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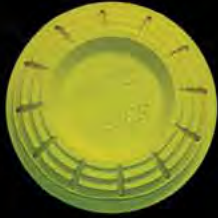


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*Overall High Gun at this year's South Australian Skeet Carnival was Michael Buttegieg.*

*Michael shot a near perfect score of 297/300, missing only three targets over the three days.*

*Congratulations Michael.*

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# President's Report

*There is no doubt that the Coronavirus has had a significant effect on our daily lives; our work, our families and our recreation. With government guidelines placing such limiting restrictions on people's movements, pronounced changes to programs and events have had to be made by our Association, our States, our Zones and our Clubs.*

*Two significant changes, at a National level, have been our Carnivals. Initially, we have rescheduled the National Trap Carnival to begin on Monday 5th October. This will follow on directly from the NSWCTA State Trap Carnival and, time dependant, may restrict events on the first day to State Teams events and the Opening Ceremony.*

*The National Skeet competition is scheduled to begin on Sunday 1st November.*

*As you would understand, these dates may need to be reassessed and it is intended that they will be reviewed in July before a final decision is made. We know that you will all understand the reasoning behind this.*

*The postponing of the National events, coupled with cancellations of functions at the Conference Centre and the slowing in the number of membership renewals, has placed considerable challenges before us in relation to Association income. While the ACTA is in a strong financial position to deal with the current emergency, appreciable re-budgeting has been required and implemented. Expenditure has been reduced where possible, and payments have been delayed or postponed until next year where applicable.*

*At this point of time it is not envisaged that staff reductions will be required. Investigations are taking place as to how the ACTA can take advantage of options provided by the Federal and State Governments and we will ensure that, where possible, assistance is claimed for our Association. I would like at this point, to express my thanks to the staff at the ACTA headquarters. They have done a remarkable job in challenging*

*and unpredictable circumstances and are to be congratulated on their efforts.*

*One noteworthy challenge we are facing is the continuing production of the Clay Target News magazine. With clubs unable to hold their monthly competitions there are no shoot reports, articles or club advertising available. ACTA consider that the CT magazine is an essential communication tool with the members and are looking for members' assistance in providing suitable material in the coming months. Clubs, Zones and States are asked to consider stories regarding club history, Zone and State reports and highlighting any interesting activities that may be happening. This will assist production greatly. In this edition, the Bendigo CTC have supplied a great article on the early history of the club that will generate a lot of interest. There is also an article from a member who is an optometrist, we hope will become a regular feature and a report from the Riverina Zone in New South Wales.*

*In recent times there has been a restructuring and redevelopment of the ACTA's Coaching Program. On the 20th March, of this year, the State Coaches met with the ACTA Coaching Committee to outline a new plan going forward. A full report of the findings of the meeting is available in this edition.*

*One impact of the postponement of the Trap Nationals has been the cancellation of the Association's Annual General Meeting. Incorporation regulations require that the AGM must be conducted before the 31st May 2020. It is now planned to hold this meeting via video conferencing and Clubs have been emailed the relevant information on what is required to prepare for this meeting. It is certain to be a momentous event.*

*The Coronavirus has also impacted our sport internationally. The World DTL event that was to be held at Bywell Shooting Grounds in England has had to be postponed. It is now scheduled to be held in July 2021, at the same venue, with*

the dates to be confirmed in September. The Australian team that was selected at the National DTL Championships at Roma will still be the representative team in 2021.

You may recall that the ACTA initiated a Club Membership Incentive Program in an effort to encourage clubs to develop and increase their club memberships. This provides a financial reward to clubs that are able to increase their membership levels above 20% from their 2019 figures. With the current environment creating further membership challenges at all levels of our Association, this incentive will continue until the 30th April. A 2020 Membership Renewal form is available in this edition to help clubs try to achieve the membership increase and therefore receive the incentive from the program.

With the future unknown and unpredictable during these unprecedented times, I trust you and your families stay safe and healthy over the coming months.

*Mal Dyson*  
ACTA President



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## **International Clay Target Shooting Federation**

### **2020 ICTSF World DTL Championships – Update**

The ICTSF is pleased to announce that the postponed World DTL Championships, that were due to be held in July 2020, have now been officially rescheduled.

The Championships will be delayed until 2021 and will continue to be held at the Bywell Shooting Grounds, Bywell Farm, Morpeth (UK). The exact date will be confirmed in September 2020.

The Administrative Council of the ICTSF would also like to announce a change of leadership of the Federation. Due to a review of the positions held, the Council has decided to appoint Mr Mal Dyson as President and Mr Robert Nugent as Secretary. There has been no appointment of a Vice President at this stage and nominations will be called for in due course for a Northern Hemisphere representative.

Mr Dyson was pleased to confirm that the finances of the ICTSF are in “good shape” and continue to be administered by the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association (CPSA) – the National Governing body of Clay Target Shooting in England.

The ICTSF website has been reactivated and contains updated notices regarding the Championships. The ICTSF will continue to use the website to communicate updated notices and any further communications as they are handed down by the Administrative Council.

Mr Dyson extended his thanks, and that of the ICTSF, to Luke Luckhoff for his work on getting the website back up and running.

Should you have any questions or queries you are advised to refer to the ICTSF website [www.ictsfglobal.com](http://www.ictsfglobal.com) as all updates and information will be disseminated through there.



# Chief Executive Officer's Report

*Thank you to all of our members for your kind understanding and support during this very challenging period while we continue to struggle and continue to do our best to remain buoyant through these unfamiliar and uncertain times. Firstly, we hope you all are well and coping with the social distancing restrictions that we are all currently facing and having imposed upon us. Unfortunately, this is a situation which is out of every ones' control, so we need to be patient and understanding that we're all in this together (please excuse the cliché), and hopefully, there is a better outcome on the other side for all our efforts, and in the not-too-distant future.*

*This organisation is a Member's Association, and, stating the obvious, without you, our members and your financial contributions, we wouldn't be here to deliver membership services for your ultimate benefit, be that now or in the future. Like most sporting organisations, the ACTA is the by-product of its members ... it was born and has evolved over the years through the demand to meet the needs, requirements and benefits of our participants and our sport, and as such we are all one and the same. As our members, you therefore each have ownership and a vested interest in this Association with the ambition that it will continue to deliver the products, services and opportunities that you hope to enjoy as members of this sport. It is always our pinnacle ambition to keep your Association alive and well, (which remains even more the case during this difficult period), and we now hope to use some of this "re-diverted" time to go from reactive to proactive mode and improve our processes and procedures so we will be able to deliver Improved services to all members moving to the back end of 2020 and beyond.*

*So, now is probably a good time to reflect on what it means to be a member of this Association. Firstly, legislatively and compliance-wise, we provide the opportunity for people such as yourselves, (who choose), to own a firearm and be involved with*

*recreational sports shooting activities. The Firearms Registries around Australia mandatorily require shooting club membership on an ongoing, annual basis as part of the recreational licencing process, and this, in turn, allows people to participate in organised competitions within their clubs, (when this is not constrained by Government and available), as well as independent, individual sports hunting activities. We also represent our members through representation, attendance and active participation on gun-lobby advisory committees such as the Federal Parliamentary Firearms Stakeholders Community and State Firearms Registry Meetings.*

*You will all be aware that the ACTA's delivery of membership services is far more intricate than simply "running Nationals Championships". While this is one of our many functions, sadly we haven't been able to deliver these for you in the first half of this year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We were, however, 95% of the way towards the preparation and delivery process prior to the requirement to cancel our Trap event one week out from the commencement date. This included registration/nomination processes, ordering and purchasing medals, sashes, targets, grounds and equipment maintenance and preparation, sponsorship and prizes contracts, Arms Fair preparation, administration, squadding, obtaining Risk Assessment Reports to obtain and receive Firearms Registry permits, preparing opening ceremonies and the like. Thus, while a great deal of staffing resource and cost was devoted to the events, this effort unfortunately came to no fruition. Then, there has needed to be a reversal of much of the preparation process in order to reimburse nominations, cancel security, fencing companies, ceremonies, notifications, compliance notifications to Firearms Registry and clubs, etc.*

*Next, we are the official delivery agent of your sporting events. These includes Trap, Skeet, Sporting Clays and ISSF. We were fortunate to run the ISSF Nationals prior to the Covid-19 shutdown, and*

these ISSF events formed the greater part of the Pre-Olympic Selection Trials which showcases and promotes this great sport to the greater community. We also are affiliated with ICTSF which offers elite performance pathways at the international competition level. We are a member organisation of Shooting Australia which is the conduit between our sport and the Australian Sports Commission. As part of our charter, we provide essential Coaching Accreditation and education, Referees accreditation and junior development pathways in order to keep our sport moving forward.

As an organisation, we are the parent body of our State Clay Target Associations, who are consisted of zones, the zones being your group of local area Clay Target Clubs. Organisationally, therefore, Executive Members of Clubs are appointed to Zones to States, all of the way up to National Executive Committee level. In this way, the National Executive Committee represents the needs of the sport and all of its members through each of the four levels of structure and participation.

Administratively, we record all membership activity on a database that requires the employment of a membership manager, delivered through a subscription-based service provider. We have a Finance Officer that performs all of the fiscal functions of the organisation including membership payments from and to our 250+ clubs. We have a \$7.5 million Function Centre which has a dedicated staff member to market, promote and deliver events at that facility. We have a 35 hectare property that needs to be constantly curated, maintained and kept in peak condition by two Grounds and Facilities staff. We have insurance policies that protect and assist members and assets of the Association from accident to business, property, team travel, liability and member's property covers. We have a Clay Target e-News that provides members with news and stories that help to keep our community informed and engaged. Add to that a whole raft of ongoing expenses such as rates, property mortgage repayments, cleaning, licences, maintenance contracts, security, internet, web services, phones, electricity, software contracts, stationary, asset repairs, maintenance and replacement, committee costs, contributions to touring teams, legal, compliance, depreciation, audits ... plus more, and you can easily see that we allocate our member's funds as diligently and carefully as we possibly can.

So what will you hope to see occur in the next few months? We will be working on a new web page and database my-page. We will be hoping to work with the database provider to incorporate a smartphone app capability. We will be revising administration functions and developing procedures manuals for events and services. We will continue to develop a new and modern constitution for approval by our membership. Later in the year, we will re-embark on our ambition to develop a new Strategic and Business Plan that will guide us forward to bigger and better things.

In light of all these factors, thank you again for continuing to support and keep your Association alive and well through these difficult times. We look forward to welcoming many of you back to the National Grounds later this year, (if we have official permission to proceed), for the conduct of the Sporting Clays Nationals in late August, the Trap Nationals in early October and the Skeet Nationals in early November. We will advise you of any changes as we move forward and are informed of the allowances or restrictions by the powers that be.

I hope everyone keeps well and remains safe.

Paul Gilbert  
ACTA Chief Executive Officer



With competition not available to members, why not take this opportunity to download a copy of the 2020 ACTA Rule Book, available from the ACTA website.

Go to Members/Rules/Shooting Rule Book

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# South Australian Skeet Carnival



South Australia had been deliberating over the past couple of years as to the viability of hosting a day of sub-gauge events. Last year, ICTC member Tore Pipicella took it on himself to promote a day of shooting .410 and 28g just before the State Skeet titles. The day went reasonably well with 3 squads showing up last year for each of the gauges. This year, that increased to 5 squads for each of the sub-gauges and there was a lot more interest to continue in years to come. BronzeWing Australia

decided to come to the party again and assist with sponsorship of some NSI sub-gauge slabs which was very well received. Most competitors were happy to have been given the opportunity to shoot these gauges and hopefully with the support of these competitors we will keep this going and see if we can grow it through more word of mouth. And to that end, Friday March 5th has arrived, and again, we've all aged another year since we met here last year at the South Australian State Skeet titles. Weather conditions were overcast but calm with very little breeze.

Eventual winners of the sub-gauge events were: Nathan Campbell for the 28gauge with a 49/50 and Sam Agostino took the .410 with a 48/50. Overall for the two events (and only 5 points down) was Sam Agostino 95/100. Congratulations and Well Done! And, thank you also to Tore and his family winery for assisting in the prizes for the sub-gauges. Please spread the word so that we can see a few others joining us next year and making these events even bigger.

Although the Western Australian State Carnival was held on the weekend before us, we were fortunate enough to be up a few squads for our Carnival this year.

The competitors that made it here were all here vying to try their skill at claiming one of the many Red State sashes that were on offer. Lurking around every corner and walking amongst us were some of the best Skeet shooters in Australia waiting to pounce and claim one of the available State titles.

Around the well manicured grounds, friends that hadn't caught up for a while were seen chatting and laughing and catching up on all the latest goss from their travels around this country. The atmosphere was already buzzing with a few caravanners and campers arriving to guarantee themselves a good spot and get some practice in to familiarise themselves with the grounds again before the games begin tomorrow.

The weather gods have been kind to us this year with mild to warm temperatures forecast. Practice day went off without a hitch and everyone chilled out while they were contemplating the results of tomorrow.

As Saturday morning arrived, there was the usual scurry of activity early in the morning as the 4 layouts were being tested and corrected for speeds, angles, heights and distances. A word of thanks has to go out to the limited State Exec who also put in countless hours in preparation to make sure everyone has a great Carnival. Thank you also to the ground staff for their trap filling and maintenance which makes the shooting experience a lot more pleasant for all our competitors.

9am on the dot and the first event was called – the 50 target State Skeet 20 gauge Championship. 13 squads (up 3 squads on last year) headed out to contest the event in reasonably calm conditions with clear skies. After a good deal of huffing and puffing, only 6 competitors ended up shooting the



20 gauge C grade 1st  
Alessandro Forza



20 gauge B grade 1st  
Joe Densley



20 gauge Overall Open winner Richard Sammon



20 gauge A grade 1st & Ladies winner Kerry Anderson



20 gauge AA grade 1st John Rodden



20 gauge Veteran winner Fred Guyatt

perfect score and went out to see who would take the honours. In the end, the results were: C grade was taken by Allesandro Forza 44/50 and 2nd was Jay Anderson. B grade went to Joe Densley 47/50 and Chris Parkin 2nd. Kerry Anderson got the 1st in A 54/54 and Simon Hewitt 2nd. AA grade 1st went to John Rodden 82/83, 2nd was Salvatore Agostino. And, the honours for Overall went to Richard

Sammon 83/83. Veteran winner was Fred Guyatt, Ladies went to Kerry Anderson and the Junior was James Sachetta.

At this point, SACTA Patron, retired Judge Kelvyn Prescott was called upon to award the Junior Scholarship. The announcement of the recipient had been made at the State DTL Carnival a few weeks before but, Hannah Munro being a Skeet shooter had been asked to attend at our State Skeet so that she could be presented with the Scholarship. An elated Hannah and her family were extremely

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*Hannah Munro - Junior Scholarship Reciepiant being presented her award by SACTA Patron Retired Judge Keloyne Prescott*

grateful to the State for providing such a generous opportunity for upcoming juniors. Hannah received a \$2,000.00 contribution from the Association which can go toward anything associated with her growth in this sport. Congratulations Hannah.

By now, squad cards were already out for the 2nd event for the day which was the 50 target State Skeet Handicap Championship. 16 squads made it out to the walks (up 2 squads on last year) and over the rest of the day the temperature went a little higher to 28° and the breezes became stronger. All the competitors were hoping that they would get through their 50 targets before we saw any increase in the winds. As they came off, everyone was hovering around the scoreboard to see where their positions were and if they were in with a chance.

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*State Handicap 5th place  
Michael Huxtable*



*State Handicap 4th place  
Jason Stevens*

*Flags from every State flying over the ICTC Clubhouse*





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State Handicap 3rd place  
Liz Rymill



State Handicap 2nd place  
Michael Buttegieg

Office staff were busy counting the numbers and making up the new cards for the shoot-off's hoping that time was not going to get away from us.

5.30pm we started the shoot-off's with 6 full squads. Finally when all and was said and done, we managed to get through the first day at 7pm, and because of the lateness of the final shoot-off the presentation was postponed until tomorrow night. The top 5 were: 5th – Michael Huxtable 83/88, 4th – Jason Stevens 82/89, 3rd – Liz Rymill 103/106, 2nd – Michael Buttegieg 112/113, and taking the Red State sash and the Overall title this year was Janette Densley, with a well shot 111/114. Great shooting Janette.



State Handicap Overall winner Janette Densley

As day 1 drew to a close, everyone headed out to some of the local hotels and eateries for a well earned break and to get refreshed for the start of the qualifying events on the Sunday morning.

8.15am on Sunday morning saw the start of the 25 target Open Zone Team Shoots with everyone vying for the winning placing and their names on the title. Central and Eastern fought it out with the eventual

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Zone winners - Central - L-R Bob Dower, Tore Pipicella, Luca Forza, Lyn Schubert, Benn Baker & Nathan Campbell



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*Shoot Marshall Michael Raper making sure everything runs smoothly*

winners (by just 5 targets) coming in as Central Zone with 145/150. There is always a lot of rivalry and sledging (in a fun way) between these 2 teams each year. Team members were:- Nathan Campbell, Tore Pipicella, Benn Baker, Lyn Schubert, Luca Forza & 6th shooter Bob Dower. Congratulations to Central Zone!!

While the Zone shoots were in progress, people were wandering around the grounds having their bacon and egg rolls for breakfast and waiting for the call up. Shooting conditions were near perfect, bright, sunny, mid 20's and barely a breeze. Smack on 9am the 16 squads were called out for the 3rd event, the 100 target State Skeet Singles Championship.

As the day went on, the usual prevailing winds came through to give a few competitors a bit of grief. Everyone persevered and the day ticked along in good time. At the halfway point of this 100 target event, the 1st of the crayfish raffles were drawn and the winner was 'Cockles'.

There were only 2 perfect scores on the board so they went out to face it off – when all the shooting had gone quiet, the results were counted and the winners came in as: C grade, taken by Andrew



*100 tgt State Skeet Singles C grade winner Andrew Hoare*



*100 tgt State Skeet Singles B grade winner Michael Huxtable*



*100 tgt State Skeet Singles A grade & Veteran Lyn Schubert*



*100 tgt State Skeet Singles AA grade winner Michael Buttegieg*



*100 tgt State Skeet Singles Ladies Jacqui Durham*



*100 tgt State Skeet Singles Junior James Sachetta*

Hoare 92/100, 2nd was Ridge Floquet. B grade went to Michael Huxtable this year 92/100 with Guy Yoannidis winning 2nd place. A grade was Lyn Schubert 98/100 with 2nd going to Simon Hewitt.

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1250	7.5, 9	28gm
1290	7.5, 8	28gm
1350	7.5	24gm
1350	7.5, 8	28gm

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100 tgt State Skeet Singles Overall winner Nigel Hughes

AA grade was won by Michael Buttegieg 115/116 with 2nd place going to Jack Stockdale. The highest award went to Nigel Hughes taking the Red State Sash, Silver pin and perpetual trophy with the perfect score of 118/118. Veteran winner was Lyn Schubert, Ladies went to Jacqui Durham and the Junior winner was James Sachetta with a well shot 93/100.

Last formality for the day was the presentations for all 3 events and announce the State Postal Teams. Once this had been done, the teams were told to be in early in the morning to shoot for the positions.

Once this had all been done, everyone went off for a relaxing Sunday night, awaiting the last day of qualifying on the Monday SA public holiday.

As Monday morning started to break, the Postal Teams went out to shoot it off for the team positions and the team High Guns, which this year were: Open – Nathan Campbell, Veterans – Bruce Baker,



Veteran Team L - R Bob Dower, Kat, with Team High Gun Bruce Baker



Ladies Team High Gun State Secretary Deb McPherson

and Ladies – Deb McPherson. Sadly there was no Junior team this year.

On the last day, there was activity at the nom's window to see if there were any squad changes

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Below:  
Open Team L - R Team High Gun Nathan Campbell,  
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for the long distance travellers, and as everyone was sorted out, the 50 target State Champion of Champions got underway right on time.

Six competitors shot the perfect score and there was some friendly rivalry again around the grounds before the shoot-off's began. Final scores came in as Francesco Buttegieg 1st in C 47/50, and Chelsea McKinnon 2nd. B grade went to Jason Stevens 48/50, and 2nd Bruce Baker. A grade winner was Michael Raper 50/50, and 2nd went to Simon Hewitt. AA 1st was Michael Buttegieg 57/58, with 2nd going to Benn Baker. Overall honours went to Ryan Miller who kept his cool and his head down to come in with 54/54. Veteran winner was Brian Clarke, Ladies was Jacqui Durham and Junior went to James Sachetta. A great effort from all these guys.

Time to draw the 2nd crayfish raffle between events and the winner this time was Mark Corbett. Well done Corbo – hope you enjoyed it. This year, we have to thank Bronte & Cockles for their unrelenting perseverance around the grounds in getting everyone to dig deep and donate. The amount that was raised this year (which goes to the Junior Development Fund), was \$1,038.85 – not bad from just 96 competitors. You all deserve a round of applause and a pat on the back. Thank you all so very much.



Champion of Champions  
C grade winner Francesco  
Buttegieg (1st State Red Sash)



Champion of Champions  
B grade winner Jason Stevens

The final event of the weekend then got underway, the 25 pair State Skeet Doubles Championship. 13 squads headed out to fight it out and as scores started coming in, everyone was gathering at the scoreboard checking positions for High Guns.

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Champion of Champions  
A grade winner Michael Raper



Champion of Champions  
AA grade Michael Buttegieg



Champion of Champions Overall Open winner Ryan Miller



Champion of Champions  
Veteran winner Brian Clarke



Champion of Champions Ladies  
winner Jacqui Durham

Winners and scores for the Doubles were: C grade went to Jay Anderson 39/50, and 2nd was Des Neale. B grade was won by Michael Huxtable 46/50, with 2nd place taken by Damien Yon. In A grade, Simon Hewitt got the 1st place 47/50, and 2nd went to Tim Stockdale. In AA, Harry Bader 62/64 got the 1st, and Michael Buttegieg 2nd. The honours and red State Sash for Overall went to Nathan Campbell with a 50/50. Veteran was Max Oakley, Ladies was Lorraine Hughes and Junior was again James Sachetta.

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Champion of Champions Junior  
winner James Sachetta



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Skeet Doubles B grade winner  
Michael Huxtable



Skeet Doubles A grade winner  
Simon Hewitt



Skeet Doubles Overall Open winner Nathan Campbell



Skeet Doubles AA grade winner Harry Bader



Skeet Doubles Veteran winner - Max Oakley accepting his prize while taking a quick nap

After the presentations for these 2 events the 3 day High Guns were also awarded to the highest scorers. With a 284/300 was Junior High Gun James Sachetta. What a fantastic effort from this guy considering the conditions. The Ladies Overall went to Jacqui Durham on 295/314 and the Veteran High Gun was Max Oakley with 290/300. The grade High Guns were: C, Chelsea McKinnon 242/300. B, Jason Stevens 288/314. A, Simon Hewitt 290/300 and AA was Nathan Campbell 295/300. The highest accolade of Overall High Gun this year went to

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Skeet Doubles Junior winner James Sachetta

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Skeet Carnival 3-day Junior High Gun James Sachetta



Skeet Carnival 3-day Ladies High Gun Jacqui Durham



Skeet Carnival 3-day B grade High Gun Jason Stevens



Skeet Carnival 3-day Veteran High Gun Max Oakley



Skeet Carnival 3-day A grade High Gun Simon Hewitt



Skeet Carnival 3-day AA grade High Gun Nathan Campbell



Skeet Carnival 3-day Overall Open High Gun Michael Buttegieg

Michael Buttegieg who shot a near perfect 297/300 missing only 3 targets over the 3 days in the conditions. Congratulations to all these winning competitors.

The last formality was to announce the winning SA shoulder to shoulder travelling teams who were presented with their well earned State badges. The SA Junior Champion Shooter was not contested. Finally the SA Champion shooter award this year went to Nathan Campbell. Congratulations Nathan and 'Well done'!!

At this point we would like to sincerely thank all of our generous sponsors for supporting our State Skeet Carnival this year. Every shooter knows that without their involvement, contribution and support, these events, trophies and prizes would not be possible. This year we take a bow to Bronte Evans Chartered Accountants, Gunforce, Adelaide Gun Shop, Marsh Advantage Insurance, BronzeWing Australia, Kat (for the crayfishes) and SACTA. Thank you all so very much for making our State event a success.

South Australia was fortunate enough to have held this Carnival before the world came crashing down around our ears with this new threat to the world populations. As our Clubs around the Country start closing for an unknown period, hopefully everyone will get through this even though we probably know that we may return to a very different world.



On behalf of our State Executive, I would like to take a few moments to wish all of our friends and competitors safe times ahead during this unprecedented world event.

Finally, a word of thanks to the usual behind the scenes workers that make everything run so

well, from our Shoot Marshall Michael Raper to the staff in the office, on the grounds and in the clubhouse and kitchen. You know who you are and we at SACTA acknowledge and appreciate their relentless assistance in making everything run so seamlessly. On a last note, thanks to

all the shooters that participated and travelled from different States to compete and helped make it a great 2020 State Skeet Carnival. Without you guys, it would be a very small Carnival and we always appreciate your visit to support our State. Where I would normally say "Look forward to catching up with you somewhere around the country", I'll now sign off saying keep yourselves and your families protected at all costs, so we can meet again when the world returns to some semblance of normality.

We hope to see you all again sometime in 2021. Thank you all.

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*SA Champion Shooter Nathan Campbell with SACTA President John Bretag & Len DeCandia*



# Optometry Explained for Shooters

by Luke Higgins

## Presbyopia and Sports Shooting

For this article I wanted to discuss a condition that affects us all – presbyopia. As sports shooters it is worth while having an understanding of this condition as it does have optical implications.

I think before we get into the detail of presbyopia, the reader would benefit of a summary of the eye overall, to provide anatomical landmarks to work from, and then we can focus on the specifics of the condition.

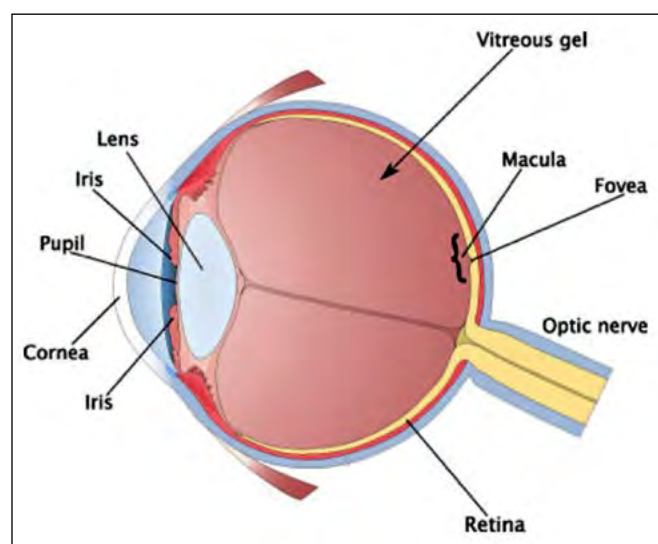


Figure 1: Cross section of the human eye

Figure 1 shows a cross section of the human eye. If we work from left to right across the figure.

At the front of the eye is the cornea – the clear transparent dome that covers the front of our eye. Behind the cornea is the iris – the coloured part of the eye that we see when we look at one another. In the centre of the iris we have the pupil – the black circle/aperture that allows light to pass through our iris.

Just behind the iris is the structure known as the lens. The lens is responsible for our near vision, and it is changes in the lens that cause our reading ability to drop off as we go throughout life. This change in the lens is what is medically defined as the condition ‘presbyopia’. The lens is a remarkable structure, it is made up of little cells similar to the skin cells that cover our body, except in the case of

the cells that make up our lens they are transparent (to allow light to pass through). Similar to the cells that make up our skin, we grow a new layer of cells every 4 weeks, except unlike the skin cells on our body that flake off and drop off into the environment, the lens cells have nowhere to drop off, as the lens is in the middle of the eye. The result of this is the slow build up of cell layers in our lens. This is analogous to the layers of an onion. This process occurs from the moment we are born, so the lens gets thicker and thicker as we go throughout life. If we compare the size of a lens from a new born to an individual who is sixty years old the lens will be three times the size in the sixty year old. The clinical implications of this is the reduction in the ability of the lens to focus on near objects.

When an individual is looking at a distant object [anything greater than six metres], the lens is completely relaxed. When the individual changes their focus to objects closer than six metres the lens changes focus, medically this process is called ‘accommodation’, to allow the object to be seen clearly. When the lens accommodates, it changes its shape, becoming more convex, which allows it to become more optically powerful and focus on the nearer object. This is shown in figure 2. As an individual goes through life, and the lens gets thicker with increased layers of cells, it becomes less flexible/pliable, and loses that ability to change shape – this results in our loss of our ability to read as we go throughout life. This is shown in figure 3. This process is not pathological; it does not harm our eyes, and is just a natural part of the eyes aging. Fortunately presbyopia is a condition that is easily corrected optically – usually just a set of reading spectacles, as shown in figure 4.

There is currently no cure for presbyopia. There is a lot of research occurring all around the world searching for a cure, and the research company that does come up with a treatment will be a company worth having shares in, as this condition affects us all.

Clinically the symptoms are currently managed with three main treatment options; spectacles, contact lenses or laser refractive surgery.

Each of these management options deserves an article in their own right as there are certainly pos-

itives and negatives for each option that warrant discussion.

For clay target shooters, and shotgun shooters in general, the best clinical advice I can give is

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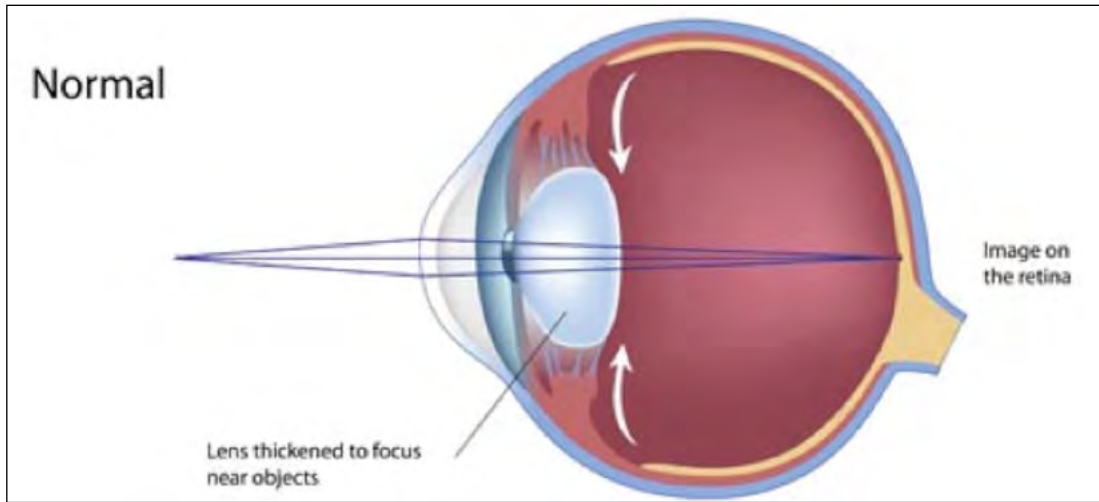


Figure 2: Cross section of the human eye showing the normal focusing/accommodative ability of the human eye

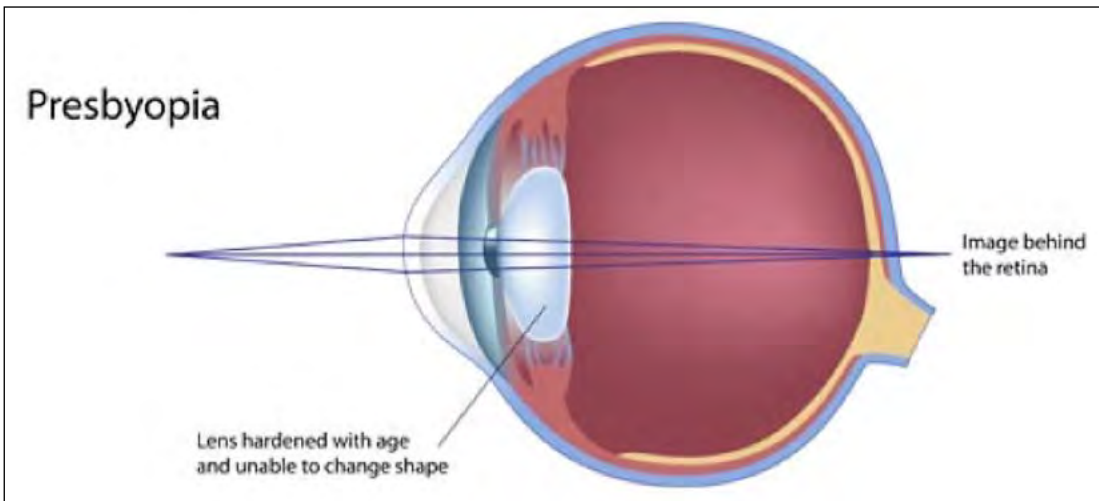


Figure 3: Cross section of the human eye showing the loss of accommodative ability of the human eye in presbyopia

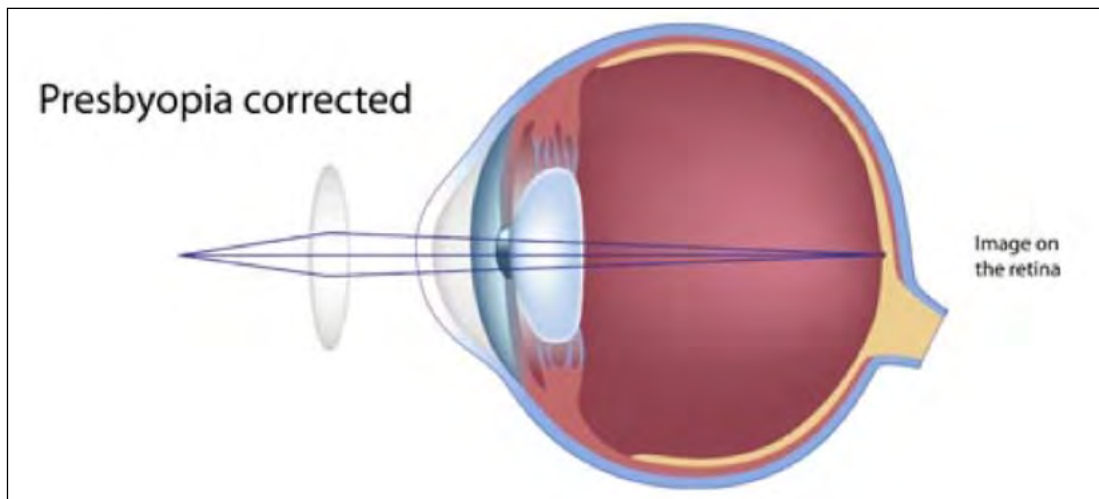


Figure 4: Cross section of the human eye showing the loss of accommodative ability of the human eye and the use of a convex (+) lens to correct the loss in accommodation

# Optometry Explained

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to visit your optometrist and have your distance vision corrected to its optimum resolution. This can be done with spectacles and contact lenses most readily, and laser refractive surgery if the patient is a good candidate.

Most patients opt for the less invasive options of contact lenses or spectacles. There is a marvellous range of sport shooting spectacles available that can have a prescription provided into the spectacle frame that will provide excellent vision outcomes and provide good eye protection.

There is also an extensive range of contact lenses, and lens materials to suit nearly every patient. If a patient does decide on contact lenses, I would strongly recommend they wear some form of protective spectacles. I have seen too many ocular trauma cases over the years that could have easily been avoided if the patient had worn adequate protective eyewear. You only have one set of eyes, and for a sports shooter they are one of your biggest assets.

If you are over the age of forty, your optometrist will most likely have the presbyopia discussion with you, and report that your lens has gotten to the point where it no longer effectively accommodates to focus on near objects such as reading. The optometrist will most likely offer management options (spectacles, contact lenses, or a referral for laser refractive surgery). If spectacles are offered, they will often be one of three options; reading glasses (just worn when required to read), bifocals (lenses that have a line/segment on the lens – one segment for distance and one segment for reading), and progressive multifocals (the lens is made up of multiple segments for distance and reading that are blended together so that there is no defined line on the lens). Bifocal and progressive multifocal spectacles are excellent all round lenses that allow the wearer to wear the spectacles continually for everyday wear. Neither of these lens options are ideal for shotgun shooting. Optically the best option for a shotgun shooter is to have single vision distance spectacles (if required to correct distance vision) – spectacles designed for distance vision only. The reason this is the case is that both progressive multifocals and bifocals are made to be used for when an individual is in the normal primary gaze and primary, normal posture, and looking through the right part of the lens. Both

of these lens types have different prescriptions in different parts of the lens, aimed to be used for different tasks. When shotgun shooters mount the shotgun to the shoulder and put their head on the stock, the shooter will end up looking through a part of the lens that was not designed for clear distance vision. This is why the shotgun shooter is better off using a set of single vision spectacles – that allows clear vision across the lens, and allows for the unusual head posture. If a shooter is struggling with near vision due to presbyopia, particularly over the age of sixty, they will report that when using their distance spectacles that the rib and bead(s) are not particularly clear. This is to be expected, and is not an issue, as the bead(s) are only a reference when you are mounting your shotgun. Once the shotgun is correctly mounted, the shooter should only be interested in seeing the clay target as clearly as possible, which optically is provided best with single vision spectacles or contact lenses.

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# Psychological Skills for Shooting

by Michael Kruger-Davis

## Staying mentally well as we deal with COVID-19

In the previous article I wrote about grief and dealing with the trauma of the upheaval caused by bushfires, now it is COVID-19. I would like a dollar for every time I have heard the expression 'unprecedented times' in the past few weeks, but they are not unprecedented as history will tell us but they are very 'uncertain times'.

COVID-19 has impacted our society greatly. It has and will change our work and social practices over the coming months and will impact on the scaffolding that maintains our mental well-being. Work also provides us with an income and standard of living. COVID-19 is also impacting on our financial resources and our ability to house, feed and clothe ourselves. According to clinical psychologist, Kristine Kafer, work provides a sense of purpose, a sense of achievement, a level of activity and social connection, which enhances our mood and promotes a positive sense of self. As more of us are encouraged to work from home and reduce our socialising, we'll need to prioritise and plan for how to create that scaffolding during these uncertain times. Even if you have never experienced mental health issues in the past, the uncertainty and collective fear surrounding COVID-19 and its impact can destabilise any of us. It's important to remember that you are not powerless when it comes to caring for your mental health and wellbeing.

The following are a list of evidence-based recommendations, adapted from an article by Kristine Kafer, that can add to your usual ways of coping and looking after your physical and mental well-being.

### Stay informed but not fixated

There is a possibility that we can become overwhelmed by the media bombardment we are all experiencing about this pandemic. We can be

vicariously traumatised, by the media reports. We need to keep abreast about COVID-19 but it must come a reliable and trusted source such as World Health Organisation [www.who.int](http://www.who.int) or the Federal or State departments of Health or the ABC.

Remember that there are so many other things in your life to focus on. Sometimes we need to bring our thoughts back to the basic things in life. The following activity, developed by the Mayo Clinic is an excellent example of using your senses to think of other things.

### 5-4-3-2-1 Technique

Using the 5-4-3-2-1 technique, you will purposefully take in the details of your surroundings using each of your senses. Strive to notice small details that your mind would usually tune out, such as distant sounds, or the texture of an ordinary object.

*What are 5 things you can see?* Look for small details such as a pattern on the ceiling, the way light reflects off a surface, or an object you never noticed.

*What are 4 things you can feel?* Notice the sensation of clothing on your body, the sun on your skin, or the feeling of the chair you are sitting in. Pick up an object and examine its weight, texture, and other physical qualities.

*What are 3 things you can hear?* Pay special attention to the sounds your mind has tuned out, such as a ticking clock, distant traffic, or trees blowing in the wind.

*What are 2 things you can smell?* Try to notice smells in the air around you, like an air freshener or freshly mowed grass. You may also look around for something that has a scent, such as a flower or an unlit candle.

*What is 1 thing you can taste?* Carry gum, candy, or small snacks for this step. Pop one in your mouth and focus your attention closely on the flavors.

This exercise helps you shift your focus to experiences in the present moment and away from what

is causing you to feel anxious. It can help interpret unhealthy thought patterns. I have used this activity with shooters who are having trouble staying in the here and now. This exercise couple with simple breathing exercises can keep you grounded in the present.

### **Practise Gratitude**

According to Kafer, "Practice Gratitude" is a state of mind that arises when you affirm a good thing in your life. It isn't just an emotion that happens, but something we can cultivate. Gratitude begins by paying attention and listing the good things that you normally take for granted.

*Slowing down and appreciate some simple things* around you – the warmth from a cup of tea, the feeling of a breeze or a wonderful song.

*Writing a note to someone in your life* who has done something helpful or special.

*Connecting with nature* – Feel the warmth of the sun on your face and be thankful for the fresh air, tiny creatures.

Again, all these activities keep you in the here and now; they are mindfulness activities

### **Staying Rational**

Kristine Kafer offers the following advice on staying rational during the COVID-19 pandemic.

This is an unprecedented world crisis, and anxiety is a normal response, it is important not to intensify your response by engaging in irrational thinking. When we catastrophise, the importance of a problem is exaggerated, the worst possible outcome is assumed to be true and our ability to cope is minimised. Keep reminding yourself of the facts, for example:

- 80% of infections are mild or asymptomatic.
- The expertise of the whole world is focusing on the management of this condition.
- The timing of the outbreak in Australia means we can learn from the experiences of other countries.
- The Australian Government is being advised by the World Health Organisation and is enacting a response plan.
- Australia has a well-functioning health system and good communication systems in place.
- This is unprecedented but the Government and medical authorities have been planning for this after the outbreak of SARS in 2003.

Life will be disrupted for a while, but this will pass.

We are all in this together.

### **Stay socially connected**

Even though we need to maintain physical distancing we should still stay socially connected by maintaining your social networks or making sure you email, write or talk to those in your social network.

Don't allow all your conversations to be about the virus or the shortage of toilet paper! Other topics of conversation could include shows you have been watching or books you have been reading, reminiscing about past shared experiences, and things you're grateful for or have found small moments of pleasure from. Share funny things that are happening or you have heard or seen.

Even though I give this advise, I am not on any social media, so I am aware that I need to stay in touch in other ways: emails, phone calls, text messages, etc.

### **Keep moving and doing: stay active**

Develop a new "normal" routine which includes physical activity, connecting with others, achievable daily goals and finding pleasure in everyday experiences. For a shooter, doing some weights, resistance training, practise mounting and remounting your gun. If possible, walk wherever you can and try to structure opportunities for physical activity into your new daily routine. Don't become more sedentary if you are working from home or in self-isolation. Moving more could include standing up and stretching or performing lunges during ad breaks while watching TV. Yoga and tai chi are excellent ways to stay flexible and fit. They are easy to do and do not cost a cent. Exercise can protect against poor mental health and improve the mental health of people living with mental illness. Make sure you always work within your physical limits but maybe try something new.

### **Study**

With this enforced closed shooting season this is the time to do some valuable study. There are literally thousands of YouTube videos about shooting: technique and performance. Learn and practice relaxation skills and hone up on mental skills such as goal setting, visualisation, mental

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# Psychological Skills for Shooting

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imagery and concentration. If you are not sure where to start read Tim Gallwey's "The Inner Game of Golf". This is one of the best and easy to read sport psychology books. You can progress to the "The Inner Game of Tennis" which focuses on concentration. These activities together with exercise, staying rational, connected and informed will support your mental health through these uncertain times. We will get through this.

## Have Fun and Keep Laughing

Look for funny things. Read and watch things that will make you laugh and move your mind to more pleasant things. Go and revisit your favourite comedian or comedy series.

## Stay Calm

It is normal to feel anxious. Relaxation is the antidote for anxiety. The Relaxation Response, developed by Herbert Benson is a simple and effective techniques. Other techniques can be found at:

- <https://www.beyondblue.org.au/get-support/staying-well/relaxation-exercises>

- <https://www.blackdoginstitute.org.au/docs/default-source/factsheets/relaxationtechniques.pdf?sfvrsn=4>
- <https://www.smilingmind.com.au/>

Remember you probably already have a number of very efficient coping strategies that you have drawn on in the past, make sure you use them now as well.

Stay safe and well, so we can all get back to shooting as soon as possible.

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# Break Badges

NAME	HOME CLUB	ACHIEVE	BREAK
Anderson,K	International	SA Skt Carnival	Skt 20g 50
Bradtke,B	Port Augusta	Port Augusta	Trap 50
Brooke,B	Tumut	Tumut	Cont 50
Bull,T	Yamba	Yamba	Trap 50
Cumberland,A	Majura Park	Canberaa	Trap 100
Densley,J	Kingston	SA Skt Carnival	Skt 50,75
Ferteklis,N	Darwin	Darwin	Trap 50 @ 25m
Fleming,R	Goulburn	Tumut	Cont 75
Freeman,J	Canberra	Canberra	Trap 100
Gammaldi,A	Wonthaggi	International	International
Gardiner,Z	Korumburra	Bairnsdale	Trap 75, 100
Gorman,K	Grenfell	Cowra	Trap 50,75
Hann,G	Echuca	Echuca	Trap 50,75, 100,150

NAME	HOME CLUB	ACHIEVE	BREAK
Higgins,L	Southern	Wilkawatt	Cont 75, 25 Metre Badge
Hone,A	Guyra	Inverell	Trap 100
Howard,M	Callide-Dawson	Rockhampton	Trap 100, SB 50
Johnson,W	Clermont	Rockhampton	SB 50
McRae,N	Guyra	Guyra	Trap 300
Micallef,B	Charters Towers	Burdekin	Trap 250
Nothdurft,S	Goondiwindi	Goondiwindi	Trap 100
Populin,M	Burdekin	Burdekin	Trap 250
Russell,A	Kurrumburra	Bairnsdale	Trap 75
Sacchetta,J	Frankston	WACTA Skt CS	Skt 50,75, 100,150, 200
Schonenberg,B	Burdekin	Burdekin	Trap 50
Simpson,B	Mackay Sarina	Port Denison	Trap 50
Sims,B	Monarto	Mallala	Trap 100

# Sebastopol Shoots for First Time in 3 Years

Over the Labour Day long weekend in March at the Beaufort Gun Club, Sebastopol Gun Club held its first shoot in three years since the closure of their ground.

Twenty-nine shooters contested the two events from several clubs including Sebastopol, Ararat, Beaufort, Mt. Isa, Werribee and Kyneton, which included a twenty-target double barrel eye opener and a sixty-target medley event. The twenty target eye opener gave a chance for members to blow the cobwebs out with four possibles being shot by Adam Scott, Greg Powell, Michael Heritage and John Soufis.

The sixty-target medley event shot in windy conditions was won by Bill Harris, Overall and A grade with a score of 98/100. AA grade went to Adam Scott with a score of 95/100, B grade Greg Powell 93/100, C grade Peter Keirl 114/125 and Ladies Stephanie Soufis 77/100.

The day gave members the chance to catch up with one another and shot some practice on the ball trap prior to the completion of the day.

The Sebastopol Gun Club would like to thank the Beaufort Gun Club Committee for their support in allowing the use of their ground and we look forward to our next shoot in August at Beaufort Gun Club.



Bill Harris O/A winner with Trevor Tresize, President SGC



Sash winners L-R: Stephanie Soufis (Ladies), Adam Scott (AA), Bill Harris (O/A & A), Greg Powell (B), Peter Keirl (C)

# Toowoomba Annual Trap Carnival

After many months of preparation, the Toowoomba Annual Trap Carnival got off to a great start on with the Friday night South East Zone Double Barrel event. With rainy weather, there were concerns that the shoot might be washed out. Indeed, there was a sharp shower on Friday afternoon and rain started again during the final shoot off, but only 7 of us got slightly wet. Heavy rain fell on Monday after the shoot and so the Committee was very relieved that we had beautiful weather on the Saturday and fine, although very windy weather on Sunday.



Jill Moore SEZ QCTA Night Double Barrel & Overall High Gun



Handicap winner Peter Freeleagus with Phil Keller and Ronnie Forsythe

Right: The late Geoff Bryant



The major attraction for the shoot was the 50 target, Geoff Bryant Memorial Handicap. In addition, we had the Friday SEZ QCTA Night Double Shoot, the Kotzur Cup Inter-club shoot and finally the High Gun Handicap shoot off for the Fias Cesa Shotgun. Friday got off to a great start with 68 shooters

competing in the SEZ Night Double Barrel shoot. We thank Master Hire for providing us with 3 sets of flood lights for the event.

Jill Moore emerged the winner with a score of 42/42, after a shoot off with the five shooters who shot the possible. Jill was ecstatic with this being her first Overall win. Jill who currently is a Surat club member was a fitting winner, as she started her shooting journey as a Junior in Toowoomba while attending high school here.

More shooters arrived Saturday and by the time the Geoff Bryant Memorial shoot began, 137 shooters had registered. Toowoomba was very pleased with this result considering the area had been ravaged by one of the worst droughts ever in 2019.

The first event was the 30 Target Medley. With near perfect conditions, 11 shooters shot the possible. After a long shoot off, Bill Pavey emerged the winner on 125/125.



Overall Medley winner Bill Pavy

Event 2 was the Geoff Bryant Memorial Handicap. Geoff who sadly passed away in 2018, after an unexpected stroke at the Toowoomba Club that year, has been sadly missed. Both he and Ronnie Forsythe, although Roma Members, had a long history of lending a hand at the Toowoomba Club. In particular, I fondly remember

working with them in constructing the fourth skeet layout in preparation for the 2016 State Skeet shoot in Toowoomba.

With 150 mm of rain falling during that shoot, the new layout became fondly remembered as the "Pig Pen". In 2019, a Memorial seat was built on the layout and was dedicated to Geoff with a "21 gun salute".

Peter Freeleagus emerged the Geoff Bryant Handicap winner with the only 50/50. Having achieved this from 25 metres, he was a very happy man. Another 3 shooters shoot 49/50, including Clayton Cusack, also shooting off 25 metres, Steve Steenstrup off 23 metres and Pascale Stiller off 20 metres.

At the end of the shoot off, Clayton emerged second, Pascale third, and Steve fourth. Unfortunately, by now the Carnival was behind schedule and it was decided to leave the Double Barrel event until Sunday with an early start.

Everyone got themselves organised and with the pressure on and windy weather, we managed to get through the whole program on Sunday with just a reduction in the events from 30 to 25 targets and a reduction in the Double Rise from 25 to 15 pairs.

In the Double Barrel, despite strong winds, 12 shooters shot the possible. After a shoot off, Dan Pointon, an A Grade shooter, on 69/69 took out the possible from George Costanza (AA), on 68/69. The next event was the 25 target Points Score.

With strong winds, only Ben Rumble shot the possible. Ten shooters shot 74/75 and Keith Simpson on 101/102 emerged the winner taking out AA.

Single Barrel was the next event and 5 shooters shot the possible. Greg Matthews took out Overall on 34/34 with Fernando Cilli taking out AA on 33/34.

Event 6 was the Double Rise. Amazingly, despite the strong wind, three shooters shot 29/30. Richard Morrison defeated Ben Rumble and Patrick Saunders to take out the Overall on 38/40.

It was now found that Bill Pavy and Ben Rumble were tied for Overall High Gun. Bill Pavy emerged the winner of the shoot off with a total score of 256/267. Well shot Bill.

With drizzly rain starting it was now time for the Flash Target High Gun shoot off. In this event, the Overall and Graded High Guns shot off for the final prize, a Fias Cesa over and under shotgun. Phil Keller sponsored this event with the intention that all shooters who shot well for their ability, had an opportunity to win the major prize. This prize was in addition to their High Gun prize. Seamus Filan (B Grade), shot 23/25 in the rain to win from Bill Pavy (Overall High Gun), Ben Rumble (AA High Gun), Pascale Stiller (A Grade High Gun),



Overall Double Barrel winner Dan Pointon



Overall Points Score winner Ben Rumble

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# Toowoomba Annual Trap Carnival

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Phil Keller congratulates High Gun Shoot Off and Shotgun winner Seamus Filan



Above: Overall High Gun  
Bill Pavy  
Below: A Grade High Gun  
Pascale Stiller



Above: AA High Gun  
Ben Rumbel  
Below: B Grade High Gun  
Seamus Filan



Kotzur Cup Winning Team, Toowoomba. L-R: Keith Simpson 74/75, Steve Steenstrupp 69/75, Wayne Nagle (CFO Kotzur), Bill Pavy 73/75, Robbie Smith 73/75 and Pascale Stiller 72/75 for a total of 361/375



C Grade High Gun Robert Searles



Veteran High Gun Keith Simpson



Phil Keller with Lady's High Gun Erin Guy

and Robert Searles (C Grade High Gun).

Keith Simpson took out the Veteran High Gun, Erin Guy the Lady High Gun and Ben Chambers the Junior.

In the new event, the Kotzur Cup, the home team, Toowoomba, was the easy winner with 361/375 followed by Roma Club in second position with 344/375.

Shooters from many Clubs attended the shoot. A fitting tribute to Geoff Bryant who certainly would have been proud to see so many shooters compete in the Handicap event named in his honor.

We hope all who attended had a great time and we look forward to seeing you all again next year.

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# ACTA Coaching Meeting – State Co-ordinators and Directors



**Coaching can be defined as “a development process whereby individuals meet on a regular basis to clarify or re-set goals, deal with, overcome or solve potential problems, and improve competitor’s performance”.**

Just a couple of months ago, it was decided by the National Executive, after discussions with Shooting Australia, that a change of direction was needed for the way in which our Association take on the responsibility of teaching/training and coaching our competitors at all skill levels, from entry in this sport, through to Elite Athlete.

Under the direction of our Sport Enhancement Committee Chair – Garry Read, on Thursday March 19, a group of people came together to achieve a goal. Coaching Co-Ordinators and Directors from nearly every State were tasked with structuring a new platform for, and developing a systematical and methodical framework of coaching from which we all work, to ensure that we are all trained in the same way throughout the country and to administer those trainings and assist with personal development for anyone wishing to move forward.

The fundamental issue was to oversee what we needed, to evaluate how we separate the various levels of our Coaches – from Level 1 (Club Coach), Level 2 (Competition Coach), and

Level 3 (Advanced Coach). Also, who has the training at each of those levels to (a) facilitate a training for each level, and more importantly, (b) who has the competency to be able to assess and accredit each of these levels throughout the States.

Each level will remain highly diversified. While the training still remains based on the requirements of individual Clubs and our Association, we will still ensure that there is a consistent approach to training, and, also coaching through transition into the next stage for those that wish to become more advanced and move to a higher level of education in our sport.

There was much discussion amongst the group to endeavor to get a grasp of what is currently being done in each State. In these turbulent and challenging times ahead, helping individuals and teams to effectively navigate and manage through these changes is critical.

Our National President and CEO were also present and keen to assist in allowing us to

move key strategic initiatives forward in a much more comprehensive and effective manner. Some of these may include the reintroduction of Coaching cards or Record cards as evidence of ongoing coaching and trainings which may assist in the reaccreditation of our Coaches and may also act as RPL's (recognised prior learnings) if someone is wishing to move up to a higher level.

Accreditation period will remain unchanged at 4 years and Coaches will still need to address the usual mandatory State Police checks and WWC (working with children) checks before being accredited, where they will be issued with an ID number and ACTA Coaching Card.

Our new platform will include a "Coaching Corner" in our monthly CT magazine which can include articles and editorials on any changes within the area of coaching to keep our members updated. This area can also be used to profile an existing coach and/or work that has been done around the Country, and to welcome new Coaches as they achieve their accreditations or perhaps upskill themselves to a higher level.

On a final note, our former Junior Academy will be revised and become the National Junior

Development Camp. Here, our selected juniors will undertake an intensive training over 3 days, in the discipline of their choice being DTL, Skeet, ISSF and Sporting. These trainings will assist in identifying talent which could lead to our future Australian representatives. Juniors could be selected from both State and National level Carnivals. A National selection criterion will be established and published and will include nominations from our newly formed ACTA National Coaching Board, (Chaired by Dave Coleman and with Debbie Young as Secretary).

It is expected that these changes will possibly take a few months to integrate and implement into our existing system. In any case, we are building the foundation to start achieving tangible results as soon as possible. With the daily changes that are going on in our world as we used to know it, it is a timely reminder to all our members to be vigilant and diligent in appraising every situation and making responsible decisions so that we can get through these months ahead with maybe just a few scars rather than a tragic end.

Thank you also to ACTA for the opportunity to be involved with the development of these new core strategies.

*Len DeCandia  
South Australian Coaching Director*



*L-R: NSW – Kim Nealon, SA – Garry Read (Chair) & Len De Candia, QLD – Debbie Young, WA – Christine Alexander, VIC – Gary Hayden, NSW – David Coleman & ACTA CEO Paul Gilbert*



# The History of the Bendigo Clay Target Club

The history of Gun/Clay Target Clubs in Australia in most cases is well documented via individual club records or through searches on the internet, libraries or local heritage groups. With clubs that were formed during the second half of the 19th century it is much more difficult to establish their actual beginnings.

We know that trapshooting was in existence in the United Kingdom as early as 1750 and we know that by 1800 the sport was well established with a number of clubs active. The sport of trapshooting evolved as live bird clubs and it was some time before inanimate birds were used to use the term originally given.

With the settlement of Australia as a penal colony it is hard to imagine the use of firearms was encouraged as a sport other than on some of the large pastoral holdings of the time. With the discovery of gold in 1851 the population of Australia mushroomed and with it people looked to leisure time and sporting pursuits. To the fore were horse racing, athletics and shooting competitions as well as hunting. The owners of our large pastoral properties also imported firearms for hunting, self-protection from various sources and local competitions. Formed clubs began to appear with regular competitions for members, and very often for members of the public.

Tracing your particular clubs beginnings back to this period can at times be difficult and frustrating due to the lack of club records or newspaper reports of the time. As the size of settlements/towns increased any shooting clubs in existence were often forced to relocate further and further outside the populated areas or to actually close.

In researching the history of the Bendigo Clay Target Club we have been hampered by name changes both to our City and to our Club. The City was originally named Bendigo and in 1850 but in 1853 it was changed to Sandhurst. In 1891 it was changed back to Bendigo. When Darren Pearce was secretary of our club he enthusiastically began to trace our history and immediately found that during the gold rush and in the years to follow Bendigo had an incredible number of newspapers as a result of the gold rush. To name a few Bendigo

Mercury, Bendigo Bulletin, Bendigo Evening Mail, Bendigonian, Eaglehawk Leader and Eaglehawk Standard. To further add to our problem apparently there was agreement between papers for each to report exclusively on particular individual sports. The only paper commenced around 1850 and still in existence is the Bendigo Advertiser. When Darren left Bendigo with his employment I have spasmodically continued to try and find further relevant information.

The earliest advertisement to appear in the Bendigo Advertiser was on the 20th December 1855 for a shoot to be held on New Year's Day at Lockwood some 14 kilometers south of Bendigo. The advertisement read:

**“Pigeon Shooting  
Grand Shooting Match at Pigeons.  
On  
New Years Day.  
Charles George Dose,  
Of  
The Prince of Wales Hotel Lockwood.  
Begs to inform the Sporting Gentlemen of  
Sandhurst, and the country around Lockwood  
that he intends having a Grand Shooting  
Match at Pigeons when a great number of  
prizes will be offered for competition, of which  
the following are few,-  
Splendid gold guard chain.  
First-class silver hunting watch.  
Handsome silver snuff-box.  
Superior gold nugget ring.  
Also, several sweepstakes from 5s to £5.  
N.B. C.G. Dose has made arrangements for  
the supply of between two and three hundred  
pigeons, for which only 6s per couple will be  
charged.  
Shooting to commence at 11 o'clock a.m.”**

He ran a further advertisement which read:

**“Great Pigeon Shoot.  
Prince of Wales Hotel, Lockwood.  
A four-Horse Coach will leave the  
Bendigo Horse Bazaar at 9 o’clock, am,  
sharp on 1st January,  
6s, each way.”**

Unfortunately we can find no results of this shoot.

Another early advertisement in the Bendigo Advertiser read:

**“19/01/1856 .....”To Sportsmen.  
Parties who are fond of a good day’s shooting  
are informed that they can spend a day very  
pleasantly at the Sandy Creek retreat, three  
and a half miles from the Epsom, on the  
Campaspei (sic) rd.”**

At this stage our first advertised shoot in Bendigo was held on the 11th April 1856 at the rear of the Silver Mines Hotel, Long Gully. The entrance fee was 2 pound with 5 pound being the prize. Long Gully now is virtually classified central Bendigo. Despite the number of papers in Bendigo in existence at the time, finding actual listings has proven to be difficult.

Apparently this shoot was successful and a further shoot was organised for the 25th April with similar prizes.

It is worth mentioning at this time Bendigo had two specialist shops supplying firearms and accessories. H & G Holmes were in McCrae Street and William’s & Sons were in Mundy Street.

The following report appeared in the Bendigo Advertiser dated the 2nd October 1879.

*“Pigeon Match – The members of the Bendigo Gun Club had another pleasant day’s outing yesterday at Epsom. There was a good attendance of members, and the spirit was excellent. A sweepstake was arranged and shot, the conditions being 7 birds each; Mr. H. Trumble winning with a score of twelve points; Mr. R. Bruce second with nine points. Messrs. Wright and Bruce tied for second money, but Mr. Bruce was the victor in the final contest.. Mr. C. Edwards scored eight points. A match was arranged on the ground for next Wednesday afternoon. The match is exciting a good deal of interest, and will be closely contested.”*

Even back in the 1800’s some things were similar to what some current clubs experience. The following letter appeared in the Bendigo Advertiser dated 22nd March 1884.

*“SANDHURST GUN CLUB. (To the Editor of the Advertiser.)*

*Sir, – The question is now frequently asked if the above club is still in existence. It is now over three months since its members have been called together. If the hon. Secretary has not the time at his disposal to attend to club matters, I think the club committee should see that their secretary should carry out their rules in their entirety, which provide for a meeting once a month. There are several enthusiastic members connected with the club who would fill the office with credit. There are several members who are now thinking of retiring at the end of the financial year if the present apathy continues. Your, etc., PIGEON.”*

On the 28th August 1886 a special meeting was called to form the Eaglehawk Gun Club. At this meeting it was reported *“that a first class shooting ground had been granted by Mr Ingham, of the Old House at Home, Sydney Flat, which would be within easy distance of Raywood, Sebastian, and Eaglehawk.”* The club was duly formed. This is hard to believe in that the shooting ground is not 500 meters from the current ground of the Bendigo Clay Target Club. The locality mentioned being Sydney Flat went through a name change to Woodvale in 1920. The Old House at Home still stands albeit a private residence.

Also in 1886 a darker side to a competition being held by the Sandhurst Gun Club at the Sydenham Gardens ground took place. *The usually quiet hamlet of White Hills was thrown into a state of considerable excitement yesterday when it became known that Constable Ryan, of the White Hills police station, had been missing since Wednesday evening last. From inquiries made by our representative, it appears that Mr Ryan visited the Sydenham Gardens on Wednesday afternoon, when the Sandhurst Gun Club held a pigeon shooting match. Towards evening he had several drinks. He returned home about seven o’clock, and had tea and a short sleep. He then left home to visit the Chinese Camp and has not been heard of since.*

We move forward to the 29th June 1892 and we were privileged to have the great Donald Mackintosh compete at our club. As reported in the Bendigo Advertiser.

*“BENDIGO, TUESDAY.*

*A hard frost has set in, fine weather for the races tomorrow seems assured.*

*A shooting match for prizes valued at 100 pound took place to-day under the auspices of the Bendigo*

*Gun Club. Five tied with 18 birds each, viz: A. Webb, Malvern, with two nominations: D. Mackintosh, Rockbank; C. Stockdale, Darraweit Guim; and Gordon (assumed name), of Maldon. They divided the prizes. A sweepstake was shot off, the following taking the prizes:- F. Tucker, Ballarat ; P. Stockdale, Darraweit Guim ; and T. Gunn, Kangaroo Flat."*

On the 10th January 1902 the following report appeared in the press, again the Bendigo Advertiser.

*"THE GUN*

*The first half-yearly meeting of the Bendigo Gun Club was held on Tuesday evening when it was shown that the finances of the club were in a flourishing state. After liquidating all preliminary expenses and outstanding accounts, besides purchasing traps and other paraphernalia, as well as trophies competed for by members, there was in the bank a credit balance of 52 pound 10 shillings. It is many years since a gun club at Bendigo has been placed on such a sound footing."*

Moving forward to Monday the 26th January 1925 a significant shoot took place. It was the earliest Australia Day shoot held at club that we have been able to authenticate. When this shoot took place it was as the Foundation Day shoot as Australia Day

was not proclaimed until 1935. It featured a 100 pound Galah Match and was conducted under the rules of the Gun Clubs Association.

Between October 1934 and June 1935, Victoria celebrated the centenary of Melbourne and Victoria. On the 23rd November Bendigo Gun Club joined the celebrations conducting a Centenary pigeon shoot at their Epsom grounds. The winner was "Tongala" (T. Power) who shot 18 straight with 15 first barrels.

It is not known for certain how many separate clubs have existed in Bendigo over the years. Clubs that we know have existed are the Bendigo Gun Club, Huntly Gun Club, Myers Flat Gun Club, Eaglehawk Gun Club, Holdsworth Road Fusiliers Gun Club and the Sandhurst Gun Club. Shooting grounds that we know have existed are at Epsom (2 locations), Myers Flat, Woodvale (2 locations), Sydenham Gardens (White Hills) and Back Creek Cricket Ground (Kennington).

An interesting event occurred on the 8th March 1939 as reported in the Sporting Globe.

*"Shooting at skeets at Myers Flat, Bill Santon, Secretary of the Bendigo Club won the Loddon Valley and club titles. At skeet shooting Santon shot 45 out of 56, B. Oakley 42 and J. H. Tubb 38."*



*Holdsworth Road Fusiliers Gun Club*



*Charley Ashman shooting at the Myers Flat Gun Club*

Like many sporting clubs with the advent of World War II the Bendigo Gun Club went into recess holding possibly their last shoot on the 14th December 1940. The club resumed their shoots on the 13th July 1946. This saw the Bendigo Gun Club and Myers Flat Gun Club both then in operation.

On the 7th May 1947, The Sporting Globe reported that *"Bill Santon, who recently resigned from the secretaryship of the Bendigo Club to take over a similar position with the Myers Flat club, is to be congratulated on the success of the meeting held last Thursday"*.

What we do know is that the Myers Flat Gun Club affiliated with Australian Clay Target Pigeon Shooting Association in 1948 with W A Santon as Secretary. In 1950 this club again conducted the Loddon Valley District Skeet Championship and on the 7th October 1953 conducted its first night shoot. A report on the first night shoot stated, *"Myers Flat Club's first night shoot with 36 shooters and a big gallery of spectators. The grounds were brilliantly floodlit and the white clay pigeons could be seen better than in natural daylight"*.

It is interesting to note that at the beginning of 1956, the club registered with the Australian

Clay Pigeon Shooting Association as Eaglehawk Gun Club, but midway returned to using the name Myers Flat Gun Club. This club conducted its last recorded shoot on the 20th June 1956. At times the club was also known as the Myers Flat Shooters Club.

The Bendigo Gun Club affiliated with the ACPTSA on the 22nd May 1948 with W J Jeffery as its Secretary. In 1949 this club also shot skeet, conducting the 1949 Midland District Victorian Skeet title.

There is a story from 1952 that is quite humorous involving Charley Ashman, who was a prominent member of Myers Flat Gun Club. Charlie was a great mate of Champion shot, Jack McCraith (also known as the Rabbit King). Both men hunted together and naturally shot trap together. They decided to travel to New Zealand for that country's last live bird shoot and they put together a scheme that as no one in NZ knew them, Charlie would become Jack and Jack, Charley. Jack in reality shot from the back mark and Charley from the front so their belief was that Jack could not miss from the front. They bet everything they had on "Charley", but things often do not go as planned. Jack could not hit a



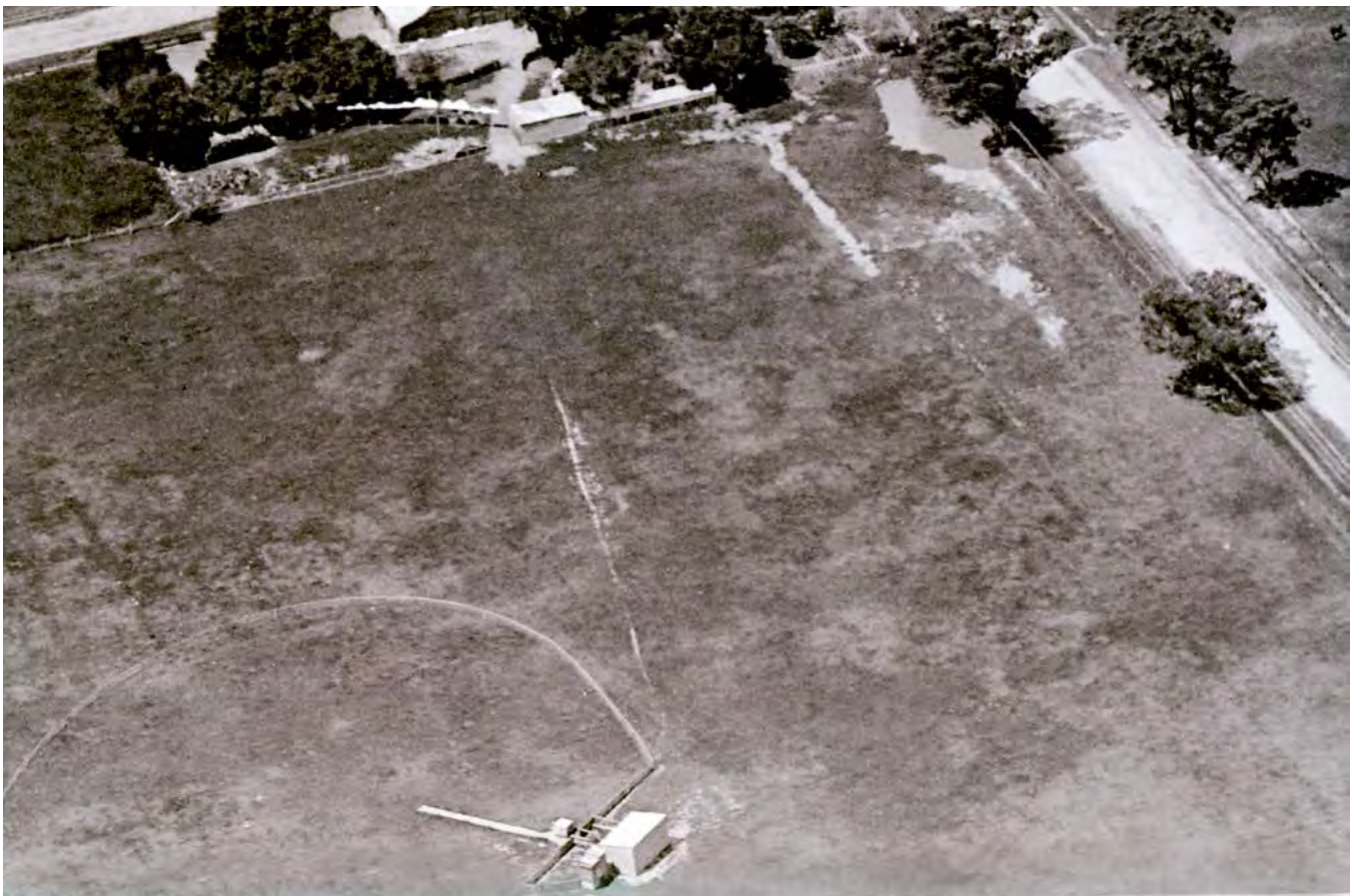
*Charley Ashman & Jack McGraith*

thing from the front, but Charley didn't miss from the back, but unfortunately for them they had bet everything on Jack. Apparently they assumed their real identities before they returned to Australia and Jack was able to recoup their losses.

In April 1958 with the advent of live bird shooting being banned in Victoria these 2 clubs amalgamated to become the Huntley Gun Club and continued to shoot on the Bendigo Gun



*Patch of the Huntley Gun Club logo*



*Epsom live bird ring*

Clubs Epsom ground. The inaugural President was Reuben Hartley and the Secretary, Jack Jones. The club conducted its first official shoot on the 5th July with some 25 shooters taking part. At this time the club affiliated with the Australian Clay Target Association which had changed its name from the Australian Clay Pigeon Shooting Association.

The club continued to shoot at their Epsom ground beside the Bendigo Pottery until 1971 when the move was made to our current grounds at Woodvale. The Epsom site is still vacant with the concrete bunkers still existing. Up until about 4 year ago this site was annually cropped by club member Tony Moroni but with the unfortunate passing of Tony this ceased and the property is now currently for sale. The ground was also known as "Ropers Paddock".

The move to Woodvale commenced in 1969 with the purchase of 8 acres of land from Thomas Hughes at \$40 an acre. Since that time the club has continued to secure its future with the purchase of a further 45 acres so that the club now currently owns some 53 acres or 21.5 hectares. The club facilities now include 5 DTL layouts, 2 skeet grounds, 1 tower, 2 Ball Trap and can, when required, set up 4 Sporting grounds. The club owns a 20m mobile Snorkel which can be utilised as a 2nd tower.

The Woodvale ground was officially opened on the 2nd October 1971 with 82 shooters attending. When the Official Opening took place, the club boasted 3 trap layouts. Since then the club has upgraded facilities when possible with the latest

**Bendigo Clay Target Club**  
 (Victoria)  
 (Affiliated A.C.T.A.)  
 Two Electric Traps under Lights  
**Saturday, October 2—1 p.m. start**  
**New grounds at Woodvale**  
 (Raywood Road, through Eaglehawk)  
**OPENING SHOOT**

Event 1	<b>5 Target Eye-Opener (Points)</b>	Nom. 50c
	HANDICAP MARKS — C/D	
Event 2	<b>\$100.00 HANDICAP</b>	Nom. \$5.00
	20 TARGETS — HANDICAP MARKS	
	Op. Sweeps 50c each 10 targets.	
Event 3	<b>BENDIGO CLUB OPENING DAY</b>	Nom. \$4.00
	<b>DB CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	
	20 TARGETS FROM 16 YARDS	
	Op. Sweeps 50c each 10 targets.	
	1st, Sash and Trophy; 2nd, 3rd and F/M	
	Trophies — Value \$60.00.	
	Further Events Time Permitting.	
	Afternoon Tea and Cartridges Available.	
	Kiddies Playground	

Hon. Secretary,  
 BRUCE SANTON,  
 385 Hargreaves Street,

*Advertising our Opening Day at Woodvale*

project being the erection of a large storage shed. The club holds competition shoots twice a month with practice (Dad's Army) each Tuesday afternoon. The development of our sport since 1855 would be beyond the belief of our first competitors. The advent of hopper fed traps holding over 500 targets, the introduction of the electronic voice release system, rear entry traphouses and the shooting of breaks in excess of 1000 were believed



*Opening of the current Woodvale Range*

unrealistic even 50 year ago. Shotguns and shotshells have also gone through exceptional development.

Where to in the future? With continued anti firearm sentiment within the broader community fuelled by a very vocal minority, we will no doubt from time to time be put to a test to keep not only our sport, but our firearms.

*The photographs on this spread show the Bendigo Woodvale range as it is today. You can only imagine the difference from its first shoot in 1856?*

*Background photograph shows – 5 DTL layouts, 2 Skeet, 2 Balltrap, Tower and ample land for 4 Sporting layouts.*

1. Bottom 3 DTL layouts
2. Club memorabilia
3. Second Ball Trap layout
4. Rear lifting DTL traphouse with new Promatic Signature trap installed
5. Club entrance with security fencing
6. Two new Promatic sporting traps on trailers
7. Four wheel drive snorkel used for sporting events
8. Club house
9. Our Brand new storage shed
10. Five stand sporting squad in action

## EDITORS NOTE

This is an excellent history of possibly our oldest shooting club. At this time, while we are unable to conduct shooting events, it would be great if other clubs could put together stories of their club's history.

We would be very pleased to publish any articles made available.





# Monarto Celebrates 38th Anniversary

14th & 15th March 2020

On the evening prior to the first day of our 38th Anniversary shoot we received notification from the ACTA that this year's National Championships in Wagga Wagga were to be postponed. I can't deny the fact that there were those amongst us who were bitterly disappointed but we hoped to make up for that over the weekend.

Seventy-four individual shooters from four different States, Victoria, Western Australia, the Northern Territory and our own home State of South Australia, competed for the five Championships, two Memorial trophies and one Team trophy on offer over the two-day competition. This number included twenty-three Veterans, six Ladies and six Juniors; the balance being made up of those in the Open category.



Club President John Bretag and Lachlan Koch, HG winner

After a relatively mild week, with a High firmly planted in the Great Australian Bight, cooler weather was being swept up over South Australia, and the wind with it did not hamper the competitors too much with many good scores still posted.



High Gun winners

Event 1: Greg 'Cockles' Kessegian, AA grade, of Mount Gambier took out the 25 target Double Barrel Championship with his 25/25, second place went to Rob Clark shooting 42/43. Allan Vilcins won A grade on 51/52 over Gerald Hopgood's 50/52. Rodney Hammat having posted a score of 24/25 won B grade with Baden Lloyd taking second place on 22/25, and C grade was won by Michael Rudd on 23/25 over Di Loughhead on 24/26.

Event 2: Gavin Height, AA grade, of Kalangadoo took out the 25 target Single Barrel Championship with his score of 32/33 after a brief shoot-off with Molly Bretag who took second place on her 31/33. A grade was won by Rick Zupanic shooting a 26/29 over Gerald Hopgood on 25/29. Baden Lloyd won B grade with his score of 22/25 over Anna Evgeniou who shot a 22/27. Darren Nicholas took out C grade by shooting a 22/25 over Peter Dunn on 19/25.

Event 3, the last event for Day 1, was a 25 target Anniversary Handicap and this was won by Allan Vilcins shooting a 30/30 from his 19-metre mark. Spectators grew while watching the shoot off for second and third places between Wessam Daou (21m) and Darren Nicholas (15m). Second place finally went to Wessam who shot a 48/49 over Darren's 47/49 and he took out third place. Fourth placing went to Molly Bretag (22m) with her score of 26/28 and the final placing went to Ray Leake who shot 25/28 (18m).

Presentation time followed and then while the roast tea was being finalised by guest chefs, Rob and Liz Frahn, the entertainment guys started warming up their strings, and their voices. Yes, a rendition of the Seekers song "I am Australian", strummed on the guitars of Gerald Hopgood and Grant Carter, in fine voice, and the skin-tling sounds of Des Neale's (all the way from Esperance, WA) playing on the didgeridoo, had 'goose-bumps' covering my arms.

A full roast of beef lamb and vegetables, followed by dessert, saw around 35+ stay on for the evening meal and then it was time to settle back, the fire now lit in the Clubhouse heater as the chill had definitely set in, and for the next hour we enjoy the talents of our fellow shooters, their playing and singing where many of us joined in, with Club President John joining in the chorus of American Pie. Great fun and lots of laughter.

Sunday dawned with a clear blue sky and a



Gavin Height, Mixed Target Champion

welcome calm, though a wind did pick up mid-afternoon.

Campers on the grounds enjoyed a breakfast in the clubhouse, bacon, eggs and toast, cooked up by our own Barry Sims; and a much-needed coffee for some of us.

Event 4: The 30 Mixed Target Championship shot in conjunction with the Clem Thomas

Memorial saw Gavin Height, AA grade, take out his second Championship sash for the weekend. He shot the perfect score of 50/50. Second place in AA grade went to veteran shooter Robert

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Lachlan Koch, PS Champion, received the Graham Michell Memorial Trophy from Ruth Michell

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(Cookie) Cook after a shoot-off, his final score being 73/75. As a number of shooters shot the same scores each grade then had their own shoot-offs to get results. A grade shooters Vince Petraccaro and Allan Vilcins had a gallery of followers as they battled for first and second places. Vince won out posting a score of 96/100 over Allan on 95/100. B grader Bruno Quinzi finally took first place shooting a 73/75 after Anna Evgeniou had a horror round in the shoot-off, her score ending up as 61/75. Last grade to finalise their placings was the C grade shooters. Luigi Ciaramellano and Darren Nicholas final scores saw Luigi take it out on 69/75 over Darren on 66/75. Gavin Height was presented with a special trophy in memory of Clem Thomas.

Event 5: Nothing like a 50 target Points Score Championship, at the end of a weekend's competition, according to an old saying, "to sort the men out from the boys". Well this one certainly did that, and there were smiles all round when seventeen-year-old AA grade Junior shooter Lachie Koch, of the Elsewhere Clay Target Club, Jamestown, shot a perfect score of 150/150. Lachie was able to sit back and watch the last



*Club President John Bretag with Gavin Height, winner of the Clem Thomas Memorial trophy*

squad shoot their 50 targets, with a number of 'top-shots' in it, falter in their quest to at least equal his score, and the Championship was his. Greg 'Cockles' Kessegian took second place in AA with a 147/150. Anthony Carlesso won A grade with a 143/150 over Paul Kelly on 144/154. B grade places went to Bruno Quinzi on 144/150 over thirteen-year-old Junior shooter Tom Clark from Hamilton, Victoria who shot a 142/150,



*Winners of the Graham & Ruth Michell Team trophy.  
L to R: Paul Kelly, Anna Evgeniou, Molly Bretag, Ruth Michell, Barry Sims and Rob Clark*



Allan Vilcins A Grade High Gun



Anna Evgeniou B Grade High Gun



Darren Nicholas C Grade High Gun

and C grade was won by Darren Nicholas with a 125/150 over Evan Gunby on 124/150.

This event is shot in conjunction with the Graham Michell Memorial trophy and the Graham and Ruth Michell Team trophy. Lachie Koch made history in being the first Junior shooter to win the Graham Michell Memorial trophy on the 18th anniversary of it being contested. It gave me great pleasure to place the winning sash on Lachie. Graham would have been so proud as he was a great supporter of Juniors and Women in the sport. Well done.

Home club Monarto took out the Team trophy after having posted a combined score of 711/750. Team members were Rob Clark 146/150, Barry Sims 146/150, Anna Evgeniou 141/150, Paul Kelly 140/150 and Molly Bretag 138/150. Well done Team Monarto, 18

points clear of their nearest rivals. Would you believe that after 50 targets of Point Score, that both teams put forward by South Australian Gun Club and International, tied for second on 693 points. Incredible, how did they manage to do that?

Presentation time saw the following High Gun recipients: Overall & AA grade Lachlan Koch 265/275, A grade: Allan Vilcins 258/275, B grade: Anna Evgeniou 251/275, C grade: Darren Nicholas 241/275, Veteran: Rito Borzillo 256/275, Ladies: Molly Bretag 254/275, Junior: Tom Clark 237/275.

Some very proud and happy recipients amongst this lot (it was Darren's first sash and he could have almost burst out of his skin with happiness – did someone whisper that he wore it to bed on Sunday night?), three of them were Junior shooters, it was

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Veteran High Gun Rito Borzillo



Tom Clark Junior High Gun



Molly Bretag Ladies High Gun

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an absolute joy seeing them standing proudly out the front at presentation time.

Time to get down to the nitty-gritties and thank all those who helped in any way leading up to, and over the weekend, to make the shoot the success that it was.

First and foremost, to our sponsors our deepest gratitude, without them we would find it extremely hard, and that is why we are indebted for your help: Marsh Advantage Insurance, Burgess Paint & Panel, McCue's Bakery, Bridge Office National, Evan & Marg Gunby, Barry Sims, two anonymous donors.

Thanks first to President John (so much unseen work and organisation behind the scenes) and his willing band of helpers, your dedication to our Club is both outstanding and appreciated by all. To our trappers: Dennis, Paul, Trevor, Rex and Blake (great work guys). Canteen: Ruth, Denise, and Karsha (for keeping the masses well fed). Office: Baden (computer), John (handicapping) and Sue Denton for her helpful expertise on the

program, I thank you. General helpers in all areas: Simsy, Grant, Hoppy, Robbie C, Peter H, Molly, Anna and her little helpers Karsha and Alexander, Ivan and to Daniel. Thanks a million! If I've missed anyone my apologies.

Thanks to Rob and Liz Frahn for again taking time out to cook up our 'moreish' roast beef and lamb dinner with baked veges, while Club members (and Sue) helped out with desserts, and lastly to our musical entertainers Gerald and Grant, but also to Des for bringing his didgeridoo out of hiding – I thank you. If word gets out about our musicians, we may have to book them in advance for next year's Anniversary Shoot.

Lastly a big thank you to all of our visiting shooters who came from near and far, we hope our weekend helped a little to ease the disappointment of the postponement of the Nationals. A wonderful weekend all round; lots of fine shooting, tasty food and great company.

Stay safe everyone, hopefully the 'elbow bumps' will be a thing of the past when we will meet again for the 39th Anniversary Shoot.

*Ruth Michell  
Shoot Day Secretary*

## 2019 STATE POSTAL TEAMS RESULTS

		<i>Skeet</i>	<i>Trap</i>	<i>ISSF Trap</i>	<i>ISSF Skeet</i>
NSW	Open	493	1476	*	*
	Ladies	111	370	*	*
	Juniors	*	364	*	*
	Veterans	120	370	*	*
NT	Open	450	1417	*	*
	Ladies	*	303	*	*
	Juniors	*	*	*	*
	Veterans	*	339	*	*
QLD	Open	495	1487	177	84
	Ladies	109	356	61	*
	Juniors	101	362	62	*
	Veterans	113	369	*	*
SA	Open	483	1437	*	*
	Ladies	109	265	*	*
	Juniors	85	333	*	*
	Veterans	117	352	*	*
TAS	Open	*	1463	*	*
	Ladies	*	340	*	*
	Juniors	*	346	*	*
	Veterans	*	359	*	*

		<i>Skeet</i>	<i>Trap</i>	<i>ISSF Trap</i>	<i>ISSF Skeet</i>
VIC	Open	491	1481	188	185
	Ladies	111	365	66	*
	Juniors	92	364	70	*
	Veterans	119	364	*	*
WA	Open	490	1484	186	132
	Ladies	*	353	*	*
	Juniors	*	313	*	*
	Veterans	115	359	*	*

- Indicates winning team
- Indicates tied winning teams
- \* Indicates no team entered or insufficient results

Rules for State Postal Competition

Rule 3.17, Rule 17.1 and Rule 7.13

Results of the competition, which must be completed by December 31, must not be publicised until all teams have contested. These results, including the score sheets signed by both the Referee and Principal scorer, must be sealed and lodged with the ACTA Executive Officer by December 31.

# THE AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION

Presents the

## 2020 NATIONAL SKEET CHAMPIONSHIPS

TO BE HELD AT THE NATIONAL SHOOTING GROUNDS TASMAN RD WAGGA WAGGA  
SUNDAY MAY 17<sup>th</sup> TO SATURDAY MAY 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020.

*National Events to commence at 8.30am daily.*

Overall to receive a Silver Australia Badge and a Royal Blue Sash  
Placings Overall - Graded AA,A,B,C, 1st, 2nd & 3rd plus Women's, Juniors, Sub Juniors & Veterans

**SUNDAY MAY 17**

**EVENT 1: POWER AMMO 6<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL 28G SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS**



**MONDAY MAY 18**

**EVENT 2: POWER AMMO 6<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL 410 BORE SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS**



Hall of Fame Dinner

**TUESDAY MAY 19**

**STATE SHOULDER TO SHOULDER TEAMS MATCHES**

Commencing at 8.30am followed by the Official Opening Ceremony

**GLENN TROPHY TEAM EVENT**

**EVENT 3: TOPSHOT INDUSTRIES 21<sup>st</sup> NATIONAL 12G SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS**



The Overall Winner shall receive the

**POSTPONED TO A LATER DATE**

**WEDNESDAY MAY 20**

**2020 COMMONWEALTH SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS**

The Overall Winner shall receive the Adrian Hayes Memorial Perpetual Trophy

**FRIDAY MAY 22**

**EVENT 6: KRIEGHOFF 51<sup>st</sup> NATIONAL 12G SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS**

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

**SATURDAY MAY 23**

**AUSTRALIA/NEW ZEALAND SKEET POSTAL CHALLENGE**

(TEAM IS SELECTED ON EVENTS 3 & 5)

**EVENT 7: ON TARGET SPORTING ARMS 34<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL SKEET DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP OF 100 TARGETS**



The Overall Winner shall receive the Paul Johnston Perpetual Trophy



**PERAZZI 14<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL SKEET CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS**

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

The Overall Winner shall receive the Casella Wines Perpetual Trophy

To be eligible, shooter must enter events 1, 2, 4 & 6 (28, 410 Bore, 20, 12 gauge) events and score is last box (25tgt) score of 4 events

**ACTA/ASSA Junior Initiative**

**A joint adventure to promote junior participation for Skeet Shooting in Australia**

**Prize:** 1<sup>st</sup> Place \$1,000 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place \$500

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

**Criteria:** Any 100 target score from any State or Territory 12g State title of any State carnival. Submit as many State 12g scores as you like and use the best one. Plus the combined scores of the National – Handicap, 20g, 12g and Commonwealth events. Eg: 100+350=450 targets total. Best two scores win.

**Commencement:** 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 until the completion of the 2019 Skeet Nationals (for a 5 year trial)

Additional awards include: FITASC Five Person Club Team Event, Two Person Team Event;

Two Women Team Event; Mixed Pairs Team Event; All Australian Skeet Team

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

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

Glenn Trophy team selected every year. World Skeet team selected even years.



The ACTA reserves the right to alter the program.



# What's happening in the VCTA

A wise person once said to me, "Good things come to those that wait." How appropriate is this in the current situation we find ourselves in. Our sport, as well as the pastimes of most of the population, is essentially in hibernation until this dilemma is over.

It is with bated breath that we wait patiently until the pandemic is over and we get the chance to return to the sport we all enjoy so much.

For those of us that live in Gippsland, the current crisis comes hard on the tail of some of the most devastating bushfires that we have seen in this region and it presented its own set of challenges. Whilst we were lucky, in Victoria, that our ACTA aligned clubs were spared the fire's devastation, a number of communities were ravaged by the fires and impacted upon club members. Without a doubt, our hearts go out to clubs in other states that were not so lucky and hope that they, and their members, are back up and going again soon.

While many community groups made huge commitments of time and resources towards supporting those communities that were impacted by the fires – I would like to make mention of one club in particular. The Bairnsdale Clay Target Club, right on the edge of the Gippsland bushfire zone, went to great lengths to get the support of clubs, members and sponsors to support a fund raising event for those in need. Seventy-one shooters competed for \$3000 worth of trophies supplied by a number of very supportive sponsors. While this may not seem like a huge event, to quote the Bairnsdale Facebook page, "This is one of the biggest shoots that has been held at our small country club ... thank you all. "It is pleasing to note that over \$4000 was raised for

the Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund! Well done to the Bairnsdale club members!

I would also like to make mention of another Gippsland club – Morwell Gun Club. We all know of the challenges of leases and land ownership for our clubs. Morwell, in the heart of the Latrobe Valley open cut coal mining and electricity producing region, has been advised by the power company that owns their land that they must vacate by the end of 2020. While they are getting support from the local council and other related bodies, the significance and cost related to 'moving home' is a huge one. For a club of approx. 70 members, this will be a huge challenge in such a short space of time – especially in the current environment we find ourselves in.

Recently I had the pleasure of attending the premier event of the Warrnambool Gun Club – the Warrnambool Seaside Classic. This event was three challenging days of competition in a variety of times, weather and conditions that put all competitors to the test. Aside from great competition, hospitality and camaraderie the facilities and grounds at the Warrnambool club were exceptional. The members of the club should be very proud of the way that the club presents itself. As one visitor said to me, "It's like going to a lawn bowls club", such is the meticulous way that the grounds are kept and maintained. I was most impressed, not just by the event, but by the way visitors were hosted by the club and

*A big day for everyone at Bairnsdale CTC*





*Jeff Bell – Gotcha!  
A misty morning in  
Warrnambool*

its members. It is certainly an event to put in your calendar for the future.

So what does the future have in store for the VCTA in the coming months?

As with everyone else, Club, Zone and Association activities will be subject to the regulations and guidelines of our local, State and Federal governments as they try to reduce the impact of COVID-19.

We have had to cancel our ISSF State Carnival that was due to be held on the first weekend in May – just like everybody else has had to

cancel different events. Essentially, we are all in the same boat until things settle down.

We are most hopeful that things will settle down in the reasonably foreseeable future. If not, we will find that we will have to cancel, or postpone, a number of other significant events such as:

- The School Student's qualifying events to be held across the four Zones in August and the final in September,
- The VCTA premier event, the State Carnival, that is due to be held in November.

They are not cancelled at this stage, but no-one

knows what the future holds and we need to be mindful of future commitments.

While we hope that these challenges are over sooner rather than later, we understand that there is little we can do about it, we are essentially "in the hands of the gods".

We will do our best to keep everyone informed of what is happening in the VCTA via our website [www.vcta.com.au](http://www.vcta.com.au) and our Facebook page.

One of our future challenges, and one that is currently facing the ACTA, is the question of Annual General Meetings so that we comply with the Incorporations Act as an incorporated body. I know that Consumer Affairs (in Victoria) has provided advice to clubs regarding this but it certainly presents it challenges.

Even our State Executive meetings will need to take a different form! With this in mind, VCTA are taking a leaf out the ACTA's book and are going to try holding video meetings. This will be a challenge to say the least! But given the current situation, and the need for a decision-making process that follows proper protocols, it's worth giving a try. As I keep telling myself, "It will be an adventure!"

As I'm sure the other State Secretaries will concur, the life of an administrator doesn't seem to change much no matter the circumstances. There is always somethings that needs to be done. And if there isn't anything specific at the particular point of time there's always the jobs that you have put off to a time when you have more time (it's called procrastinating – I'm very good at that!).

Keep well, keep safe and I look forward to catching up with you on a laneway in the not too distant future – I hope!

*Jeff Bell*

*State Secretary VCTA*



# Round One VCTA South East Zone Premier Teams

VCTA South East Zone Premier Teams event, Round One, was conducted at Frankston Australian, on Sunday 16th February.

156 shooters attended the first leg of the team's event, representing 26 open teams and 8 junior teams, a very healthy turn out to start the year.

The very strong face-on wind was more than a challenge for the majority, with no possibles in the first event, a 25 target Handicap. The 10 shooters who managed to only drop one in the 25 target event, did battle, with Phil DeFrancesco 39/40 the winner, Sam Francis 38/40 second, Chris Jones 35/37 third. Nathan McDonnell 23/25 was the Backmarker and Lucien Primavera 18/25 Junior Frontmarker.

In the Teams Section Melbourne Cricket Club (M.C.C.C.) Red, was in the lead with 110/125 from Werribee/Vic #5 on 105 and three other Werribee/Vic, teams on 100. The junior section was also lead by Werribee/Vic, 44/50 from Morwell 40/50.



DB O/A Nathan McDonnell

The second event, the 25 target Double Barrel saw twelve possibles and after 25 shoot off targets there were only two shooters still competing, Jackson Marriott and Nathan McDonnell. Nathan



Handicap winner Phil DeFrancesco



South East Zone VCTA Retiring Life Member, Treasurer John Wood. After 27 years in the job



Above: Winning Team M.C.C.C. Nathan, Gabi, Alexis, Lorenzo & Terry

Right: Junior Team Jamyn & Luca



was the Overall winner 72/72. AA grade S. Allen 41/42, N. Bassile 39/40. A grade J. Marriott 71/72, B. Jones 31/32. B grade T. Mills 33/34, K. Balcombe 32/34. C grade J. McFarlane 24/25, I. Cameron 22/25.

The High Gun was contested by the seven who had scored 48/50. The prized Beretta Wrist Watch was won by Luca Grapiglia 68/70. Ladies High Gun was Alexis Preston

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Grade Winners Stewart, Jackson Nathan Tom & John

# Round One VCTA South East Zone Premier Teams

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High Gun Luca Grapiglia



Ladies High Gun Alexis Preston



Junior High Guns Daniel, Luca & Troy

47/50. Junior High Guns AA grade T. Grime 48/50, A grade Grapiglia 48/50, B grade D. Bennett 37/50, C grade B. DePedro 39/50.

The winning team was M.C.C.C. Red 229/250. L Seribani-Rossi, G Sensi, N McDonnell, A Preston

and T Preston. The winning junior team was Werribee/Vic, 106/120, J Whiteham and L Grapiglia, after a shoot off with Morwell.

The Zone wishes to thank Beretta, for their ongoing support for these events and the provision of the High Gun trophy for each of the rounds in the series.

*Zone Secretary,  
Chris Carrol*

## Shoot Calendar

*Due to the Coronavirus situation Clubs have cancelled their programmed shoots for the foreseeable future. However this may change as the year progresses and it is advised that you contact State or Club Secretaries regarding scheduled shooting dates*

### 2020

April 29–May 1	Roman Chariot Shoot	Roma Clay Target Club Qld
May 2–4	Queensland State Trap Carnival	Roma Clay Target Club Qld
POSTPONED	ACTA Skeet Nationals	National Ground, Wagga Wagga
May 30	SA State Sporting	Kingston SE CTC SA
June 27	Central Victorian Grand Prix	Maryborough Gun Club Vic
June 27–28	Queensland State 5-Stand Carnival	Redcliffe City Clay Target Club Qld
July 10–12	Queensland State ISSF Carnival	Brisbane Gun Club Qld
August 29–30	ACTA Sporting Nationals	National Ground, Wagga Wagga NSW
August 29–30	Commonwealth Carnival	Echuca Clay Target Club Vic
September 17–20	Queensland State Skeet Carnival	Toowoomba Clay Target Club Qld
October 23–25	SA State ISSF	State Shooting Park Virginia SA

# Competition Results



**NEW SOUTH WALES**



## UPDATE April

Due to the current circumstance we find ourselves in, I would like to provide an update for the Clubs in our Zone regarding our Zone selection shoots, Advertising, and Zone Meetings in 2020.

First off the Riverina Zone Skeet Championship that was scheduled to be held at Griffith on the 21/3/2020 was postponed in line with the ACTA and NSWCTA recommendations for all Clubs to cease shooting until further notice. The second selection Shoot scheduled for the 30/5/2020 is the Zone ISSF Trap Championship also scheduled for Griffith, we will make a call on that at the end of April however it is almost a certainty that won't happen then either.

The Zone Sporting Clays scheduled for the 20/6/2020 and the Zone DTL Carnival scheduled for the 4/7/2020 are both too far away to make any definitive calls as yet, and as such I propose that nothing happen as far as rescheduling ANY SELECTION SHOOTS until we have more certainty with travel restrictions, crowd numbers etc. A review each month will be done to ascertain just where we are at.

As far as CTSN Advertising is concerned, that will cease from the May edition onward, unfortunately I couldn't stop the April edition due to lead times. Zone Ads will not be recommenced until we are able to discuss it fully at a Zone meeting and that may be some time yet.

At this stage there are no definitive changes planned for the State DTL Carnival 2–5 October, or the State ISSF Carnival scheduled for the 9–11 October 2020.

The ISSF Carnival may or may not change as

the ACTA are looking to hold the National Trap Carnival commencing on the Tuesday 6th October running through to Sunday 11th October. We can only wait and see what happens there, but personally I doubt that the ISSF Carnival will change as it is part of a bigger endorsed Shooting Australia program.

From here on I will endeavor to provide updates at the end of each month to keep you and your Club as informed as I can, until we can all resume some sort of normality please stay safe, roll with the punches and keep calm.

*Col Kneebone  
Riverina Zone President*

### **Barellan 08/03/2020**

Fine (24): 10T DB 15m CD: P Salafia & G Schmetzer, 10/10; A Franco, N Duncan, S Papisidero, A Paonne, C Salafia 9/10; 25T Barellan & District DB CS: OA & AA/A: C Salafia. 2nd N Duncan; B: R Hillam, 2nd G Fairman; C: K Wardman, 2nd B Irvin; VET: K Whytcross; 30T PS 15m CD: A. Paonne 85/90; C Salafia. 83/90, G Schmetzer 83/90; HG: C Salafia 118/125.

### **Bathurst 08/03/2020**

Fine (27): 25T Cont CD: AA: M Dutton 25/25 25/25; AA: G Evans 25/25 25/25; A: P Haley 24/25 24/25; A: C Bonanno 24/25 24/25; B: G Howarth 24/25 24/25, C Ryan 23/25 23/25; C: P Doig 23/25 23/25, L Martin 20/25 20/25; 25T CONT PS CS; OA: G Evans 87/90 72/75 15/15; AA: D Piotrowski 74/78 72/75 2/3, M Dutton 70/75 70/75; A: P Haley 84/90 72/75 12/15, J Martin 70/75 70/75; B: C Ryan 70/75 70/75, B Alston 69/81 63/75 6/6; C: S Griffiths 62/75 62/75, J Dunn 58/75 58/75; 50T DB CONT Champ: OA: G Evans 50/50 50/50; AA: J Nash 57/58 49/50 8/8, D Weal 56/58 49/50 7/8; A: M Harber 49/50 49/50, P Haley 68/70 48/50 20/20; B: B Alston 47/50 47/50, G Howarth 46/50 46/50; C: J Dunn 44/50 44/50, L Martin 38/50 38/50; OA HG: G Evans 147/150.

### **Bathurst 15/03/2020**

Windy Cool (11): 100T SKT CD: AA: G Jones 95/100 95/100; A: K Hoskins 92/100 92/100; A: R Wylie 92/100 92/100; B: D Hopwood 88/100 88/100, W Jones 85/100 85/100, H Dobson 85/100 85/100; C: L Martin 82/100 82/100, M Harber 81/100 81/100.

### **Canowindra 15/03/2020**

Fine (24): 25T SB: AA: A Jones, J Finn 25/25; A: L Arnold 24/25, P Deland 23/25; B: M Burt 18/25, P Ellis 17/25; C: J Dunn 21/25, S Tydd 13/25; 45T Medley: OA: B Rue; AA: D Hunter, A Jones; A: B Wilson 2nd B Greenway; B: P Ellis,

2nd M Burt; C: J Dunn, 2nd S Tydd; 25T HC: 1 Jodie Dunn 24/25, 2nd B Rue; OA HG: D Hunter 125/129.

### **Cooma 14/03/2020**

Overcast & windy (20): 20T DB Gr CD: AA: C Smith, J Barron 20, A Niesar 19; A: D McInnes 19, B Smith 18, J Gray 17; B: R Perkins 20, P Ewart 18, M O'Brien, L Blewitt 16; C: C Boyer 19, G Beht, W Crouch 13; 30T PS: AA: C Rowland 87/90, C Smith 84/90; A: K Luketic 87/90, J Gray 82/90; B: P Ewart 85/90, R Perkins 80/90; C: C Boyer 82/90, W Crouch 65/90; 50T DB HC CS: 1: C Boyer 48/51, 2: J Barron 47/51, 3: B Gruber 46/50; LAD: R Perkins 42/50; FM: W Croucher 41/50; HG: C Rowland 150/160.

### **Cowra 07/03/2020**

Beautiful (40): 25T Gr DB CD: AA: T O'Leary, J Nash, G Evans, R Piotrowski, A Drogemuller, M Dunn 25/25; A: W Jones 25/25, E Dun, M Drury 24/25; B: P Mould 25/25, B Dent 23/25, N Donnelly 22/25; C: K Gorman 22/25, D Deland, G Dunn 20/25; Lachlan Valley 50T PS CS: OA: C O'Leary 149/150; AA: T O'Leary 149/150, J Nash 147/150; A: W Jones 148/153, M Drury 147/153; B: R Alston 136/153, B Dent 133/153; C: K Gorman 143/150, G Dunn 131/150; Jackpot Trophy 25T HC: K Gorman 26/26, T O'Leary 25/26, G Evans 26/27; HG: T O'Leary 199/200.

### **Deniliquin 15/03/2020**

Fine (43): 50T Pre-Nationals PS Gr CS: OA: W Kelvy 146/150; AA: B Ford 148/153, N Ham 145/150; A: D Gillis 143/150, I Gebhardt 142/150; B: C Evans 144/150, N Lester 140/150; C: R Gillis 134/150, W Lahn 118/150; 50T Pre-Nationals DB Gr CS: OA: B McAllister 53/53; AA: L Fitzgerald 52/53, W Kelvy 50/51; A: S MacKenzie 49/50, G Pridmore 48/50; B: C Evans 55/58, G Coombes 54/58; C: R Gillis 44/50, D Dudley 43/51; 25 Pr Riv Zone DR Gr CS: OA: L Fitzgerald 47/50; AA: B McAllister 46/50, C

Fitzgerald 45/50; A: I Gebhardt 50/60, D Gillis 59/70; B: T Fellows 34/50, B Hartney 33/50; C: B Davey 36/50, E Dudley 33/50; HG: L Fitzgerald 241/250.

#### **Grafton 08/03/2020**

Cloudy - no rain (18): 25T PS CD: AA: K Harding 71/75, P Jackson 69/75; A: P Farrell 71/75, M Lindner 65/75; B: No Competitors; C: G Linnertson, 50/75, B Woods 37/75; 50T DB Club CS: OA: P Westbury 49/50; AA: P Westbury 49/50, P Jackson 48/50; A: M Lindner 46/50, P Farrell 43/50; B: No Competitors; C: G Linnertson 35/50, B Woods 23/50; 50T CONT CD: AA: R Spagnolo 46/50, P Jackson, K Harding 44/50; A: M Lindner 46/50, C Durkin 44/50; B: No Competitors; C: G Linnertson 32/50, B Woods 22/50; OA HG: P Jackson 161/175.

#### **Guyra 08/03/2020**

Overcast: 100T SKT CS: OA: G Field 102/110; A: R Vidal 100/108; B: J Richardson 92/102, D Edmonds 91/102; C: F Richardson 91/100, J Reid 89/100; 25T HC: 1st J Reid 37/37, 2nd W Heagney 39/43, 3rd F Richardson 36/39; HG OA: D Edmonds 127/132; A: R Vidal 125/136; B: G Fields 121/131; C: F Richardson 130/143; LAD: A Richardson 61/125; VET: J Reid 113/125.

#### **Griffith 21/03/2020**

Fine and Sunny (11): 100T SKT: AA: M Rosenboom 100/100; A: G McMillan 95/100; B: G McDoanld 90/100; C: L Stokes 88/100.

#### **Junee 22/03/2020**

Fine, warm and windy (23): 25T DB CD: AA: B Kidd 25/25; A: G Burton 23/25; B: G Schmetzer 25/25; C: A Roberts 21/25; 50T PS CS: OA: B Kidd 148/150; AA: D Burt 144/150, D Caccioppoli 141/150; A: G Burton 127/150; B: G Schmetzer 141/150, B Fellows 131/150; C: D Burton 131/150, G Patterson 123/150; VET: I Furner 120/150; JNR: W Hamilton; 25T HC: 1st: B Fellows 23/30, 2nd: I Furner 28/30, 3rd: D Burton 30/33; HG: B Kidd 195/200.

#### **Kempsey 21/03/2020**

Fine 28c (14): 25T DB 15m CD: AA: B Hooper 23/25, R Spagnolo 22/25; A: I McLeod, R Marko 24/25; R Nock 23/25; B: K Saunders 22/25, J Burke 20/25; C: D Penfold 22/25, G Lancaster 21/25; 25T PS 15m CD: AA: B Hooper 72/75, R Spagnolo 70/75; A: B Dray 68/75, R Nock 67/75, K Miller 63/75; B: J Burke 61/75, K Saunders 56/75; C: G Lancaster 58/75, N Haynes 52/75; 50T DB Cont Club CS 15m: OA & AA: B Hooper 51/54; A: R Marko 50/54; B: J Burke 39/50; C: G Lancaster 39/50; HG: B Hooper 142/150.

#### **Majura Park 11/03/2020**

Fine (23): 40T SB: 40T SB Club Total Score OTG Score S/O Score:

OPEN: M Patmore AA 25 West Wyalong 47/48 39/40 8/8; AA: W Cameron AA 24 Majura Park 46/48 39/40 7/8; A: C Curtis V A 21 Majura Park 40/43 37/40 3/3; B: K Thistleton L B 17 Goulburn 34/40 34/40; C: C Bowyer C 15.

#### **Majura Park 18/03/2020**

Mild breeze and mild temperature (22): 20PR D/R Twilight CS: Club Total Score OTG Score S/O Score: OPEN: D Power AA Majura Park 38/40 38/40; AA: D Jarvis AA Majura Park 55/60 37/40 18/20; A: P Maloney A Majura Park 37/40 37/40; B: R Fleming JB Goulburn 36/40 36/40; C: A Cumberland C 33/40 33/40; Nominated Shooters: 20 Sponsor: 25T Round 3 HC Masters: Club Total Score OTG Score S/O Score: OPEN: P Maloney A19 Majura Park 25/25 25/25, 2nd R Fleming JAA22 Goulburn 27/28 24/25 3/3, 3rd P Hart C15 Majura Park 26/28 24/25 2/3.

#### **Marconi 08/03/2020**

Illawarra Clay Target Club Gift Shoot (85): 50T DB, 50T PS: OA: A Depaoli 198/200; AA: P Athanasopoulos 198/200, J Luke 197/200; A: H Guerreiro 197/200, G Depaoli 193/200; B: J Nunes 187/200, K Berry 185/200; C: N Assiouras 182/200, E Banana 177/200; LAD: A Smith 193/200; VET: J Adamopoulos 192/200; JNR: T Dimeglio 188/200; Illawarra: OA: S Roe 181/200; A: A Roe 181/200; B: J Mitchell 174/200; C: N Petrone 170/200.

#### **Marconi 22/03/2020**

Warm Day (56): 103T DB: AA: C Plessas 116/116, S Caltabiano 115/116; A: L Galea 114/116, Y Nezir 113/116; B: R Cummings 105/110, B Palmer 104/110; C: J Aboumelhem 98/103, 2nd 93/106.

#### **Marconi 20/03/2020**

Warm Night (43): 50T Southern Zone Night DB CS: OA: Y Tannous 50/50; AA: A Mikhael 54/55, D Stevenson 53/55; A: D Barros 49/50, P Mansueto 48/50; B: G Glasgow 45/50, M Blasi 44/50; C: N Assiouras 47/50, M Bailey 32/50.

#### **Mt Lindesay 08/03/2020**

Very pleasant (9): 50T DB, 50T PS, 25T SB: A: S Goldthorpe 230/250; B: N McMillan 200/225; C: B Blinman 189/225; OA: N Hannant 232/250.

#### **Richmond 13/03/2020**

Fine (14): 75T DB: AA: L Hart 72/75; A: G Bruce 72/75; B: M Perkins 70/75; C: J Oliver 55/75.

#### **Richmond River Gun Club 22/03/2020**

Fine (25): 45T Medley CD: AA: G Turner, G Graham, R Spencer, R Hastie 72/75; A: A Clarke, G Bruce 74/75; B: P Consalvo 61/75, J Tait 57/75; C: J Oliver 69/75, A Snelling, G Morgan 65/75; 50T Cont CS: OA: G Graham 66/66; AA: G Graham 66/66, 50/50, K Harding 65/66,

50/50; A: T Hart 78/80, 48/50, T Schneider 77/80, 48/50; B: C Starr 46/50; C: J Oliver 45/50; 25T Cont PS: AA: R Spencer 72/75, G Graham 77/81; A: G Bruce 75/75, M Sullivan 74/75; B: P Consalvo 69/75; C: G Morgan 71/75; OA HG: G Bruce 195/200. Intermediate HG: J Oliver 178/200.

#### **Sydney 13/03/2020**

Fine (21): 60T D/R: AA: P Athanasopoulos 55/60, V Belacastro 50/60; A: C Plessas 53/60, A Poulos 52/60; B: L Pinheiro 50/70, G Smith 46/70; C:



## QUEENSLAND

#### **Ballandean 15/03/2020**

Windy & cool (47): 25T DB: AA: J Reid 44/44, G Costanzo 43/44; A: R Esposito 31/32, A Wilmot 30/32; B: L Scalia 23/25, S Ward 26/29; C: B Ruhle 20/25, H Finch 18/25; 45T Medley: AA: J Lee 97/100, T Rogers 97/100; A: P Tronc 82/100, P Stiller 81/100; B: S Ward 70/75, J Loy 67/75; C: N Watt 61/75, G Casely 56/75; 20Pr D/R: AA: J Lee 39/40, M Rogers 47/50; A: M Mascadri 33/40, L Rogers 30/40; B: L Scalia 31/40, S Coventry 37/50; C: S Favaro 25/40, N Watt 34/50; HG: OA: J Lee 136/140.

#### **Gold Coast 01/03/2020**

(32): 50T ACTA Sporting: AA: N Aird 44/50, D Groundwater 42/50; A: K Dowie 40/50, I Waldron 40/50; B: K Madsen 40/50, L Groundwater 37/50; C: R Ingram 33/50, S Bright 32/50; 50T ACTA Sporting: AA: D Groundwater 60/65, P Tobin 59/65; A: K Dowie 42/50, R Hooper 41/50; B: K Madsen 42/50, L Groundwater 35/50; C: R Ingram 32/50, S Bright 29/50; High Guns: OA: D Groundwater 88/100; LAD: L Groundwater 72/100; VET: K Dowie 86/105.

#### **Goondiwindi 08/03/2020**

Partly, cloud, slight chance of a shower during this afternoon and evening. The chance of a thunderstorm in the southwest during this afternoon and evening. Winds E 20 to 30 km/h. Daytime max temp around (23) 50T Medley 25T DB, 25T PS: AA: J Sipple 100/100, C Mitchell 99/100, B Farlow 98/100; A: M Winning 98/100, A Hoffmann 95/100, H Johnson 94/100; B: G Rixon 92/100, R Kearney 89/100, R Carrigan 91/100; C: S Toop 92/100, D Lemmon 85/100, B Greenland 68/100; 100T DB: OA: S Nothdurft 100/100; AA: C Mitchell 99/100, J Sipple 99/100, M Johnson 97/100; A: M Moloney 97/100, S Boydell

E Kattos 34/60, N Assiouras 33/60.

#### **Yass 15/03/2020**

Sunny but breezy (36): 75T SZ 75T Ch/Ch off 18m: OA: M Gerstenberg 167/175; AA: B Hallam 165/175, M Patmore 141/150; A: M Harris 115/125, A Walsh 113/125; B: S MacDonald 112/125, J Twarloh 110/125; C: T Sharman 93/125, S Bain 90/125; 25T SB Cash Trophy: AA: M Patmore 25/25; A: A Cumberland 29/30; B: S MacDonald 24/25; C: T Sharman 19/25; HG: M Gerstenberg, M Patmore 142/150.

95/100, M Winning 94/100; B: T Gibson 96/100, J Roper 93/100, R Kearney 90/100; C: S Toop 87/100, D Lemmon 85/100, B Greenland 68/100; JR: B Greenland 68/100.

#### **Gympie 08/03/2020**

overcast and showers 28 (42): 25T DB CD: AA: G Manning, S Whitehead, M Welke, W Slegtenhorst, W Humphreys, G Mason, Nicho 25/25; A: A Miamo, T Roberts, D Rodger, F Mills 25/25; B: P Loeffler, J Greenfield, J Holmes, T Mellor 23/25; C: M Harper 24/25, C Devitt 23/25, M Borwick, J Issa 20/25; 45T Medley: AA: G Durre 75/75, W Humphreys 98/100; A: G Bailo73/75, Fay Mills 97/100; B: J Holmes 70/75, P Loeffler 93/100; C: M Borwick 70/75, I Sims 69/75; 50T DB: AA: W Humphreys 54/54, J Lewis 53/54; A: A Miana 50/50, Fay Mills 54/55; B: R Behrens 49/50, J Geenfield 70/72; C: M Harper 46/50, J Issa 45/50; HG: AA: W Humphreys 148/150; A: A Miano 147/150; B: J Holmes 141/150; C: M Borwick 134/15.

#### **Maryborough 15/03/2020**

Fine & windy (12): Sat 14/3/20 100T Maryborough Classic; 5 Stand Sporting: AA: P Togin 88/100, G Paviour 66/100; A: T Norris 79/100, N Squires 77/100; B: S Kurriewicz 78/100, S Paterson 77/100; C: N Stewart 58/100, T Spring 43/100; Sunday 15/3/20 100T Maryborough Classic; 5 Stand Sporting: AA: P Togin 93/100, G Paviour 78/100; A: T Norris 84/100, A Ford 55/100; B: S Kurriewicz 76/100, S Paterson 74/100; C: N Stewart 59/100, T Spring 46/100; S E Z 200 5 Stand Sporting CS: OA: P Togin 181/200; AA: G Paviour 144/200; A: T Norris 163/200; B: S Kurriewicz 154/200; C: N Stewart 114/200; S E Z Team: P Togin 181, S Kurriewicz 154, S Paterson 148.

### Maryborough 22/03/2020

Beautiful sunny no wind (22): 25T SB CD: AA: G Noffke, G Matthews 25/25; A: G Hogarth, I Wynyard 22/25; B: J Greenfield, G Sartore 22/25; C: R Thornton 23/25; 30T DB CS: OA & AA: T Anderson 129/129, G Matthews 128/129; A: G Hogarth 29/30, R Anderson 28/30; B: G Christensen 29/30, J Greenfield 28/30; C: R Aird 28/30, M Harper 27/30; 30T Pts: AA: B Ward 105/105, G Noffke 102/105;

A: G Hogarth 71/90, I Wynyard 79/90; B: J Greenfield 79/90, G Christensen 71/90; C: R Aird 78/93, M Hoper 75/93; 25T Cont: AA: G Noffke 27/27, S Whitehead 26/27; A: I Wynyard 23/25, G Hogarth 23/25; B: J Greenfield 22/25, G Christensen 22/25; C: R Thornton 22/25, M Harper 22/25; HG: AA: G Noffke 170/170; A: G Hogarth 161/170; B: J Greenfield 141/170; C: R Thornton 144/170.

B Thompson 23/30; 10T DB E\O CD: G Hoopgood, S Haggerty, G Read, D Oliverio, D Mills 10/10; 25T DB HC: 1st: R Collumb 23/25, 2nd: A Carlesso 26/30, 3rd: D Mills 25/30, 4th: B Greenshields 26/30, 5th: G Carter 25/30; 50T PS Gr: AA: R Collumb 146/150, D Oliverio 143/150; A: A Carlesso 135/150, R Zupanic 130/150; B: W Channing 126/150, B Duncan 120/150; C: R Spinella 124/150, S Haggerty 120/150; OA HG: D Neale 257/290; Gr OA HG: AA: T Johnson 241/290; A: G Carter 234/290; B: W Channing

229/290; C: S Haggerty 214/290; VET OA HG: P Brister 213/290; LAD OA HG: T Haggerty 204/290; JNR OA HG: L Koch 156/185.

### Wilkawatt 08/03/2020

Fine sunny (25): 100T CONT: AA: L Higgins 100/101, R Andrews 99/101; A: A Kakoschke 97/102, B Peter 96/102; B: M McGrice 91/102, K Pfeiffer 90/102; C: P Ruston 89/100, N Hein 88/101; OA: L Higgins 100/101; LAD: A Ellman Brown 67/100; JNR: L Batten 93/100; VET: C Windham 96/100.



### Mid North 01/03/2020

Sunny and windy (14): 15T CD: T Skinner, B Finch 15/15; 100T DB: OA: H Bowman 97/100; AA: H Bowman 97/100, G Read 95/100; A: M Pontifex 91/100; B: T Bowman 97/106, J Gross 96/106; C: S Haggerty 94/100, T Haggerty 90/100; VET: G Read 95/100; LAD: T Haggerty 90/100.

### Monarto 14/03/2020

Gusty, cold winds from the South-East (14): 25 T DB CS: OA: G Kessegian 25/25; AA: G Kessegian 25/25, R Clark 42/43; A: A Vilcins 51/52, G Hopgood 50/52; B: R Hammat 24/25, B Lloyd 22/25; C: M Rudd 23/25, D Loughhead 24/26; 25T SB CS: OA: G Height 32/33; AA: G Height 32/33, M Bretag 31/33; A: R Zupanic 26/29, G Hopgood 25/29; B: B Lloyd 22/25, A Evgeniou 22/27; C: D Nicholas 22/25, P Dunn 19/25; 25T Anniversary HC: OA: A Vilcins 30/30 (19 metres), 2nd: W Daou 48/49 (21 metres), 3rd: D Nicholas 47/49 (15 metres), 4th: M Bretag 26/28 (22 metres), 5th: R Leake 25/28 (19 metres).

### Monarto 15/03/2020

Fine and mild though the wind did pick up in the afternoon (60): 30T MXD CS: OA: G Height 50/50; AA: G Height 50/50, R Cook 73/75; A: V Petracaro 96/100, A Vilcins 95/100; B: B Quinzi 73/75, A Evgeniou 61/75; C: L Ciaramellano 69/75, D Nicholas 66/75; This event was shot in conjunction with the Clem Thomas Memorial Won this year by G Height. Congratulations Gavin; 50T PS CS: OA: L Koch 150/150; AA: L Koch 150/150, G Kessegian 147/150; A: A Carlesso 143/150, P Kelly 144/153; B: B Quinzi 144/150, T Clark 142/150; C: D Nicholas 125/150, E Gunby 124/150; This event is shot in conjunction with the Graham Michell Memorial trophy and the Graham and Ruth Michell Team trophy. Winner of the Memorial

trophy was Junior shooter, Lachie Koch. History in the win! Well done Lachie. Winners of the Team trophy was that from Monarto 711/750: R Clark 146/150, B Sims 146/150, AEvgeniou 141/150, P Kelly 140/150, M Bretag 138/150; HG: OA & AA: L Koch 265/275; A: A Vilcins 258/275; B: A Evgeniou 251/275; C: D Nicholas 241/275; VET: R Borzillo 256/275; LAD: M Bretag 254/275; JNR: T Clark 237/275.

### Mount Gambier 14/03/2020

Fine & wind gusts (45): 50T SKT: AA: K Atkin 46/50, M Whitehead 40/50, D Simson 40/50; A: L Rymill 43/50, K Mules 42/50; B: G Yoannidis 43/50, S Chambers 41/50; C: D Munro 39/50, S Bowd 41/54; 25T DB: AA: W Lindner 26/26, S Pienudomkijlert 25/26; A: A Jenkins 25/25, K Mules 24/26; B: S Bowd 24/25, R Gilcrist 26/28; C: P Klieve 24/25, D Wright 24/28; 25Pr D/R ,CS: AA: M Whitehead 43/50, P Winsler 41/50; A: G Schmidt 39/50, W Wombwell 37/50; B: K Dawe 37/60, B Jarrett 36/60; C: D Rohde 31/50, D Wright 29/50; OA: M Whithead 43/50; HG: K Atkin 115/135.

### Port Augusta 15/03/2020

Sunny & Windy 28 C (13): 100T DB: AA: Jason King 99/100, A Bury 28/100; B: B Bradtke 96/100, D Beare 86/100; C: R Gray 94/100, M Meaney 91/100; OA: Jason King 99/100.

### Southern Yorke Peninsula

#### 21/03/2020

Perfect (34): 25T SKT HC: 1st P Baldock 36/37, 2nd T Johnson 35/37, 3rd D Neale 34/36, 4th L Schubert 31/32; 50T SKT Grd: AA: L Schubert 45/50; B: W Channing 36/50; C: T Johnson 45/50, D Neale 43/50; 30T DB HC Night Shoot: 1st: R Spinella 28/33, 2nd: T Haggerty 37/32, 3rd: T Johnson 26/31, 4th: D Neale 24/30, 5th: S Bowley, M Pontifex, R Collumb,



### Hobart 22/03/2020

Fine (19): 75T Ch/Ch: AA: S Browning 122/125; A: P Bonusiak 118/125; B: J McIntyre 109/125; C: L Kenny 99/125; 15 Pr D/R: AA: S Browning 25/30; A: P Spaulding 23/25; B: J Briggs 19/30; C: L Kenny 21/30.

### Spring Bay 14/03/2020

Cloudy but fine (21): 20T DB CD:

AA: S Glover, G Arnol 20/20; A: P Howe, C Arnol 20/20; B: K Chapman 20/20; C: C Lamprill, D Silk 18/20; 50T DB CS: AA & OA: S Glover 50/50; A: B Callaghan 50/52; B: D Reynolds 49/53; C: C Lamprill 47/50; 30T PS: AA: S Glover 88/90; A: A Kenny 82/90; B: K Chapman 90/105; C: L Kenny 73/90; OA HG: S Glover 157/160.



### Busselton 28/02/2020

Fine (49): 50T DB Grd CD: AA: T Morris, G Fleay, J Fleay 50/50; A: C Hyder, L Smith 49/50, S Vincent 48/50; B: T Silvester 49/50, D Vrolyk 47, M. Smy, B Whiteaker 46; C: P Vincent 43/50; Saturday 29/3/20: 25T DB Grd CD: AA: S Gee, C Browne, T Morris, G Qaranta, C Smith, J Fleay, G Fleay, J Lynch, C Parker, B Humphrey, A Da Luz 25/25; A: L Smith, W Kuser 25/25, J Overton, R Puglisi, C Hyder, P Howe 24/25; B: M Smy, C Nairn, R Coodmeiners 25/25;

C: R Priolo 23/25, P Vincent, J Moffatt 21/25; 45T Mixed: OA: J Fleay 99/99; AA: C Browne, G Kelly 124/125, T Morris 98/99; A: N Edwards 74/75, P Howe 96/97, R Appleton 94/97; B: T Silvester 96/96, J Ablett 74/75, B Whiteaker 71/75; C: J Moffatt 67/75, R Priolo 59, P Vincent 50; 50T DB Koombana Cup - Neville Hyder Memorial: OA: S Gee 122/122; AA: D Mainwaring 121/122, M Humphery 80/81, G Qaranta 79/81; A: L Smith 62/63, C Hyder 61/63, R Appleton 59/60; B: T

Silvester 112/112, B Whiteaker 54/54, R Coodmeiners 49/52; C: R Priolo 46/50, J Moffatt 45/50, P Vincent 42/50; Sunday 1/3/20: 25T SB: OA: S Gee 28/28; AA: G Fleay 27/28, M Humphreys 35/36, J Fleay 34/36; A: P Howe 26/26, C Parker 26/28, N Edwards 25/28; B: K Sloan 22/25, D Vrolyk 23/27, L Anderson 22/27; C: R Priolo 22/25, P Vincent 18/26, J Moffatt 17/26; 25 PS: OA: J Fleay 78/78; AA: K Holden 75/75, C Smith 80/81, S Gee 79/81; A: M Miles 71/75, C Parker 70/75, J McCarthy 68/75; B: T Silvester 71/75, R Silvester 68/75, D Vrolyk 63/75; C: R Priolo 66/75, P Vincent 61/75, J Moffatt 60/75; 25 Pr District D/R CS: OA: C Browne 57/60; AA: M Humphreys 47/50, G Kelly 46/50, G Fleay 44/50; A: R Appleton 41/50, N Edwards 40/50, S Moffatt 38/50; B: T Silvester 44/50, M Smy 42/50, D Vrolyk 40/50; C: R Priolo 34/50, J Moffatt 28, P Vincent 27; HG OA: S Gee 290/300; AA: C Browne, J Fleay 287/300; A: C Hyder 278/300; B: T Silvester 282/300; C: R Priolo 250/300; LAD: K

Smith 277/300; VET: G Kelly 286/300; JNR: J Moffatt 238/300.

**Peel 08/03/2020**

Lovely but a little windy at times (39): 105T Medley: OA: T Hearn 174/175; AA: L Bager 194/200, G Walker 193/200, G

Gosling 168/175; A: G Symons 190/200, M Urquhart 187/200, R Peskett 159/175; B: S Henderson 167/175, D Vrolyk 165/175, R Bailey 187/200; C: P Britton 164/175, J Santostefano 158/175, D Shepherd 178/20.

**Euroa 08/03/2020**

Good (32): 25T DB CS: AA & OA: A Rohrlach 30/30, C Comensoli 27/28; A: A Plum 29/30, M McLachlan 42/43; B: J Winters 27/28, D Collihole 23/25; C: A Mackrell 22/25, N Tuck 19/25; 25T PS CS: AA & OA: A Rohrlach 74/75, C Comensoli 75/81; A: D Cox 82/84, K Elwood 79/84; B: T McGrath 68/75, I Towers 67/75; C: C Petersen 63/75, N Tuck 51/75; 20Pr D/D CS: A Rohrlach & G McClure 51/51, C Comensoli & L Comensoli 50/51; HG: A Rohrlach 99/100.

**Hamilton 21/03/2020**

Fine sunny (37): 30T HC: 1st M Rudd 30/30, 2nd J Dumesney 38/39, 3rd A McKinnon 37/39, 4th G Schmidt 29/32; BM: W Jenkins 27/30; 50T DB: OA: S Edwards 54/55; AA: J Wilmott 53/55, M Molan 50/52; A: G Stevenson 56/59, G Schmidt 55/59; B: L Howlett 49/52, C Climas 48/52; C: M Rudd 45/50, F Diprose 43/50.

**Mansfield 15/03/2020**

Fine and Sunny (22): 50T N/E Zone B/T: OA: A Kirley 47; AA: D Chinn 46, A Kidd 43; A: A Kirley 47, M Coleman 46; B: M McLachlan 46, D Walker 40; C: K Chinn 37, D Luelf 36; 25T DB CD:

AA: G McClure 25; A: R Stackhouse, J King 24; B: J Winters, B Foster 24; C: K Chinn 24; 25T HC: G Foster 26/27, M McLachlan 25/27, D Chinn 24/26.

**Warrnambool 14/03/2020**

Cold and Windy (26): 10T PS EO: T Justin, A Pollock 30/30, G Jennings, J Dumesny, W Jenkins, S Holdsworth 29/30; 50T DB: OA & AA: W Jenkins 74/74, G Jennings 73/74; A: M Guaru 50/50, N Gordon 49/50. 1st B: Toby Pride 48/51, B Woodmason 47/51; C: R Dumesny 41/50, Z Pringle 40/50; 25T PS: AA: A Pollock, W Jenkins 75/75; A: T Justin 73/75, M Guaru 70/75; B: G McDonald 73/75, I Unthink 62/75; C: R Dumesny 75/75, L Pringle 59/75.

**Yarrawonga 08/03/2020**

Fine (20): 30T PS CD: AA: D Saunders 88/90, R Wojtowycz 85/90; A: C Sessions 88/90, P Woods 85/90; B: B Foster 81/90, G Coombes 79/90; C: H Wojtowycz 52/90, V Coombes 51/90; 50T DB CS: AA & OA: A Ferguson 50/50, R Wojtowycz 48/50; A: C Sessions 60/63, G Twamley 59/63; B: G Sanders 47/50, G Coombes 46/50; C: V Coombes 42/50, H Wojtowycz 39/50; HG: C Sessions 135/140.



**Ararat 07/03/2020**

Windy (27): 100T MXD CS: OA: G Wilkinson 145//150; AA: S Holdsworth 141/150, L Hawker 139/150; A: W Soufis 140/150, K Hawker 139/150; B: G Powell 139/150, J Torney 134/150; C: D Harris 114/150, I Cameron 112/150; OA HG: G Wilkinson 145/150; OA VET HG: G Cassells 138/150; OA LAD HG: L Hawker 139/150; OA JNR HG: K Hawker 139/150.

**Bendigo 07/03/2020**

Fine sunny light wind (30): 50T DB: OA & AA: C Comensoli 68/68, P Beaman 60/61; A: C O'Brien 67/68, M Appleby 64/65; B: A Kent 45/50, K Estcourt 40/50; C: B Papst 44/50, B Lahn 43/50; 50T PS: OA & AA: P Beaman 150/150, S Gallagher 149/150; A: S Mackenzie 144/150, M Appleby 141/150; B: A Kent 126/150, K Estcourt 121/150; C: T Hogg 137/150, B Papst 133/150.



# ACTA New Members

M'ship No.	First Name	Surname	Club
70952	Ethan	Silvester	Albany CTC
87032	Matthew	Newton	Barcaldine CTC
108784	Tamatha	McKinlay	Barcaldine CTC
108809	Beverley	Harris	Beaufort GC
108872	Maxford	Thomson	Berrima CTC
108907	Bartolomeo	Celestino	Berrima CTC
108908	Keanan	O'Grady	Berrima CTC
108909	Eric	Jordan	Berrima CTC
108800	Stephen	Akers	Boorowa GC
108795	Rachael	King	Brisbane GC
108798	Amanda	Bailey	Brisbane GC
108799	Andrew	Pimpinella	Brisbane GC
108866	James	Wilkie	Brisbane GC
108867	Scott	Douglas	Brisbane GC
108868	Riley	Street	Brisbane GC
108890	Nicholas	Pembrey	Brisbane GC
108834	Brett	Otto	Bundaberg CTC
108835	Christina	Sand-Otto	Bundaberg CTC
108803	Darrin	Lawler	Burnie CTC
108801	Robin	Hull	Caboolture CTC

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108802	Arthur	Farren-Price	Caboolture CTC
108863	Robert	Rudd	Caboolture CTC
108869	Richard	Swygart	Caboolture CTC
108916	Darren	Turner	Caboolture CTC
108917	Wade	Wiemers	Caboolture CTC
108918	Sean	Kinsey	Caboolture CTC
108919	Jack	Kinsey	Caboolture CTC
108920	Garry	Herbert	Caboolture CTC
108921	Joel	Herbert	Caboolture CTC
108922	Davina	Herbert	Caboolture CTC
108923	Carl	Miller	Caboolture CTC
108924	Michelle	Reynolds	Caboolture CTC
108925	Lachlan	Tomkins	Caboolture CTC
108926	Jack	McMullin	Caboolture CTC
108927	Harry	McMullin	Caboolture CTC

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108928	Geoffrey	McMullin	Caboolture CTC
108929	Stephen	Jones	Caboolture CTC
108930	Mike	Ryan	Caboolture CTC
108845	John	Dias	Canberra International CTC
108883	Brandon	Tilbee	Carnarvon Districts Sports Assoc Inc.
108804	Hayley	Shannon	Castlemaine GC
108805	Cayden	Shannon	Castlemaine GC
108806	Brenton	Shannon	Castlemaine GC
70946	Aaron	Eagle	Cecil Park CTC
108823	Peter	Palmano	Cecil Park CTC
108824	Lisa	Hall	Cecil Park CTC
108931	Timothy	Diggins	Cecil Park CTC
108938	Glen	Muller	Cecil Park CTC
108833	Adrian	Pope	Cloncurry GC
70458	Wayne	Kerr	Corowa CTC
108789	Robert	Peterson	Cowra GC
108898	Lorraine	Cearley	Cressy GC
69022	Richard	Baschiera	Darwin CTC

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66354	Matthew	Whitlock	Downside CTC	108850	Kane	Foley	Melbourne GC	108937	Brenda	Murphy	Swan Hill CTC
108825	Kirstin	Johnson	Downside CTC	108827	Guisepp	Gulino	Metropolitan CTC	108782	Md	Kabir	Sydney CTC
108893	Tyrone	Drew	Euroa CTC	108840	Giglio	Petrolo	Metropolitan CTC	108791	Jeremy	Schoefer	Sydney CTC
108862	Darren	Foster	Frankston Australian CTC	108841	Alfonso	Luvera	Metropolitan CTC	108792	Joel	Richards	Sydney CTC
108865	Rex	Asker	Frankston Australian CTC	108842	Matthew	Elliott	Metropolitan CTC	108793	Peter	Chryssovionis	Sydney CTC
62142	Carol	Stibbard	Glen Innes CTC	108843	Jack	Crawford	Metropolitan CTC	108826	William	Donnelley	Sydney CTC
108878	Graeme	Quinn	Glen Innes CTC	108873	Mirdash	Sulce	Metropolitan CTC	108856	Adrian	Makary	Sydney CTC
71662	Injae	Park	Gold Coast CTC	108880	Inderpal	Singh	Metropolitan CTC	108780	Fletcher	Pennell	Tamworth CTC
73351	Timothy	Cook	Gold Coast CTC	108881	Maurizio	Attili	Metropolitan CTC	108811	Justin	Campbell	Tamworth CTC
108787	Roberto	Ridolfi	Gold Coast CTC	108882	Simon	Attili	Metropolitan CTC	108812	Keith	Judge	Tamworth CTC
108821	Dayne	Plum	Gold Coast CTC	108891	Adam	Esposito	Metropolitan CTC	108813	Archie	Davidson	Tamworth CTC
108822	Brodie	Green	Gold Coast CTC	108902	Bernadette	Peters	Monarto CTC	108814	Jack	Wiseman	Tamworth CTC
108912	Luke	Hawkins	Gold Coast CTC	108815	Caleb	Govan	Mornington CTC	108876	David	Newman	Tamworth CTC
108913	Samuel	Rankin	Gold Coast CTC	108837	John	Sanderson	Mornington CTC	61024	Colin	Clare	The Broken Hill GC
108914	Blake	Leonard	Gold Coast CTC	108884	Joshua	Adams	Mornington CTC	61025	Trent	Clare	The Broken Hill GC
108915	Jason	Leth	Gold Coast CTC	108885	Clinton	Adams	Mornington CTC	108783	Ivan	Bakich	The Forest CTC
108794	Wayne	Whitfield	Goulburn CTC	108910	Fredrick	Siciliano	Mornington CTC	108852	David	Bosman	Toowoomba CTC
108797	Riley	Acton	Guyra GC	108911	Tomas	Kordos	Mornington CTC	108853	Lionel	Stephanoff	Toowoomba CTC
108932	Evan	Hunt	Hamilton CTC	108875	Michael	Nelson	Mt Bogong CTC	108857	Kane	Davis	Toowoomba CTC
49037	Christopher	Kenny	Hobart CTC	108935	Anthony	Quantrill	Mt Lindesay CTC	108858	Dion	Davis	Toowoomba CTC
108899	Gabriel	Lawry	Hobart CTC	108808	Maxwell	Fahey	Nepean CTC	108859	Tyler	Morris	Toowoomba CTC
108779	John	Crowe	International CTC	108851	Summer	Dixon-Elst	Nepean CTC	108860	John	Haenke	Toowoomba CTC
76468	David	Morgan	Junee CTC	108879	Francis	Callanan	New South Wales GC	108905	Ryan	Smillie	Top End GC
44770	Geoffrey	Edwards	Kempsey CTC	108832	Claudia	Padbury	Newman CTC	108906	Nathan	Ahern	Top End GC
108892	Ross	Duck	Kempsey CTC	108904	Harry	Payne	Noorat GC	108901	Raymond	Chappell	Townsville GC
108844	Paul	Mason	Kerang CTC	108861	Kade	Ryan	Normanton GC	62291	Kerry	White	Tumut CTC
108816	John	Harrison	Kingaroy CTC	108886	Marshall	Lovegrove	Orange CTC	108854	Dale	Smith	Tyagarah CTC
108933	Tim	Jennings	Korumburra GC	108887	Don	Lovegrove	Orange CTC	108831	Sam	Gardiner	Tyendarra GC
108934	Darren	Jepsen	Korumburra GC	108940	Samuel	Scott	Patchewollock GC	108790	Victoria	Watson	Walmer GC
108785	Christopher	Bowyer	Majura Park GC	108936	Connor	Mayson	Richmond River GC	108877	Bart	Stevens	Wandoan GC
108818	Basile	Tzotsikas	Marconi CTC	108939	Alex	Matschoss	Rockhampton CTC	108786	Mark	Peach	Warwick CTC
108819	Dennis	Gousetis	Marconi CTC	72480	Patrick	Porter	Roma CTC	108810	Ben	Ruhle	Warwick CTC
108820	Nick	Korbakis	Marconi CTC	108828	Sally	Graham	Roma CTC	108781	Luke	Melisi	Werribee Victorian CTC
108888	Daniel	Kariz	Marconi CTC	108796	Bryan	Thomson	Sebastopol GC	108788	Darren	Hope	Werribee Victorian CTC
108889	Michael	Venables	Marconi CTC	108900	Nathan	Atfield	Shoalhaven CTC	108817	Ayden	Sammur	Werribee Victorian CTC
108894	Nafia	Ahmad	Marconi CTC	63353	Richard	Hosie	Singleton CTC	108829	Fergus	Connon	Werribee Victorian CTC
108895	Noah	Elabed	Marconi CTC	108836	Tim	MacKinlay	Southern Yorke Pen. GC	108830	John	McIllree	Werribee Victorian CTC
108896	Michael	James	Marconi CTC	108807	Jackson	Clarke	Swan Hill CTC	108855	Jack	Patterson	Werribee Victorian CTC
108897	Emam	Malas	Marconi CTC	108903	Rowan	Murphy	Swan Hill CTC	108871	Bronte	Tonkin	Whyalla GC
108838	Simon	Paterson	Maryborough CTC					108870	Stephen	Jones	Wonthaggi GC
108839	Nicholas	Stewart	Maryborough CTC					108864	Paul	Richardson	Yamba CTC
108846	Sarah	Caldwell	Melbourne GC					108874	Justin	Coates	Yass CTC
108847	Ian	Hawkey	Melbourne GC								
108848	Barry	Porter	Melbourne GC								
108849	Matthew	Foley	Melbourne GC								



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**2020 ANNUAL REGISTRATION & CLUB**  
**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**  
 To be handed to the Club Secretary with your Handicap Card



Membership Number <b>(compulsory)</b>		Shooters Licence Number	
Surname <b>(compulsory)</b>		Given Name <b>(compulsory)</b>	
Address <b>(compulsory)</b>			
Email <b>(compulsory)</b>		Post Code	
Telephone Number <b>(compulsory)</b>		Date of Birth <b>(compulsory)</b>	/ /

**My existing or last recorded shooting details are:**

Common Mark		Ball Trap Grade		Tower	
D.T.L Handicap		ISSF Trap Grade		Sporting Grade	
Skeet Grade		ISSF Skeet Grade			
Skeet Handicap		Double Trap			

I hereby apply for membership of the \_\_\_\_\_ Club

**Please tick one.** As a  continuing, or  new member, together with my application for A.C.T.A. registration for the year ending 31st December, 2020.  I have previously been a registered member with the A.C.T.A.

<b>Type of Membership: (Membership includes Insurance)</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Club Membership		\$
<input type="checkbox"/> State/zone affiliations if applicable		\$
<input type="checkbox"/> A.C.T.A. Full Membership	\$120.00	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Partner (spouse) of a Full Member of common address	\$84.00	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Veteran ( <b>Eligible to apply for Pension/65 years at 31/12/19</b> )	\$84.00	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Concession/Loyalty (30 continuous years adult membership)	\$84.00	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Junior Membership ( <b>Under the age of 18 at 31/12/19</b> )	\$40.00	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> New Start Member (For one year only to shoot competitively at home club only)	\$84.00	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Recreational Member (Shoot targets ONLY and practice at any ACTA club)	\$60.00	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> Levy (applies to All new members & <b>those who are rejoining after 5 years except Juniors</b> )	\$10.00	\$
Failure to provide all information will see your application declined and returned	<b>Total</b>	\$

The A.C.T.A. protects the privacy and security of information provided by you. By completing this form, you agree to the use of your personal information by A.C.T.A: to process your registration details; to disclose to Clubs affiliated with A.C.T.A. for regulated events; and for internal purposes and other opportunities presented from time to time.

I undertake to abide by the Rules and By laws of the above mentioned Club, my State Association and the Australian Clay Target Association and I advise that I conform with my state of residence Firearm Regulations and shall notify my club immediately upon non renewal, cancellation or suspension of my shooters licence.

Signature		Date	/ /
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**THIS ACCOUNT IS TO BE PROCESSED BY YOUR CLUB – THE FORM WHEN COMPLETED IS TO BE RETAINED BY THE CLUB**



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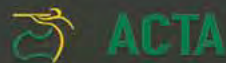
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