review and want to be able to offer a workable, fair, selection process for presentation to SA at this time for consideration. It must be realistic though.

Other issues raised with SA included their growing involvement in facilities, legislation and domestic events. These areas of SA's new approach to their role in shooting are of concern to the ACTA and will remain on the table during our discussions with them.

International Clay Target Shooting Federation (ICTSF).

This body of which I am currently

President has had a new member affiliate during 2015. The Denmark Shooting Union will now send a delegate to the General Assembly and a team to the forthcoming World DTL in July in Ireland.

A matter of dispute between the ICTSF and the Canadian National Sporting Clays Association has now been resolved and the CNSCA are once again financial.

The ICTSF conducted the World English Sporting Championship at Paarl in South Africa during the period, and the Australian team of Brian Mortensen, Daniel Johnson, Bart Brighenti, Reece Turner and Peter Tobin secured the Bronze medal. These team members were exemplary in behaviour, dress and attitude and on behalf of all the members I pass on a huge thanks.

Sadly on the 27th of December Mr Doug Hervey, aged 74, the former President of CNSCA, passed away after a long battle with cancer. Mr Hervey was instrumental in CNSCA affiliating with the ICTSF and was the driving force behind the 2013 ICTSF World English Sporting Championships conducted in Galt, Ontario.

The ICTSF is conducting the World DTL in July at Esker in Ireland and all forms etc are available on the Esker website. ACTA will be fielding full teams in each section to this event.

COACHING

The Association will be reviewing the current coaching arrangements during 2016. Development by SA of the Elite coaches course (formerly level 3) is not yet complete, after almost 8 years. Renewals are taking

far too long and as most coaches are in the non-Olympic disciplines of DTL and Skeet we are having trouble accepting that the program should remain under SA control.

Many states have excellent programs in place and a large body of willing coaches travelling large distances to make our sport more satisfying to our members. I congratulate these volunteers on their efforts.

The Academy project and camps under the stewardship of Suzy Balogh continue to prosper with good attendances and performances.

SPONSORS

Association sponsors have again provided exceptional support. Support was received during the period from Casella Wines, Beretta Australia, Perazzi Australia, Winchester Australia, Krieghoff Australia, Bang on Target, Hunts Shooting Supplies, Lawson Motel, Mialls Gunshop, Outdoor Sporting Agencies and PCM Enviro.

CONSULTATIONS

The Association has met with the other shotgun discipline representative bodies. We have also been involved in three consultative meetings with the Attorneys General Department Firearms Working Policy Group.

CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE

The Executive in June voted to support a change of registration from an Incorporated Association to a Company Limited by Guarantee. The Board has spent a great deal of time in consultation with the Association lawyers to provide a copy to the

Executive for input and comment in November. The draft was then released publically for the consultative process to begin. At the time of writing the Association has conducted three of the planned consultative meetings. Three more are planned in February after which the Board will either recommend to the Executive a final document for presentation to an AGM or recommend that the motion not proceed without further consultations. This would mean holding the changeover until next year.

FUTURE

Looking forward, the Association now has a firm financial base to work from, its assets and members are properly protected with adequate insurance, and we have a fairly stable membership. We are however continually threatened by the Anti-Gun lobby, possible oppressive legislation and poor press following any firearm related incident. One only has to look at the Martin Place siege review process as an example of this.

However the issue that I believe is still having the biggest detrimental effect on the Association remains from within. This ongoing issue of some clubs ignoring our pleas to abide by the constitution and have all their members registered with the ACTA is a problem that we are being forced to deal with in the forthcoming months. The constitution as it exists is a document that all members expect the Executive to respect and enforce. Some of these same members however choose to totally ignore the main premise on which the Association's future existence relies, that is, all members at all affiliated clubs will be registered with ACTA.

The Association legally cannot retain member clubs who flagrantly breach the constitution of the ACTA, bringing risk to all other properly registered members.

We have a lot of passionate and energetic people in the Association, but unfortunately only a few are able to be at the helm at any one time. I wonder where we would be if all that enthusiasm and energy could be channelled in the same direction instead of only surfacing to express discontent?

I take this opportunity to thank our staff, my fellow Executive members, Board members, and Committee Chairpersons for the support, time and effort they have given so freely during the period. A special thanks to my two Vice Presidents, Rob Fox and Mal Dyson.

In closing I would like to thank the thousands of volunteers who mow the grass, fill the traps and carry out numerous other tasks so we can all continue to enjoy the sport. I am sure they would also appreciate your thanks as well.



Robert Nugent, President

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

2015 was another very productive year for the Association with various projects commenced and completed. All National Championship events were conducted with worthy National Champions crowned in all disciplines. The induction into the Trap and Skeet Hall of Fame of Steve Haberman and Nanette McCallum (trap) and Brian Thompson (skeet) added to this prestigious group of shooters.

Former National Director and long term NSW delegate Bob Blake was awarded the Presidential Medal for his services to the ACTA. Bob epitomises what the Presidential Medal is all about, a very worthy recipient.

A change of leadership occurred in June when Allan Vilcins did not seek re-election to the position of President. Allan subsequently stepped away from the ACTA Executive following 10 years of service to the Association. In Allan's time at the helm he attended all National events and was always on hand to talk with the members. I would personally like to thank Allan for his leadership and support during his time on the Executive.

New President, Robert Nugent took the chair and along with the Executive continues to set the strategic direction and vision for the Association. The unanimous decision of the Executive to move the Association to a company limited by guarantee has seen the development of a new structure and constitution. These steps will not be easily nor quickly achieved, however I can assure every member that these changes are in the best interests of the ACTA, and that is what we are here for.

The decision by the Executive to advise Clubs that shooters from other Associations – F&GA, SCA, SSAA, are not permitted to shoot on ACTA affiliated grounds unless they are members of the ACTA was made to ensure that we comply with the constitution. We could not knowingly breach our constitution which states that only ACTA members may shoot on an ACTA affiliated ground. This action does not stop clubs with dual affiliations hosting events from their other affiliated body, it does not allow those members however, to shoot ACTA disciplines on ACTA affiliated grounds.

I wish to point everyone to the reports in this Annual Report, for details of the activities of various committees and individuals. These reports are only a small snapshot of the activities of the Association, much of the detail is available on the website or has been published in the CTSN during the year.

We welcomed Bronte Evans back to the Executive, taking over the full time position vacated by Allan Vilcins. We also welcomed Brian Muirson from Queensland as the delegate taking the position vacated by National President Robert Nugent.

We have conducted further discussions with Local member Mr Darryl Maguire and the Mayor of Wagga Wagga City Council Mr Rod Kendall in relation to grants for the building of a new clubhouse on the National Ground. We continue to investigate all aspects of the project and seek support from the Federal and NSW Governments to build a truly National and International facility on the National Ground. Our aim is to have this project completed

in time for the 2018 World DTL Championships.

I take the opportunity to thank the supporters and sponsors of the Association. These individuals and companies support the shooters directly through the ACTA. The prizes provided as sponsorship are greatly appreciated and add further prestige to winning an ACTA sash and or medal at the Nationals. To the staff of the National events and the National Office I thank you for your continued dedication to the ACTA and to the sport of Clay Target Shooting.

I wish to thank all volunteers at Clubs, Zones and States. These are the thankless jobs that volunteers fill at all levels of the sport. However this is typical of sporting clubs in Australia, without these volunteers our sport would not be in the great position that it is now.

Lastly but not least, I wish to thank the National Executive members who contribute much of their own valuable volunteer time to the Association as well as being on Club, Zone and State Executives. These people give at all levels of the sport and deserve the thanks of every member for their contributions.



Tony Turner, Executive Officer

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

CHAMPIONSHIPS

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National Development athletes

CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Championships Committee, after trialling a variation of the Trap program, decided to revert to the more traditional program for 2016. Additional prize money was added to the event as the trial of lower nominations and the reduction of prize money did not provide any significant increase in attendances.

The Trap and Skeet events will have a guaranteed prize pool as well as sponsor prizes and sponsorship. The total amount to be allocated to the Trap carnival will be \$80,000, the figures of both events are based on past attendances with money allocated to grades based on these figures. Increases in attendance will see these guarantees reviewed in line with those results.

The Commonwealth event in 2016 is allocated to NSWCTA who have indicated the event will be held in conjunction with the Casella shoot in Griffith. Further details will be available through the NSWCTA.

COACHING

ACTA ACADEMY

2014/2015 was the inaugural year of the ACTA Academy, 10 athletes were selected. The athletes attended an Introductory Camp at Cecil Park Clay Target Club, an Elite Focus Camp at the Australian Institute of Sport and Canberra International Clay Target Club. Athletes also attended the National DTL and ISSF Camps.

NATIONAL CAMPS

The National DTL Development camp was held in Wagga Wagga at the National Ground in September. 21 talented junior athletes were selected through their National scores, State representation and commitment to the sport. Athletes came from WA, ACT, NSW, Qld, Tas, SA and Vic. Assistant coaches were Andrew Brady (Vic), David Coleman (NSW) and Peter Holmes (NSW). Darryn Nicholls (SA) was a guest presenter.

STATE COACHING CLINICS

States have the option of having the National Coaching Director assist in running State Coaching clinics. Coaching clinics are usually held along with Club and Competition coach courses. These are a great opportunity not just for juniors but any interested shooters to receive coaching.



INTERNATIONAL SHOOTING

ACTA ISSF JUNIOR, WOMEN AND MEN'S TEAMS

It has been decided for the 2016 Nationals, that these teams will only be required to have two members instead of the three we have now. As Men's and Women's events shoot a different amount of targets in their respective disciplines it cannot be a combined team. This will also allow States to send a team where before it was not possible due to lack of numbers. Three teams will be required to make a competition.

ACTA ISSF VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIP (60+)

After many requests for this to happen, the Executive agreed to a Veterans section at the Nationals starting in 2016. This will be shooters 60+ which is the international age for Veterans. This we hope, will encourage our more mature shooters to come back to the sport. Three shooters will be required to make a competition.

DRESS CODE FOR 2016 ISSF NATIONALS

In future at the ISSF Nationals, the ACTA dress regulations will replace the ISSF Dress Code. This will be for all disciplines (excluding Australian Cups).

ISSF COURSES

Successful courses have been run for International Referees around the country. We are now building up a good team of people to help out at shoots. Obviously more will be needed in the run up to the Commonwealth Games, so

any person or State that wishes to get these qualifications, please get in touch with the Association. We acknowledge and thank the people who in the past have spent considerable time helping out at competitions.

ISSF RULE CHANGES

Once again a section of Rules has been changed for finals. Shell checks prior to the final have been made stricter, taking up more time. This will be done at the 2016 ISSF Nationals in Brisbane.

2016 will be a selection time for those wishing to compete for a place in the Olympic Team. We wish all shooters the best of luck in their shooting. We also wish those chosen a wonderful Olympics, and hope you achieve the best possible result.

Elaine Forward. OAM.

RULES

A meeting of Rules Supervisors was held in September 2015 with all States provided the opportunity through their Rules Supervisors to place amendments and changes on the agenda.

The meeting was an excellent opportunity for those Rules Supervisors to debate the merit of changes and proposed new rules.

Whilst the meeting reached outcomes on the matter in front of them it was by no means unanimous at the beginning. The great aspect was the diverse opinions and reasoning put on the table. The members however were open to debate and the changes recommended to the Executive were supported by all members of the meeting.

The meeting also recommended the adoption of rules for the disciplines ACTA Sportrap, ACTA English Sporting to compliment the ACTA 5 Stand Sporting.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROMOTIONS

NATIONAL GROUND

PROMOTIONS

MEDIA DAY

The Canberra International Clay Target Club hosted a media day arranged by Senator Bridget McKenzie for the Canberra Press Gallery in September 2015.

The event was an attempt to show the media the value of the sport in not only the enjoyment of the sport but also in terms of gun safety. The message is clear, the sport of Clay Target shooting (ACTA) is the safest sport in Australia.

The sport and our organisation are, and must be strong advocates of gun safety. We need to ensure that this aspect of the sport is at the forefront of every action we make.

Senator McKenzie is a shooter and therefore is an advocate of the sport. The Senator heads up the "Friends of Shooters" Committee in Canberra with over fifty members and still attracting new members

AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET SHOOTING NEWS

The CTSN took on a whole new look in 2015 with the magazine going to full gloss. The changes have allowed us to increase the size and quality of the photos in the magazine as well as ensuring a more professional publication.

The magazine is produced with the co-operation of Clubs and States, and with the support of sponsors and advertisers. The CTSN is a quality publication promoting the sport and providing information to members.

NATIONAL GROUND

Work on the ground commenced late in 2015 with drainage installed in areas as identified by the surveys done on the ground. A drainage designer was brought in to provide plans and specifications. The work was contracted to Les Gray Plumbing who installed the drainage in consultation with the designer. Earth works will continue into 2016 to ensure the drains work to maximum effect. These drains will ensure water from heavy rain can be removed from the ground into existing drains that run through and around the property.

A meeting with Wagga Wagga City Council has enabled the ACTA to drain areas of the ground that are currently under the direction of Council. A submission has been lodged over to the ACTA to allow further development of the ground. The decision although supported by the Mayor is still pending.

A new PA system has been installed on the National ground ensuring coverage of the whole ground including the practice traps. The system includes new transmitters, horns, speakers in and around the club house as well as new microphones and portable two way access to the system.

Shelters over the mini grandstands were manufactured off site and installed and sheeted on the ground providing ten shade and rain covers on the ground.

Two Ball Traps have been built and await installation on the ground, the time frame will be determined by the weather and events on the ground.

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS – 2015

The Canterbury Gun Club, New Zealand, hosted the 2015 Glenn Trophy Challenge.

This most prestigious event dates back to 1966 and is conducted at the Skeet Nationals of both countries on alternate years. Odd years it is conducted in New Zealand and even years in Australia. It is a 50 target team event made up of five members from each country.

With a broad range of age and experience in this years team the Australians certainly looked like they meant business in their immaculate uniforms and on the penultimate day of the New Zealand Skeet Nationals several New Zealand titles and trophies were already in Australian hands.

It was New Zealand who won the toss but this proved to be their last win for the day as both teams took to their respective fields to shoot their first 125 targets.

The Australian Team of Dave O'Sullivan, Glenn Walker, Nigel Hughes, Antony Ballarino and Paul Johnston, finished the first round 6 targets down.

Teams swapped layouts for their final round of 125 targets and for the latter part of this second round the wind increased to send high house targets crashing to the ground on station 6 and low houses screaming towards the heavens.

There was a nervous wait as the final scores were obtained, but with relief Australia was declared the winners by a mere 3 targets.

This made 5 consecutive years of winning for Australia.

Dave O'Sullivan was outstanding with a perfect 50/50 and the rest of the team shone through with solid performances. Antony Ballarino showed a calmness and maturity beyond his years and on the whole the team did Australia and their sport proud.

We wish to acknowledge the fierce competition and pride displayed by the New Zealanders and we look forward to the re-match in 2016 in Wagga Wagga, when perhaps the warmer Australian conditions will provide its own set of challenges for our New Zealand friends.

Nigel Hughes

SKEET

CANTERBURY GUN CLUB NEW ZEALAND

*L-R: Antony Ballarino,
Paul Johnston, Dave O'Sullivan,
Glenn Walker, Nigel Hughes*



INTERNATIONAL TEAMS – 2015

SPORTING CAPE TOWN SOUTH AFRICA

3rd WORLD ICTSF SPORTING CLAYS

The 3rd World ICTSF Sporting Clays event was held in South Africa, 40 minutes outside of Cape Town at the beautiful Valley Gun Club. This event is held bi-annually by the International Clay Target Shooting Federation, with the team picked at the ACTA National Sporting Championships.

This year the Australian Team consisted of Brian Mortensen, Daniel Johnson, Reece Turner, Peter Tobin and Bart Brighenti who were all very excited with the challenge of shooting English Sporting which is not as common in Australia as it is in other countries like England and the U.S.A.

There were four warm-up events where the Australian team competed with varying results:

World Championships Day 1 – Saturday 17/10/15

The temperature was 25 degrees and the wind would affect the targets in certain areas of the shooting ground.

Aussies were all pretty disappointed with their scores, realising there were still a few more targets out there than they'd shot. The Australian team scores for day one – Bart Brighenti 85/98, Brian Mortensen 84/98, Daniel Johnson 82/98, Peter Tobin 82/98 and Reece Turner 80/98.

91/98 was the top score for the day with 3 people sharing the overall lead.

World Championships Day 2 – Sunday 18/10/15

The weather was the same as Saturday with wind affecting some shooting stations and targets, making them just that bit harder to hit consistently. Some of the Aussie boys were struggling to match Saturday's effort.

Daniel Johnson shot a 87/102, Reece Turner 81/102, Bart Brighenti 79/102, Brian Mortensen 76/102 and Peter Tobin 74/102.

Both days' scores added together were Daniel Johnson 169/200 15th place, Bart Brighenti 164/200 20th place, Reece Turner 161/200 23rd place, Brian Mortensen 160/200 24th place and Peter Tobin 156/200 31st place.

The Australian Team finished 3rd on the podium behind Ireland and England.

It was an all English affair for the final shoot off with the top 5 shooters shooting 25 targets to decide the World Champion with Martin Myers taking home the silverware by 2 targets.

The culmination of the event saw the team dressed in full uniform including their Australian Blazers.

The team represented our country and the Australian Clay Target Association with pride.

*Australian Sporting
Team:
Daniel Johnson
Peter Tobin
Brian Mortensen
Reece Turner
Bart Brighenti*



80TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice of the 80th Annual General Meeting of the Australian Clay Target Association Incorporated is hereby given to the members.

The meeting will be held on
Sunday 3rd April 2016
Registration commences at 6.30pm
at the
Wagga RSL Club
Corner of Kincaid and Dobbs Street,
Wagga Wagga, NSW 2650

AGENDA

- 1 Opening
- 2 Attendance
- 3 Apologies
- 4 Roll Call and Quorum Rule 17.1
(25 members who are entitled to vote)
- 5 Confirmation of minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting
- 6 Reports
President: R Nugent
Financial: A Styles
- 7 Announcement of the appointment of elected Executive
Committee members in place of the retiring Executive
Committee members
- 8 Appointment of Auditor
- 9 Close of meeting

By order of the Board



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Financial Statements For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Committee members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Robert Nugent	President from 19 June 2015	Alan Styles from 22 March 2015	Tasmania		
Brian Muirson	from 19 June	Queensland	Kim Hibble	Tasmania	
Geoff Moore	from 22 March	Queensland	Gary Hayden	Victoria	
David Howe		Northern Territory	Mal Dyson	Victoria	
Robert Fox		Northern Territory	Garry Read	South Australia	
Terry Marsden		Western Australia	Bronte Evans	South Australia	
Elaine Forward		Western Australia	Allan Vilcins	to 19 June 2015	President until
Don Power		New South Wales		19 June 2015	
Don Johnson		New South Wales	Cheryl Arnol	to 22 March 2015	Tasmania

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Association during the financial year was to operate as a sport's governing body.

Significant changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating results and review of operations for the year

Operating result

The profit of the Association for the financial year after providing for income tax amounted to \$378,937 (2014: \$480,946).

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee:

President:
Robert Nugent

Treasurer:
Alan Styles

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Sales revenue	2,053,491	2,012,101
Cost of sales	(458,493)	(462,477)
Gross profit	1,594,998	1,549,624
Other income	11,371	3,798
Distribution costs	(2,052)	(2,367)
Marketing expenses	(55,861)	(49,632)
Occupancy costs	(18,459)	(16,888)
Administrative expenses	(613,390)	(590,419)
Restructuring costs	(18,877)	-
Competition expenses	(108,976)	(119,915)
State rebates	(36,106)	(38,441)
Committee expenses	(68,937)	(50,713)
Coaching expenses	(91,835)	(58,754)
Ground maintenance	(56,836)	(61,072)
Finance costs	-	(294)
Other expenses	(156,103)	(83,980)
Profit before income tax	378,937	480,947
Taxation	-	-
Profit from continuing operations	378,937	480,947
Other comprehensive income, net of income tax	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	378,937	480,947

Summary of Other Expenses

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Legal fees	19,631	3,167
Professional consultancy services	11,620	9,214
Vehicle costs	10,405	13,198
Affiliations	6,223	6,127
Travel/Accommodation/Admin	11,473	10,706
Depreciation expense	96,750	41,567
	156,103	83,980

Note: Depreciation, amortisation - impairment

Due to a number of accounting adjustments processed in 2014 in relation to depreciation and the estimated useful lives on our asset base, the comparative figure in 2015 appears high. The 2015 figure is a more accurate reflection of the impairment required on our asset base and these figures should normalise from 2016 and beyond.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

31 December 2015

Note	2015 \$	2014 \$
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,219,294	1,766,667
Trade and other receivables	387,131	332,636
Inventories	11,918	18,977
Other assets	40,716	22,149
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	2,659,059	2,140,429
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	3,082,271	2,956,094
Trade and other receivables	60,000	60,000
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	3,142,271	3,016,094
TOTAL ASSETS	5,801,330	5,156,523
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	143,082	162,125
Provision for employee benefits	107,588	92,401
Loan Wagga Wagga City Council	30,000	32,500
Other liabilities	726,536	432,382
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	1,007,206	719,408
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Provision for employee benefits	13,690	8,117
Loan Wagga Wagga City Council	137,500	165,000
Other liability	1,000	1,000
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	152,190	174,117
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,159,396	893,525
NET ASSETS	4,641,934	4,262,998
EQUITY		
Reserves	1,791,032	1,719,811
Retained profits	2,850,902	2,543,187
TOTAL EQUITY	4,641,934	4,262,998

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

2015

	Retained Earnings	ISSF Levy Reserve	Asset Revaluation Reserve	Travelling Teams Reserve	Environmental Levy Reserve	Legislation Reserve	Skeet Levy Reserve	Trap Levy Reserve	J Newton Thomas Junior Reserve	Sporting Levy Reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 15	2,543,187	21,572	1,069,155	74,844	79,072	458,554	8,118	126	8,370		4,262,998
Profit attributable to members	378,937	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	378,937
Transfers to/from reserves and other	16,628	-	-	(10,519)	-	-	(3,711)	(1,199)	-	(1,200)	(1)
Transfers from retained earnings to reserves											
- ISSF levy reserve	(2,243)	2,243	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Environmental levy reserve	(8,518)	-	-	-	8,518	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Skeet levy reserve	(5,843)	-	-	-	-	-	5,843	-	-	-	-
- Legislation levy reserve	(26,670)	-	-	-	-	26,670	-	-	-	-	-
- Trap levy reserve	(12,804)	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,804	-	-	-
- Travelling Teams	(30,302)	-	-	30,302	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- J Newton Thomas Junior reserve	(270)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	270	-	-
- Sporting levy reserve	(1,200)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,200	-
Balance at 31 December 2015	2,850,902	23,815	1,069,155	94,627	87,590	485,224	10,250	11,731	8,640	-	4,641,934

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from customers	2,268,494	2,087,034
Payments to suppliers and employees	(1,642,680)	(1,572,305)
Interest received	65,490	62,752
Interest paid	-	(294)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	691,304	577,187
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Acquisition of property plant & equipment	(223,677)	(105,617)
Loans to related parties	(5,000)	(80,000)
Proceeds from loans to related parties	20,000	-
Net cash used by investing activities	(208,677)	(185,617)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Repayment of borrowings	(30,000)	(30,000)
Net cash used by financing activities	(30,000)	(30,000)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held	452,627	361,570
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,766,667	1,405,097
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	2,219,294	1,766,667

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 31 December 2015

The financial statements cover Australian Clay Target Association Inc. as an individual entity. Australian Clay Target Association Inc. is a not-for-profit Association incorporated in Victoria under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* ('the Act').

1 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements that have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards and the Act.

2 Cash Flow Information

(a) Reconciliation of result for the year to cashflows from operating activities

Reconciliation of net income to net cash provided by operating activities:

	2015	2014
	\$	\$
Profit for the year	378,936	480,946
Cash flows excluded from profit attributable to operating activities		
Non-cash flows in profit:		
- depreciation	96,750	41,567
- net (gain)/loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	751	-
- other non cash items	-	5,477
Changes in assets and liabilities, net of the effects of purchase and disposal of subsidiaries:		
- (increase)/decrease in trade and other receivables	(58,547)	72,531
- (increase)/decrease in prepayments and other assets	(29,514)	52,443
- (increase)/decrease in inventories	7,059	2,893
- increase/(decrease) in trade and other payables	(50,020)	53,121
- increase/(decrease) in other liabilities	325,129	(112,351)
- increase/(decrease) in employee benefits	20,760	(19,440)
Cashflow from operations	691,304	577,187

3 Association Details

The registered office of the association is:

Australian Clay Target Association Inc.

PO Box 466

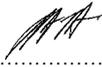
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Statement by the Executive and Supervisory Boards

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 2:

1. Present fairly the financial position of Australian Clay Target Association Inc. as at 31 December 2015 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Australian Clay Target Association Inc. will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:

President

Robert Nugent

Treasurer

Alan Styles

Dated this 16th day of February 2016

*The information presented is an extract from the financial statements and the extracts have not been audited.
A full set of the audited financial statements is available on the ACTA website at the AGM or by request.*

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT - UNAUDITED

	2015 \$	2014 \$
Income		
Sale of goods	611,533	635,305
Fees	1,341,871	1,286,274
Interest income	65,489	62,752
Grants	25,000	25,000
Donations	9,598	2,770
Insurance recoveries	8,786	-
Other income	3,336	3,798
Total Income	2,065,613	2,015,899
Less: Expenses		
Advertising	19,245	22,468
Auditors remuneration - parent entity	15,000	15,328
Bank charge	9,313	8,823
Cleaning	1,786	1,527
Computer expenses	(784)	5,439
Consulting and professional fees	31,251	12,381
Consumables	6,725	-
Depreciation	96,750	41,567
Electricity & water	29,177	30,754
Finance costs - external	-	294
Freight and cartage	2,052	2,367
Gas	3,645	3,821
Insurance	45,865	45,891
Leave pay	6,071	5,519
Long service leave	14,689	13,921
Motor vehicle expenses	10,405	13,198
Security costs	8,020	8,025
Rates and taxes	10,439	8,863
Other expenses	8,873	9,074
Permits, licences and fee	465	68
Postage	19,809	16,598
Printing and stationery	12,100	8,005
Promotions	36,616	27,165
Restructuring expense	18,877	-
Salaries	375,733	359,400
Staff training	200	145
Subscriptions	6,224	6,127
Superannuation contributions	38,966	36,801
Telephone and fax	13,225	16,600
Training	2,623	2,801
Travel - local	11,473	10,707
Uniforms	2,838	3,250
Workers compensation	7,071	6,656
Cost of sales	458,493	462,477
Competition expenses	108,976	119,915
State rebate	36,106	38,441
Committee expenses	68,937	50,713
Coaching expenses	91,835	58,754
Ground maintenance	56,836	61,072
Total Expenses	1,685,925	1,534,955
Other items:		
Gain on disposal of assets	(751)	-
	(751)	-
Profit before income tax	378,937	480,944

FUTURE OUTLOOK



GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Provide leadership for the sport of clay shooting through effective governance and management.

- Ensure governance, policies and management structures are in place to achieve ACTA strategic goals.
- Conduct regular Executive Committee meetings to address and provide direction on governance, strategic and financial issues.
- Review the sub-committee structure in terms of number, roles/responsibilities and representation.
- Review and amend the ACTA Constitution in line with Legislation.
- Review strategic plan annually.
- Prepare the Annual Report to present at the AGM to all member affiliates.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS 2015

QLD –	Mr Robert Nugent, President
NSW –	Mr Don Johnson
NSW –	Mr Don Power
NT –	Mr Robert Fox
NT –	Mr David Howe
QLD –	Mr Brian Muirson
QLD –	Mr Geoff Moore
SA –	Mr Bronte Evans
SA –	Mr Garry Read
TAS –	Mr Kim Hibble
TAS –	Mr Alan Styles
VIC –	Mr Malcolm Dyson
VIC –	Mr Gary Hayden
WA –	Mrs Elaine Forward OAM
WA –	Mr Terry Marsden

RETIRED IN 2015

Mr Allan Vilcins
Mrs Cheryl Arnol

LEADERSHIP GOVERNANCE MANAGEMENT

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE MEMBERS 2015

2015 National Executive



ACTA MEMBERS RECOGNISED

LIFE REGISTERED MEMBERS

PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL RECIPIENTS

HALL OF FAME MEMBERS TRAP AND SKEET

LIFE REGISTERED MEMBERS

J Houston †
 H G James †
 D B Mott †
 W E H Rainbird. O.B.E. †
 J M Wilson †
 J M Tyquin †
 K Soames †
 N Wells †
 E T Baldwin †
 G H Hall (PP) †
 E G Biggs †
 R H Moyse †
 L S R Stewart †
 C Moll †
 A Pedersen (PP) †
 O R Taylor †
 E F Hawkins (PP) †
 R Mules †
 A N Rowe †
 L G Connors (PP) †
 W Jones (PP) †
 R M Holtfreter (PP) †
 N Hardy
 L J Martin (PP)
 J K Scott (PP)
 R F Buchan
 J Murphy
 G G Woodhatch (PP)
 R Silvester
 R Nugent
 J Byrnes (PP)
 A Kenny
 D Harwood
 J Mack (PP)
 R Traill †

† Denotes deceased
 PP denotes Past President

PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL RECIPIENTS

1980 G Porter Qld
 1981 R Mules SA
 G Richards WA
 J Thomas Vic
 1982 R Buchan Vic
 1984 L Bird NSW
 A Smith Qld
 1986 T Comerford Qld
 1987 E Biggs Vic
 1988 R Holtfreter WA
 1989 R Varley NSW
 1990 E Hawkins NSW
 1993 J Forbes SA
 1994 J Scott NSW
 1996 F James Vic
 W Morgan Tas
 1997 F Atkinson SA
 1998 L Connors Vic
 1999 T Catling WA
 2002 G Michell SA
 G Woodhatch Vic
 2004 R Mason Tas
 2005 K Wright Vic
 2008 J Shepherd Vic
 R Woodrow Qld
 2009 T Meadows Qld
 2010 V Gatt NSW
 2011 J Byrnes SA
 P Haley NSW
 2012 R Smith NSW
 2013 R Traill Vic
 2014 R Blake NSW

HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

TRAP

2004 Fred Burns
2004 Jack Blake
2004 Warren Charlton
2004 Doug Smith
2004 J. Newton Thomas
2005 Arthur 'Pud' Burgess
2005 Jack Headon
2005 Jack McCraith
2005 Sperry Marshall
2005 Bill Stevens
2006 George Biggs
2006 Horace Donnelly
2006 Alf James
2006 Ken Lowry
2006 Jim Ellis
2007 Barry Kable
2007 Neil Berry
2007 Jo Raleigh
2008 John Green
2008 Bill Iles
2008 Jon Whittakers
2009 Lynne Curtis
2009 Russell Mark
2009 Vince Ryan
2010 Donald Mackintosh
2010 Violet Reade
2010 Arthur Turner
2011 Craig Bentley
2011 Jack 'Calrossie' Sutherland
2012 Stephen Atkins
2012 Cecilie Daly
2012 William Grant
2013 Glen Hayden
2014 Deserie Baynes
2014 Roger Duthie
2014 Charles Medway
2015 Steve Haberman
2015 Nanette McCallum

SKEET

2008 Reginald Clarke
2009 Ken Lowry
2010 Adrian Cousens
2011 Paul Johnston
2012 Leigh Roberts
2013 Laurie Chelepy
2014 Julian Lucchitti
2015 Brian Thomson

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2015
ISSF NATIONALS
NEWCASTLE
LAKE MACQUARIE
CLAY TARGET
CLUB

ISSF

The 2015 ISSF Championships commenced with rain on Monday to greet the competitors. The club received almost 6 inches of rain during the day.

ISSF NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Commonwealth Women's Double Trap: Taylah - Jane Turner

National Womens Double Trap:

Taylah - Jane Turner

National Womens Double Trap HG:

Taylah - Jane Turner

Commonwealth Double Trap:

James Willett

National Double Trap:

Alessandro Chianese

National Double Trap HG:

Alessandro Chianese

Junior National Double Trap HG:

James Willett

Mens Double Trap Interstate Team winner: NSW 347/450

Commonwealth Womens Skeet:

Suzy Balogh

National Womens Skeet: Laura Coles

National Womens Skeet HG:

Laura Coles

Commonwealth Skeet: Clive Barton

National Skeet: Paul Adams

National Skeet HG: Paul Adams

Junior Skeet HG: Daniel Wear

Mens Skeet Team winner:

Vic 326/375

Commonwealth Women's ISSF Trap:

Catherine Skinner

National Womens Trap:

Laetisha Scanlan

National Womens ISSF Trap HG:

Catherine Skinner

Junior National Trap HG:

Kimberley Pearce

Womens Interstate Team winner:

Qld 180/225

Commonwealth Trap: Todd Malone

National Trap: Graeme Ede

National Trap HG: Michael Diamond

Junior National Trap HG: Mitchell Iles

International Trap HG: Graeme Ede

Mens Trap Interstate Team winner:

Vic 332/375

Glenn Shield – Australia vs New Zealand

Australian score: 330/375

New Zealand score: 328/375

Laura Coles



TRAP

There were over 2560 entries for the week of National events.

The opening State Shoulder to Shoulder events were conducted with New South Wales taking the Juniors with 222/225. The Ladies event was won by Victoria 217/225. The Northern Territory won the Veterans category with 221/225. The Open State Teams event was won by Western Australia 372/375.

National President Allan Vilcins welcomed all shooters and dignitaries to the National Championships.

The Best Dressed Team was Queensland, announced by ACTA Patron Kay Hull with Allan Vilcins presenting the SACTA Perpetual Trophy. Kay also awarded each Team member with the ACTA Gold medal.

Overall winner of each event were:

Double Barrel, sponsored by Beretta Australia: Darryn Nicholls 616/616.

Double Rise, sponsored by Mialls Gun Shop: Patrick Guida 127/130.

National Handicap, sponsored by Beretta Australia: Darryn Nicholls from 25m 82/82.

Champion of Champions, sponsored by Winchester: Lynne Curtis 222/222.

Single Barrel, sponsored by Hunts Shooting Supplies: Tom Turner 100/100.

ANZ Points Score, sponsored by PCM Enviro: Glen Castellaro 308/309.

The Australian Glenn Cup Team of Glen Castellaro, Charlie Sherry, Clayton Cusack, Robert Anderson and Craig Fitzgerald won with a score of 247/250 with the New Zealand Team members Boston Walker, John Waldron, Mike Sime, Toby Nicholl and Gavin Searle shooting 240/250.

High Guns, sponsored by Casella Wines: Overall High Gun, Glen Castellaro 857/875.

Ladies High Gun, Amanda Holt 687/725.

Sub Junior High Gun, Jack Cullinan 695/725.

Junior High Gun, Cooper Mooney 703/725.

Veterans High Gun, Jim West 680/725.

Mackintosh event, sponsored by Perazzi: Mackintosh Open Team High Gun, Darryn Nicholls 722/723.

Mackintosh Ladies Team High Gun, Laura Woolley 298/300.

Mackintosh Junior Team High Gun, James Hayden 299/300.

Mackintosh Veteran Team High Gun, Max Medhurst 302/303.

2015 TRAP NATIONALS

NATIONAL SHOOTING GROUND WAGGA WAGGA

Glen Castellaro



NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2015
SKEET
NATIONALS

NATIONAL
SHOOTING
GROUND
WAGGA WAGGA

SKEET

The 2015 Skeet Nationals attracted a very strong and almost capacity field to the National Ground in May.

Laurie Durham became the inaugural National 28 Gauge Champion whilst Peter Vella took out the inaugural 410 Bore National event.

2015 Major event winners:

1st National Skeet 28 Gauge Championship – Laurie Durham 65/65.

1st National Skeet 410 Bore Championship – Peter Vella 50/50.

9th National Skeet Champion of Champions – Leigh Roberts 106/106.

17th National Skeet 20 Gauge Championship – Benn Baker 100/100.

16th National Skeet Handicap – David Jones 190/193.

2015 Commonwealth Skeet Championship – Gil Farish 137/137.

46th National Skeet Championship – Antony Ballarino 111/111.

Leigh Roberts

29th National Skeet Doubles Championship – Matthew Fallon 100/100.

Graded High Guns:

C Grade High Gun – Jack Bird 480.

B Grade High Gun – Matthew De Paoli, 507.

A Grade High Gun – Aislin Jones 526.

AA Grade High Gun – Glenn Clarke 541.

Sectional High Guns:

Women's High Gun – Aislin Jones 526.

Junior High Gun – Antony Ballarino 539.

Veterans High Gun – John Tonkin 531.

OVERALL HIGH GUN

Overall High Gun – Leigh Roberts 544.

2015 Australian Representative Glenn Trophy Team:

David O'Sullivan 249, Antony Ballarino 249, Leigh Roberts 248, Paul Johnston 247 and Glenn Walker, 247.



SPORTING

The Wagga Gun Club hosted the 2015 National Sporting Clays Championships at the ACTA National Ground in Wagga Wagga over the last weekend in August. The program was shot over four fields using a total of 28 traps. Again, as in the past years it was a credit to the organisers and the small dedicated group of Wagga Gun Club members who gave freely of their time for several days leading up to the event and who managed to present a great range of targets for the maximum field of 120 shooters.

Winchester Australia was the major sponsor for the Championships. ACTA 100 target Sporting Clays Championship:

Overall – Brian Mortensen 98/100.
 Junior – Kyle Morrow 82/100,
 Ladies – Renae Birgan 89/100,
 Veterans – John Torresan 90/100.

Commonwealth 100 target Sporting Clays Championship:

Overall – Peter Tobin 105/110.
 Junior – Emalene Munro 83/100,
 Ladies – Renae Birgan 92/100,
 Veterans – John Torresan 90/100.

22nd ACTA National Sporting Clays Championship:

Overall – Brian Mortensen 200/210.
 Junior – Kyle Morrow 161/200,
 Ladies – Renae Birgan 181/200
 Veterans – John Torresan 180/200.

Winning scores were generally higher than in 2014, possibly due to the better weather.

3 Persons Team:

This year's winning team of Daniel Johnson, Brian Mortensen and Bill Zogagiannis, representing Traralgon FGA, shot a combined winning score of 554/600.

State Teams Match:

Five teams competed for the National Sporting Clays Bruce Hall Perpetual Trophy, which was won this year by the Victorian team. Team members were Reece Turner, Craig McNeil and Jack Gibbs who finished with a total combined score of 529/600.

2015 SPORTING NATIONALS

NATIONAL SHOOTING GROUND WAGGA WAGGA

Brian Mortensen



COMMONWEALTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

2015 COMMONWEALTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

ECHUCA CLAY TARGET CLUB

1. Commonwealth Double Rise Championship
Overall, Craig Kelly
68/70.
 2. Commonwealth Handicap
Overall, James Hayden
53/55.
 3. Commonwealth Single Barrel Championship
Overall, Michael Williams
52/52.
 4. Double Barrel Championship
Overall, Craig Kelly
251/251.
 5. Commonwealth Points Score
Overall, Mitchell Iles
153/153.
 6. Commonwealth Champion of Champions
Overall, Terry Walls
148/150.
- Commonwealth High Guns
Overall, Mitchell Iles
465/475.
AA, Stephen Atkins,
460/475.
A, Fiona Dobbins
431/475.
B, Joshua Knight
421/475.
C, Tim Hawkins
363/475.
Junior, Mitchell Iles
465/475.
Ladies, Laura Woolley
442/475.
Veteran, Robert Viney
455/475.

Mitchell Iles



HALL OF FAME 2015



HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE – TRAP

Steve Haberman



HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE – TRAP

Nanette McCallum



PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL RECIPIENT

Bob Blake



DOUG SMITH MEDALIST

Darryn Nicholls



HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE – SKEET

Brian Thomson



ADRIAN COUSENS MEDALIST

Michael Buttigieg



