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1st place Individual Senior**

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The 2026 World FITASC World Compak Titles were held in San Torino, Italy.

Australia had success with Michael Lucas placing first in the Seniors category.

The Senior Team of Michael, John Younger and Peter Tobin also claimed first place.

Congratulations Michael, John and Peter.

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ACTA CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Michael Kruger-Davis – Chairman

World Compak Wins

Congratulations to all the Australian Clay Target Association members who attended the 22nd World Compak Championships in San Martino, Italy. The Australian contingent performed to a very high standard, but special mention and congratulations need to go to Michael Lucas, who placed first in the senior's section. Great effort becoming the Senior Compak World Champion for 2026. The Senior Team, Michael Lucas, Peter Tobin and John Younger, shot consistently over the competition to achieve first place. This is only the second ACTA contingent to the Compak World Championships, and we are already showing we are a force to be reckoned with. Team selection for the 23rd FITASC World Championships in 2027 will be conducted at the Sporting Nationals in Wagga Wagga between 16–20 October 2026. There will also be an English Sporting team selected over the English Sporting event.

Major Events Over Spring

Whether you are chasing a State or National title, Hall of Fame points, or just enjoy your shooting and catching up with old and new friends, it is a busy time, shoot wise over spring.

- QCTA State Skeet Championships are being held in Blackwater CTC 17–20 September.
- WACTA State Trap carnival 25–28 September being held at Eastern Goldfields CTC
- NSWCTA State Trap Carnival at the ACTA National Ground 2–5 October
- ACTA Sporting Nationals at the National Ground 14-15 October for the English Sporting, 16–17 for the ACTA Compak Nationals and 19–20 for the FITASC Grand Prix.
- WACTA State Skeet Championships 16–18 October at WAGC.
- TCTA State Skeet Championships at the Tasmanian Gun Club on 24–25 October.
- SACTA State Skeet Championships will be held at International Gun Club, Adelaide between 5–7 November.
- VCTA will be hosting the Commonwealth Trap

Carnival at Echuca CTC from 9–12 November followed immediately with the VCTA State Trap Carnival from the 12–15 November.

Membership Figures for 2026

I read an interesting comment on a Facebook post recently referring to the “falling membership of the ACTA.” I was surprised by this comment, because for the first time in our history our membership figures topped 15,000 during 2026. Even with the current high cost of living, ammunition and fuel, we have seen participation rates increase at the 2026 Skeet and 2025 Sporting National Championships to the highest levels ever recorded. Unfortunately, the fuel crisis in April this year may have impacted on the DTL National numbers but in the main the number of members is steadily increasing, even if participation in some major competitions or individual clubs, are not reflecting this trend. The August figures are represented here:

Category	2025 total	August 2025	August 2026	Difference
Full member	7403	7276	7920	+644
Partner	560	557	604	+47
Junior	872	847	950	+103
Veteran	2997	2982	3276	+294
Recreational	2351	2308	2522	+214
Compak	103	93	151	+58
TOTAL	14286	14063	15423	+1360
New members	2466	2323	2696	+373
Life members	17	17	19	+2

The current State breakdown:

State	Shooters	National Percentage
NSW	4371	28.34%
QLD	4332	28.09%
VIC	3750	24.31%
WA	1486	9.63%
SA	899	5.83%
TAS	385	2.50%
NT	200	1.30%

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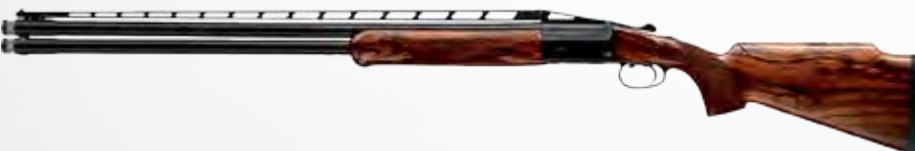
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FROM THE DESK OF THE EO

Les Kadziela – Executive Officer

Prohibition on the use of dispersers — FITASC and ACTA competition

The ACTA is advising on the use of dispersers cartridges/shells in competition, following a number of enquiries.

FITASC position

The FITASC rules for Compak Sporting expressly prohibit the use of dispersers. The prohibition is not limited to Compak Sporting — the same restriction applies across the FITASC disciplines, including Sporting (Parcours de Chasse), UT, etc.

For clarity, a "disperser" is any device or loading intended to spread or otherwise alter the shot pattern beyond what the chosen choke produces. This includes:

- any dispersal or spreader device fitted to, or inserted into, the firearm;
- cartridges containing a spreader insert, cross-piece, or similar dispersal component;
- duplex loads or any other unusual loading device.

The FITASC ammunition requirements also remain in force: a maximum shot load of 28 grams, spherical shot of 2.0 to 2.5 mm, no mixing of shot of differing size or grade, no reloaded cartridges, and no black powder or tracer cartridges.

Under the FITASC rules, the jury and referees may inspect firearms and ammunition, and shots fired with non-compliant equipment or ammunition may be scored as lost. Continued or deliberate use may result in disqualification.

ACTA position for other disciplines

Dispersers are not specifically mentioned in the rules for a number of ACTA disciplines. To remove any doubt: they are not permitted in any ACTA-registered competition. The intent of our rules has always been that competitors shoot standard, unmodified firearms and commercially loaded ammunition or self-loaded cartridges that meet commercial standards, and that no competitor gains an advantage through equipment

falling outside the accepted standard. Permitting dispersers in one discipline while they are banned in another would be inconsistent, difficult to police, and out of step with international practice.

Non-Members – Not Allowed to Shoot at ACTA Competitions

The ACTA Board reviewed the situation where shooters coming to try or have yet to become a member of the ACTA (excluding lapsed members), are allowed to shoot with or as part of a competition for clays only. It has come to the attention of the ACTA that some clubs are allowing this and even lapsed members.

The Board has decided to reaffirm the policy as defined in the Secretaires Handbook that non-members are not to shoot during an ACTA competition event.

The Policy states under 5.1:

The Association shall keep a register of shooters and no person may enter or compete at an Association competition, event, or at any competition or event conducted by a Member State or Member Club appointed for that purpose, unless such person is registered with the Association as a registered shooter and is not in arrears with his or her registration fees.

Non-members may shoot at designated practice days (3 times only before they must register) and NOT under any circumstances at a club competition day.

Any person shooting at an ACTA affiliated Club or Ground must be either a current member of the ACTA or a genuine visitor. A genuine visitor may shoot at an ACTA member club however they must sign the visitor book.

The Board are reviewing some flexibility that would allow non-members to come and try during a competition day, but not in the competition. This could be before or after the competition or on another trap not used for competition.



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Open Team to be Selected to Attend World Titles in 2027 in UK.

OCTOBER 16 - 17, 2026 @ 8AM

Event 2 – 2026 ACTA National FITASC Compak Championship (200T)



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2026 ACTA NATIONAL FITASC COMPAK SPORTING CLAYS

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 1 All competitors must present their current shooting licence/permit to the events office before competition. **Failure to do so will incur a penalty loss of one target.**
- 2 Any shooter wanting to compete in the "2026 ACTA NATIONAL FITASC COMPAK Sporting Clays" must be a registered competitor of the ACTA for the financial year 2026, or a bonified International competitor.
- 3 Age classification in the year of competition: Junior category under 21yrs; Senior is a minimum of 56yrs; Veterans is a minimum of 66yrs; and Master is a minimum of 73yrs.
- 4 Entry is by pre-nomination only through MCMS (MyClubsMyScores). Squadding will be available Monday 12th October 2026.
- 5 Late nominations will be taken on the day for an additional charge of \$20 per event **but only if there are vacancies available. There is a cap of 288 shooters for all events.**
- 6 Competitors who advise their withdrawal from an event prior to commencing will be eligible for a refund less a \$10 administration fee. Competitors who withdraw after the commencement of an event will not be entitled to any refund for that event.
- 7 MCMS will automatically grade all entrants, in the case of insufficient data the decision will be made by the National MCMS Handicap Supervisor after the first 100 targets for English Sporting and 100 targets for the Compak events.
- 8 Squads of up to 6 competitors will shoot brackets of 25 targets per visit to the traps using the Squad method.
- 9 Shooters will be squadded as per ACTA rules and regulations.
- 10 Each shooter is to take enough cartridges to shoot at the 25 Targets per layout.
- 11 Shooters who miss their squad may be re-squadded towards the end of the event, but this is not guaranteed and non-participation is possible. **If a shooter is able to be re-squadded a penalty loss of one target will apply to that event.**
- 12 Should a shooter be late for his/her squad and elect to withdraw from the event they will not be eligible for any refund. It is the shooters responsibility to make sure they are where they should be and when.
- 13 Competitors will be required to referee/score during the period of competition. The persons designated to referee/score must fulfill their obligation to do so. While replacement referees and scorers are permissible, if the replacement does not fulfil the obligation, **the penalty of a loss of one target for failing to officiate will be made against the officially designated person.**
- 14 **Any unauthorized shooter interfering with or attempting to interfere with the trap will be penalized five targets for that event.**
- 15 All appeals must be lodged in writing with the tournament director together with a \$50 appeal fee. The Tournament director shall arrange a jury hearing and should the appeal be upheld the fee will be returned.
- 16 Spreader Cartridges are illegal and cannot be used. These are cartridges that contain an insert that assists in spreading the shot.
- 17 Eligible competitors are entitled to receive awards in Open, Women, Junior, Seniors, Veterans or Masters section, however the overall winner cannot take any grade prize.
- 18 ACTA dress code is to be adhered to, Tournament Director is to adjudicate.
- 19 All competitors must comply with the Firearms Laws of the State hosting the National Championships.
- 20 Payment of the nomination only entitles the shooter to enter the event. Changes to the program including the number of targets shot will not entitle competitors to a refund.
- 21 Squadding details will be available on MCMS before and during the event. It is the shooters responsibility to monitor for changes.
- 22 A junior who has not previously competed at any ACTA National Championship in any discipline shall be entitled to shoot for the cost of the admin fee of \$10 per event. Claim for this concession can be made at the event or within 14 days of the completion of the event ie; by the 4th November 2026.
- 23 The setting of targets will be under the direction of the Shoot Marshal. No further adjustment will be made without authorization of the Tournament Director and Shoot Marshal.
- 24 All grades and sections will be shot off to completion.



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THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER:

Event 2: 50 Target Skeet Championship Start 9.00 am

FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER:

Event 3: 50 Target Single Barrel Championship Start 9.00 am

FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER:

Event 4: 50 Target Handicap

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER:

Event 5: 50 Target Double Barrel Championship Start 9.00 am

SATURDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER:

Event 6: 50 Target Points Score Championship

SUNDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER:

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2026 FITASC World Compak Titles *San Martino, Italy*



Australian team

FITASC has been running Compak World Title events for 22 years now. However this year was the first time Australia has fielded National Teams, thanks to the ACTA, selected from last year's ACTA Sporting Nationals at Wagga Wagga. Teams were selected for Open, Ladies, Seniors and Veterans. Next year, we expect to see Juniors also included.

Event Overview

Tiro A Volo San Martino hosted this year's Championships, a World-class club, well-versed in running large scale events, located in the Central Italian region of Marche, not far from the perhaps more widely known region of Tuscany and close to the Adriatic beach resort city of Rimini. The grounds were immaculate and colourfully set for a world class event with several dozen vendor stands on-site including all the major brands showcasing their products with gunsmiths on-site to service competitors' firearms, many of them relatively local of course, along with numerous eateries providing a wide range of foods and free flowing beverages – an absolute necessity in the sweltering Summer heat. Facilities were well maintained and regularly cleaned. Car parking was ample and easily accessible on foot, no buses or buggies required. Interestingly,

of their eight grounds, three are overlaid on Trench layouts, with five being purpose built for Compak, such is the popularity of the discipline in Europe.

Competition Format

FITASC Sporting shooters are familiar with Category A, B and C targets – C being the most difficult. The head of FITASC, Jean Francoise Palinkas, recently described Compak as having no Category C targets; that for top shooters, to miss one target would be bad, to miss two would be catastrophic. Compak is not simply a condensed version of Sporting. It is intended to be easier than Sporting, with big scores shot, however a Compak World Title event, set by skilled European target setters with years of experience, is far from 'Skeet in the woods'. Yes, many targets were relatively straight forward, and all were shot within the confined layout boundaries. But they were all doing



Australian team entering the Opening Ceremony

something, many with substantial pace. Diving overheads, midi trap birds, pairs that had you rushing to pick up the second – quite a few targets ended up being shot only inches above the deck. The only two Rabbits thrown, both on the same parcours, were perhaps the only two targets that held a straight line – so long as they didn't bounce. Not a single target stalled and gently flopped onto the ground. They all arced with varying degrees of edge such that even the slower paced birds met the ground in a hurry. Combined into Simultaneous pairs and even in some of the Report pairs, targets were anything but 'Skeet in the woods'.

One very interesting aspect of this event was the format. Some commented that it wasn't true Compak, as it was not shot in a six man squad with one shooter waiting out of turn, like a trap rotation.



Opening Ceremony

With a record entry of 832 competitors and over 300 hundred on the waiting list, it simply wasn't possible to put everybody through in a squadded format, even though shooting went from 8am to 7pm every day. Simultaneously and according to your published start times, across eight grounds, the In-Line format had shooters queued up at pad 1, shooting through their menus, exiting in turn at pad 5 – done. It was smooth and efficient. Comments were also made that it was exceptionally fair, as everyone started on the same birds, no-one was faced with having to deal with a more difficult target to start with than another. It worked, and largely ran like clockwork. It was a little unusual to occasionally be stopped halfway through a round to refill traps, but with no squads, it was the only way to do it. Every ground had six traps, signed "A" through "F",



Compak is intended to be a battle of concentration, more akin to Trap and Skeet than traditional Sporting. And shooting it is very much that way – there is no option to view sighters from the pad, think about them, shoot the pad and then regroup while socialising before shooting the next station. Compak is relentless and paying attention to the menus and flight lines means you get very little respite between targets. A new shooter entered the layout every three minutes, as the last one departed.

It must be said that every ground was shootable, every target was there to be hit, multiple possibilities were shot on every layout. But doing so was certainly the trick. The birds were masterfully set to find a weakness – misreading a change in flight line or target speed, move the gun too slowly, move the gun too fast, not look for the second bird quick enough or in the right place – you simply had to pay attention, to every bird, every time. Mistakes were typically not forgiven or very often recoverable. But half choke and 8's were ample for every target. Compak is close, but not so close that I felt comfortable opening the chokes right up. Several needed some serious respect.

The grounds themselves were a mixture of overlaid trap grounds, along with several other permanent grounds that were clearly purpose built only for Compak. It's a very strong and popular discipline in Europe. All grounds had raised earth berms to the sides and rear, which were put to good use with traps on top of several. A number of towers were also in play. Additionally the Benelli ground



Grounds map

All targets were launched using Multi-Pull voice release systems, a light coming on below the microphone at each shooter's turn. Interestingly, all targets had what I believe was a one second delay. Individual shooting styles varied immensely of course, but with an optional gun mount in Compak, once you adjusted to the timing and incorporated it into your mount, the momentum of calling and mounting at near to the same time was useful on some of the quicker targets, even the trap birds.

Layout 1 – Eurotarget – 3 Singles and a Simultaneous pair on each pad. Some very quick birds, and even quicker movements between the targets in the sim pairs. Many targets here were shot only inches above the ground. Raised traps to the



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Ground 2 – Mattarelli

sides and one from behind, five of the six targets dove hard into the centre of the layout.

Layout 2 – Mattarelli – 3 Singles and a Report pair on each pad – the quick/slow combo crossers were ones to look out for here, and I for one was suckered by the target setter, over-leading the slower report bird in the pair.

Layout 3 – Beretta – 3 Singles and a Report pair. A canted low level trap bird from the left needed some respect, and again an overhead went for ground in a hurry, this time from on top of the layout rather than from behind, so even quicker than the last. Every layout was covered, and this was certainly appreciated by the shooters as the Sun was brutal. (Unless you copped the thunderstorm and drenching on the Friday afternoon of Day 2.)

Layout 4 – Blaser – 3 Singles and a Report pair once again. The canted low level trap bird featured



Ground 5 – Benelli

again, except this time it was a midi, lower, and faster, and just plain mean. Still shootable, when you could see it. Early morning squads and a low Sun in the face made this one challenging.

Layout 5 – Benelli – 3 Singles and a Report pair, all shot from the raised gantry. Curling quartering birds from below the raised area, left and right were memorable here, interesting angles developing as you progressed across the layout. The large and growing target debris piles were very useful throughout the competition, for double checking target angles and flight lines as you moved from one station to the next. Quick adjustments were required and these certainly helped.

Layout 6 – De.La.Ro – 3 Singles and a Report pair. Solid targets. Good birds with good pace and crossers showing face at distance. Everything doing something, dropping curls at kill points inviting



Ground 3 – Beretta



Ground 6 – De.La.Ro.



Ground 4 – Blaser



Ground 8 – B&P

lazy shots to go over the top. Very shootable, and as with every layout, simply requiring focus and concentration.

Layout 7 – Fiocchi – 1 Single and 2 Simultaneous pairs. The range that broke many. Adding to the difficulty here was that two traps from the left were very close together, but with very different flight lines, one high, one low. Remembering which was which became part of the challenge. A long quartering incomer and a fast low outgoer from the right delivered quite a varied mix of targets, and again some pairs meant the second bird was being shot right at the very end of its flight line, just above ground level. The referees who by and large did a fantastic job, were kept on their toes here.

Layout 8 – B&P – 1 single and 2 Report pairs. A fast rabbit from the left, a slower rabbit from the right, and a very quick quartering outgoer from the right were the feature birds here. Changes in pace and shot timing were being tested by the target setter here. Again everything was very shootable, if you executed correctly. With so many pairs, if you got anything wrong, you paid for it.

Team Performances

For several members of the Team this was their first overseas competition experience. What memories they've made. All Team members should be rightfully proud of how they acquitted themselves in the testing circumstances. From simply being

nervous, to handling the extreme Summer conditions, remembering shooting schedules, and in one unfortunate instance having to deal with an overzealous referee, everyone contributed, fought hard, and I've no doubt, learned a lot. Compak is not a discipline we, yet, shoot on a regular basis in Australia. The Teams and individuals we were up against shoot it routinely and have done for years. I believe the Team results were very good, got better as we went, and created a fantastic baseline for us to excel across the board in future.

After having made our individual ways into and around Italy, some sight-seeing, attending practice sessions at the grounds ahead of the competition, others entering nearby warm up competitions at what I believe were even more impressively beautiful shooting grounds, all Team members gathered for the opening ceremony on the Wednesday afternoon, in 40c temperatures! Even by Australian measures, it was hot! Most competition days were 35-38 degrees.

(A note to those concerned – many other countries' uniforms consisted of an embroidered or printed polo shirt and long pants. Given most World Title events occur in the Northern Hemisphere Summer, it was unanimously agreed that despite looking sharp, the woollen jackets and winter attire we were dressed in, may have been slightly out of place, not to mention more than a little uncomfortable. Just something to consider for future events.)



Open Team, Chris Brown, Xavier Russell, James Saliba Jnr, Nate Palubiski



Ladies Team, Aimee Attwood, Georgia Rogers, Jessica Gawel



Seniors Team, Michael Lucas, John Younger, Peter Tobin

The chairs organisers provided for the competitors to sit on during the opening speeches, which is unusual at such events, were very much appreciated.

And so it began, Day 1 of the World Championships. Everyone made it to their correct grounds at the right times, came to terms with the conditions, the competition format, and their nerves. Solid Team scores were returned by all Team members and we all landed in Team positions that remained largely unchanged for the duration of the competition, which given the ebbs and flows of ground and start time variations, spoke very highly of every Team member's resolve and determination.

The Open Team of Chris Brown, Xavier Russel and James Saliba were running in 13th place at the end of Day 1, in a field of 24 teams, from the World's best, in a format with a different mindset, that we only rarely shoot. Chris and Xavier are amongst our very best Sporting shooters, each delivering 189/200 by the end of Day 4. Competing at this level, against far more experienced teams, was never going to be an easy task. Finishing 15th out of 24 teams, their mid-field placing was far from a failure. Overall we had 5 of our shooters in the top 100. Taking the top 3 would still have placed us no better than 5th. We had only 1 shooter break more than 190. The top 3 teams had every member at 190 or above. We're not there yet, but we're close and within reach.

The Ladies started in 9th place and held this position to the end. Between first time Team appearances, nerves, and an over-zealous referee that was going to prevent Jessica Gawel from shooting a whole layout due to a shorts hemline (other women were wearing far shorter shorts without consequence) – requiring another referee to step in and over-rule the decision then help calm an understandably upset Jess – the Ladies collectively did a remarkable job. Aimee Attwood quickly found her stride shooting 47/50 on Day 2, and Georgia Rogers remained consistent



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Veterans Team, Robert Passarin, Tony Connell, Robert Davis

throughout, never shooting less than a 20. Most notably, from the halfway mark to the end, every single one of them continued to improve their individual placings. They all fought hard to the end. Very well done Ladies.

An interesting side note – both the Open and Ladies Teams finished 31 targets shy of 3rd place. Across 600 targets and 24 rounds, that's less than 1.3 birds per round. Given the skill levels in both Teams, I'm sure the experiences gained here will spur them on in future to bridge that small gap. Targets missed were not often missed by much.

Our Veterans Team similarly held their opening position for most of the shoot in a credible 4th place. Again a mixture of first time appearances, nerves and the extreme weather conditions played an exhausting part. Due to the in-line format it was not possible to rejoin a squad, or lose only 1 stand's worth of targets, 5 birds. A missed start time resulted in the entire layout's score being wiped. Unfortunately due to a mix up in the very complex scheduling, more on that in a moment, Robert Passarin lost his scores from two layouts, 50 birds. The silver lining, putting that into some perspective, was that even had Rob shot both layouts perfectly, a full 50/50, it would still not have been enough to affect the podium as the Vet's finished 59 targets short of 3rd place. Robert Davis and Tony Connell both played their part, Tony credibly shooting a possible on the raised Benelli layout.

The ground rotations and start times were obviously computer generated, and changed dramatically daily. Some squads flowed consecutively in a forward manner – ground 1, then ground 2, etc. Whilst others flowed counter consecutively – ground 2,



Michael Lucas stands proudly in 1st place on the podium

then ground 1. My own sequence was 6, 5, 8, 7, 2, 1, 4, 3. Shooters were all numbered consecutively, but one day you may be following shooter number 159, the next day 617. Confusing for some, missing a rotation start time had me more worried than missing a target.

And then there were the Seniors, a couple of old Sporting warhorses with a steely and only slightly younger stallion amongst them. Day 1 had us in 2nd place with Michael Lucas shooting 48/50 and Peter Tobin 49/50. John Younger has a slightly worse start on 43, which he was never going to be happy with. Day 2 saw Johnny shoot the 50 straight whilst Michael maintained pace with a 47 and Tobin a lesser 44. Collectively however, it was enough to push us into 1st place, by 9 targets. Day 3 saw Michael shoot another brace of 24's, John and Peter both with 49's. The first place margin had now leapt to 21 targets and at this point, barring a complete collapse, it was only a matter of which colour the medals were going to be, with a particular hue looking likely. In fact, a 1,2,3 finish individually was also well within reach. Day 4 dawned with John and Peter shooting a 23 and



Peter Tobin, President of FITASC Jean Francois Palinkas , John Younger

22 respectively, less than we would have liked, but still producing very safe and solid Team scores. Michael cruised to yet another 24. John then came in with another 23 to finish and I jagged a 24 in company with Michael. At this point we knew we had won the Team Golds, couldn't be caught. But the individual placings were still in the balance. John and I both finished on the same scores, respectable 188/200's, and were sitting tied in 2nd place individually. A gentle jibe was passed Michael's way about getting it together to finally post a red one (a possible), then leaving him to get the competitive juices going, which he proceeded to do in style, shooting a red one to finish and securing the individual Gold with 192/200, two birds clear of his nearest rival. Simply sensational! Australia's newest World Champion – Michael Lucas!



Trophies were awarded to 6th place, and after all other competitors had come in, John was awarded the 6th place gong on count back, his three possibles to my two. Only four targets from Michael – we were oh so close to that 1,2,3 finish! Next time.

Reflections

Putting the Seniors Team win into perspective, the next four placings, 2nd through to 5th, were separated by only five targets. We had won the Golds by a margin of 24 from the home team, Italy. It was a flogging! One of the best Team wins I've been fortunate enough to be a part of. Well done Michael and John, very happy to have been there with you both, outstanding.

Several other Australians also attended to contest and be a part of the event, and they equally shared in the experiences we all went through. I'm sure they also loved it as much as we did.

Most notable, was Nate Palubiski, fresh from his FITASC Sporting Junior World Title win in Portugal only a month prior, and a decision was made for Nate to have a crack at the double, this being his last year as a Junior. I doubt any of us can imagine the position and pressures Nate was dealing with, as he ploughed on to deliver some very good scores and a total of 180/200. Congratulations Nate on an outstanding year, and look out Open shooters next year, he's only going to get better!

Congratulations to the entire Australian Team. Some great results, some even greater learnings for the future. Special congratulations to our new

World Champion, Michael Lucas. And another special congratulations, to the ACTA, for securing the Compak discipline rights, providing more opportunities for Australian clay target shooters, and delivering a winning result. Well done all.

Thanks FITASC, Italy and TAV San Martino, you were fantastic.

Use of Spreader Cartridges Prohibited Across all ACTA Disciplines

Report on US Manufacturers Spreader Ammunition

As recent as 2025, US ammunition manufacturers have been marketing shot shell ammunition for clay target shooting identified as 'Spreader' cartridges.



At the World Compak 2026 RIO Salso Italy, I briefly discussed my concerns with the FITASC President who in turn directed me to deliver a report on this subject. Here is my report with photographic evidence supporting my concerns.

The following manufacturers, Winchester and Fiocchi, are selling ammunition identified as Super Spreader or Power Spreader (see attached evidence).

This ammunition is available in 28gm and 32gm loads.

The FITASC Sporting and Compak rules forbid the use of spreaders



otherwise known as dispersant ammunition:

Sporting Rule:
Chapter 7.8
page 12.

Compak Rule:
Chapter 18.3
page 19.

The component in the cartridge comprises of a specialist plastic wad with a compartmental

insert in the form of a X; shot is segregated into 4 distinct compartments designed to have diverging shot columns. (See photograph).



Gamebore also market a cartridge as a spreader. However, this is a poor description as the component plastic wad is a short cup wad commonly referred to as a 'Piston'. This is not a spreader. I have

spoken with this US manufacturer and advised them they have used a poor description that could be problematic for competitors. (See photograph).

My advice is as follows:

1. The manufacturer concerned print on their cartons and amend their marketing that this ammunition type is not acceptable for FITASC disciplines.
2. NSCA makes it clear, to their members,

that this ammunition does not conform for FITASC disciplines and if used during FITASC tournaments, it will lead to disqualification.

3. The FITASC referees follow the current rules for checking ammunition (*Sporting rule 7.10 page 13*). Currently the competitors in the US offer cartridges to the referee this is not the correct protocol; competitors could pass acceptable ammunition then use ammunition larger than 28gm/1oz or other non-acceptable

ammunition (there is a precedent for this at 2024 World Sporting Wisconsin).

Identifying non-compliant ammunition in the US is difficult because the printing on the shot shell case is easily obliterated.

It is reported that this type of ammunition is worryingly also available in Australia.

*Hugh Smith,
President,
FITASC Referees Commission*

COMPAK RULE CLARIFICATION

Some time ago during a Compak shoot, I was asked to give a ruling on what the result score would be on a report pair of targets when the shooter inadvertently left cartridges out of both barrels of the gun.

My answer was "Lost on the first target, repeat the pair to determine the result of the second target". Further to this and after further discussion I also judged that had the shooter been shooting at a simulated pair the result would have been "Lost and Lost".

Taking the matter further Ray McFarlane became involved and resolved that the decision was correct, however Ray then decided to forward the question on to International FITASC Chief Referee Hugh Smith. The decision that was forwarded back to me via Ray McFarlane from Hugh Smith is below.

Ruling on what happens when a shooter fails to load his firearm

1 Single Target

If the shooter fails to load cartridges the score is lost target

If the shooter has failed to load the first barrel but has a cartridge in the second barrel and fires at the target, the score obtained is scored.

2 Double on Report

If the shooter fails to load cartridges in their gun, the referee calls first target lost, repeat double for a result on the second target.

3 Double simultaneous

If the shooter fails to put cartridges in their gun, both targets are scored lost.

*Jim Shepherd,
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- 3 THE LAWS ONLY RESTRICT LEGITIMATE FIREARM USE.**
They affect sporting competitors, farmers and recreational hunters while failing to address criminal misuse.
- 4 THE BUYBACK IS MISDIRECTED.**
It removes registered firearms from licensed owners, rather than addressing the terrorist threat that prompted these reforms.

WE CALL ON THE NSW GOVERNMENT TO:

- Repeal the firearms measures introduced by TOLA 2025.
- Conduct transparent, genuine consultation with the organisations represented here.
- Pursue proportionate, evidence-based reforms directed at actual risk.

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NSW State Compak Championship

Wagga Wagga CTC – August 15 & 16



Wagga Wagga Clay Target Club hosted the NSW State Compak Championship on August 15 and 16, with 89 competitors, representing 28

clubs, shooting 200 targets over the two days. Crisp mornings and ideal shooting conditions greeted competitors, providing an excellent setting for a weekend of high quality Compak competition.

The entry provided an interesting snapshot of the strength of Compak across the grades, with the 89 competitors comprising 18 AA, 39 A, 20 B and 12 C Grade shooters, together with six Ladies, 16 Veterans and four Juniors. Competitors had travelled from 28 clubs, while the field was also affected by the absence of several shooters who were overseas representing Australia at the World FITASC Championships.

A considerable amount of work went into preparing and conducting the Championship, with Robert Yeo, Jeremy Yeo, Dave Coleman, Brett McKee, Scott McKee, Brett Tingle, Janeene Kidd, Rick Mathers, Peter Chapman and Andrew Roach among the Wagga members acknowledged for their contribution to the weekend.

The layouts provided plenty of variety, with technical and curling targets mixed with several more exotic presentations. Changes of pace added another dimension, with targets that could be deceptive in flight and required competitors to remain focused throughout the 200 target program. It was another indication of the continuing development of Compak in Australia, with increasingly technical courses being matched by an improving standard of shooting.

Despite the closeness of many of the results, relatively few shoot-offs were required. At the head of the field, Bart Brighenti (Griffith GC) produced an excellent 188/200 to become the 2026 NSW State Compak Champion. Brighenti maintained his consistency across the two days to finish just one target ahead of the leading graded competitor.

With the Overall title removed from the graded



NSW State Compak Champion, Bart Brighenti



AA Grade, 1st Adam Shale, 2nd Steven Atkins

placings, AA Grade went to Adam Shale (Wangaratta) with 187/200, followed by Steven Atkins (Shoalhaven) on 185/200 and Daniel Baskerville (Sydney) with 182/200.

The A Grade competition was headed by Christopher Bourke (Mendooran) with a strong 180/200, while Chris Whyte (NLMCTC) claimed second on 178/200. Matthew Allitt (Deni CTC) and Paula Purvis (Mendooran) both completed the 200 targets on 176/200, with Allitt securing third after a shoot-off, finishing with a total of 194/225 after adding 18/25.

In B Grade, Robert Yeo (Wagga) led the way with 171/200, just one target clear of Michael Hackett (Majura Park) on 170/200. Rodney Carr (Dubbo) completed the B Grade placings with 169/200.

The C Grade contest was another close affair, with



A Grade, 2nd Chris Whyte, 1st Christopher Bourke, 3rd Matthew Allitt



B Grade, 3rd Rodney Carr, 1st Robert Yeo, 2nd Michael Hackett



Veterans winner, Robert Yeo



C Grade, 2nd Siefried Kubank, 1st Benji Brighenti, 3rd Darren Bertholini



State Compak Team

Robert Yeo, Finn McBurnie, Bart Brighenti, Paula Purvis, Steven Atkins



Zone Mixed Team, NSW Riverina Zone

Evan Spiers, Max Kavanagh, Dora Bettridge, Kelvyn Bettridge Finn McBurnie



*Club Team winners, Mendooran CTC
Paul Purvis, Chris Bourke, Henry Purvis*

Benji Brighenti (Griffith GC) taking first place on 158/200, narrowly ahead of clubmate Siefried Kubank with 157/200. Darren Bertholini (Shoalhaven) finished third on 148/200.

Section honours saw Finn McBurnie (Border CTC) produce an impressive 177/200 to take the Junior award, while Paula Purvis secured the Ladies title with 168/200. Robert Yeo added the Veteran title to his B Grade victory with his 171/200.

Compak Teams Match Results.

The 3-Person Open Zone Team, was an incredibly tight contest after a full 2 days of compak with NSW Southern Zone Clay Target Association and NSW Northern Zone Clay Target Assoc. both tied in second on 506/600 one point behind NSW Western Zone Clay Target on the winning score of 507/600. Congratulations Chris Bourke, Paula Purvis and Henry Purvis.

The Mixed Team was won by NSW Riverina Zone Clay Target after a strong performance on day 2 with Evan Spiers, Kelvyn Bettridge, Justin Badoco, Dora Bettridge, Finn McBurnie, and Max Kavanagh on 933/1200.

The winning Club Team was Mendooran Clay Target Club with Chris Bourke, Paula Purvis and Henry Purvis on 507/600. 2 points clear of Shoalhaven.

NSW Compak Team Selection

The Championship also selected the NSW team over the 200 targets, with those selected to represent New South Wales in the Bruce Hall Interstate Teams Match at the Compak Nationals at Wagga in October.

The Team was headed by State Champion Bart Brighenti 188/200, followed by Steven Atkins 185/200 and Daniel Baskerville 182/200. Finn McBurnie 177/200 was qualified as the Junior, Paula Purvis 168/200 as the Lady, and Robert Yeo 171/200 as the Veteran. Christopher Bourke qualified as the first Open reserve with 180/200, which would prove to be important with Daniel latter stepping down from the representative team Mendooran will now field two competitors in the mixed team, the only NSW club to do that this year.

With Wagga also hosting the National Compak Championships in October, the State



Open Zone Team, NSW Western Zone
Paul Purvis, Chris Bourke, Henry Purvis

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Gear needs to be taken from storage, set up, tested. The grounds have been attended to, the edging and mowing done in order to keep the tigers at bay. The office is geared up and ready to go, with everything loaded into MCMS. Come shoot day, everyone appreciates sitting down in a clean dining area – tables, chairs and floor all spotless. Lunch time rolls around and a selection of great food appears. When nature calls, being able to duck into well-maintained facilities is a welcome blessing. Yet none of this happens without willing hands to do the work.

Many clubs are held together by a small core of volunteers who are multi-tasking their way through long to-do lists. Each and every month!

On repeat. Ask any one of this band if you can help and they will gratefully assign a task for you to assist with. No one expects a newbie to be an expert. Just having a willingness to say, “Hey there. What can I do to help?” is enough to get you started.

Along the way there’s a chance you will learn and share new skills, make new friends, boost your self-confidence and form enduring community connections. Never underestimate the value of what you bring to the table!

Nationwide, those in the 40 – 54 year age bracket (31%) closely followed by those over 70 (28%) are most likely to volunteer. Nationally, the proportion of females who volunteer (26%) is slightly ahead of the number of males (23%). The majority of people who volunteer are most likely to give their time to a single type of organisation, with sports and recreation (31%) being the most popular. Just over 2 in 5 volunteers have been volunteering for more than 10 years.

Source <https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/australias-welfare/volunteers>

Nationally though, the trend is bleak. Volunteering took a sharp dip in 2020, due to COVID, and has failed to return to pre-pandemic levels ever since (Biddle et al 2022).

Everyone can give a little something to your local club, and as the old saying goes, many hands make light work. Today is the perfect time to start giving.

“Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart.”

Elizabeth Andrew

WHAT MEMBERS SEE....

THE FUN THINGS THAT ARE
HIGHLY VISIBLE TO MOST PEOPLE

- SHOOT COMPETITION
- PRACTICE
- FACILITIES

- CLUB FUNCTIONS
- GOOD TIMES

- Pre-shoot set up (mats out, speakers out, bins out)
- Trap filling
- Trap maintenance
- Mowing
- Gardening
- Whipper-snipping
- Equipment maintenance
- Pressure cleaning
- Weed spraying
- Grocery and bar shopping
- Food and meal preparation
- Cooking
- Washing up
- Mopping kitchen and bar
- Financial compliance
- Post-shoot pack up (clay pickups, mat and speakers away, bins in, range tidy up)
- Cleaning toilets and showers
- Rubbish out for council collection
- Cash for Cans exchange
- Grant writing
- Army liaison
- State and ACTA liaison
- Other entities liaison e.g. Council, State Government
- Coaching
- Bill paying
- Banking

- Chasing sponsors
- Updating permits
- License agreements
- Planning for the Annual
- General working bees
- Chasing ammo prices, ordering it (collecting and shelving)
- Professional development e.g. 1st aid, RSA, safe food handling
- Managing memberships
- Buying fuel
- General meetings
- Executive meetings
- Bookkeeping
- Planning for skill development eg. sorting coaching and renewal courses
- Performing 1st aid
- Raffles (tickets, prizes, running them)
- Writing policies and procedures
- MCMS shoot program
- Shoot day office and logistics
- Annual shoot program (us, the rifle club, the Army, Cycle Sports)
- Fielding phone calls
- Answering emails
- Maintaining social media, website, publications presence
- Building maintenance
- Fixing and maintaining services
- Documenting club history

A STRONG CLUB RUNS DEEP

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Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles

A 4th of July Ladies Day to Remember



Last year, we promised we'd come back bigger and better — and the Gladstone

Clay Target Club certainly delivered! Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles took Ladies Day to a whole new level, bringing together an incredible day of shooting, laughter, entertainment, friendship and good old-fashioned country fun.



On Saturday 4th of July 2026, Gladstone Clay Target Club traded its usual shooting-day atmosphere for a spectacular explosion of red, white and blue as Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles took over the club.

A fantastic crowd of 132 ladies, including plenty of first-time shooters, joined club members and volunteers for an unforgettable 4th of July-inspired Ladies Day.

Running from 11am until 10pm, the event combined clay target shooting with country fun, food, flowing drinks, live entertainment, prizes, laughter and more than a few surprises.

Cowboy hats, boots, denim, stars and stripes filled the grounds as the ladies arrived ready to get involved, try something new and enjoy a day unlike any ordinary shooting meet.

Adding to the excitement in the lead-up to the big day, we also ran a special competition, with one lucky winner scoring two tickets to Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles and the chance to join in all the fun!

Shooting First, Bubbles Later

Before the drinks began flowing, the ladies were invited onto the layouts for an optional five-target clay shoot.

For many, it was their first opportunity to get behind a shotgun and experience the thrill of breaking a clay.

Experienced club members were on hand to supervise, support and encourage the ladies, creating a safe, relaxed and welcoming introduction to the sport.

For some it was familiar territory; for others it was their very first time holding a shotgun. Either way, the cheers whenever a clay broke could be heard around the grounds.





Guests were welcomed with cheese platters before enjoying pizza for lunch and assorted tarts for dessert. The bar offered an extensive range of drinks with alcoholic and non-alcoholic options available. Once the shooting was finished, the bubbles began to



It was exactly what Ladies Day set out to achieve, introducing women to clay target shooting while showing that the sport can be welcoming, social and a whole lot of fun.

Red, White, Blue and Country Style

The 4th of July theme came alive across the club, with red, white and blue given a fabulous western twist.

Cowboy hats, denim, boots, stars, stripes and plenty of sparkle were everywhere. The ladies embraced the theme, arriving dressed to impress and ready to enjoy themselves.

flow and the party really got underway.

The Waiters Take Over

One of the biggest crowd favourites was undoubtedly the waiter auction.

Fifteen willing and good-looking guys from Gladstone Clay Target Club, our friends and family supporters swapped their usual shooting and work attire for red, white and blue and offered themselves up as table waiters for the ladies.

Tables battled it out to secure their favourite waiter, creating plenty of friendly bidding, laughter and banter.

Once purchased, the waiters were put straight to work collecting drinks and looking after their tables. They were fantastic sports and added another unforgettable element to the day.

25 target Shooting Demonstration

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off their skills and giving everyone a taste of clay target shooting at its best. The ladies loved watching the action unfold, cheering the shooters on and adding plenty of noise, laughs and excitement from the sidelines. It was another fantastic highlight that added to the atmosphere of the day.

Prizes and One Very Committed MC – Andrew Johnson from Bunker Ballistics

There was plenty to celebrate, with prizes for Best Dressed and Best Shooter, along with the much-anticipated lucky door prize.

Our Best Shooter proved she had a steady hand



and sharp eye, while another lucky lady walked away with the lucky door prize.

But Best Dressed came with an unexpected twist.

Our MC decided the ladies shouldn't have all the fun and slipped into a dress himself, strutting his stuff alongside the

contestants to the delight – and laughter – of the crowd.

And just when he thought his duties couldn't become any more interesting, he was auctioned off as one of the waiters!

He kept the day moving with energy, laughs and plenty of banter and was a fantastic sport from beginning to end.

At Ladies Day, apparently even the MC isn't safe!

Hold On Tight!

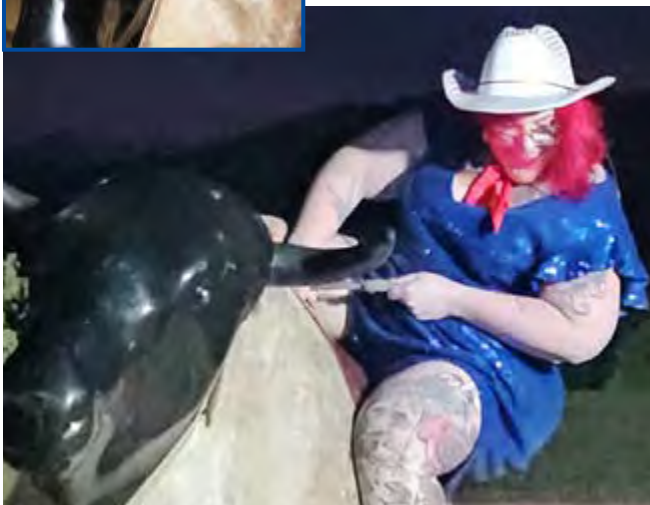
Then came the bull.

The mechanical bull provided entertainment for the brave ladies willing to climb aboard – and possibly even more entertainment for those watching from the sidelines.

Some riders showed surprising talent. Others provided some of the biggest laughs of the day.

Staying on was only half the challenge – getting off with your dignity intact was another matter entirely!

Nearby, the 360 camera gave everyone the chance to grab their friends, strike a pose and capture some fantastic memories.



Between the cowboy hats, boots, bubbles and big personalities, there was certainly no shortage of material for the camera.

Music, Dancing and a Brilliant Finish

Adding to the atmosphere were Tai, a Gladstone Clay Target Club member, and Jacinta a local musician, who treated the crowd to a fantastic mix of live music.

Their easy-going tunes provided the perfect

backdrop while the ladies enjoyed their food and drinks before the tempo picked up and familiar favourites had people singing along.

As evening settled in, Tai and Jacinta handed things over to our DJ Tui, who turned up the music and brought everyone onto the dance floor.

The ladies – along with plenty of club members – sang, laughed and danced the night away.

After a day of shooting, prizes, bull riding, entertainment and plenty of bubbles, it was the perfect finish. The dance floor was full, the atmosphere was fantastic and nobody seemed to want the music to stop.

Incredible Community Support

The raffle and prize tables were overflowing with prizes, hampers, vouchers and donated items thanks to the incredible generosity of local businesses, sponsors and supporters.

Every donation, whether large or small, helped make the event possible and supported Gladstone Clay Target Club.

To every business and individual who donated, sponsored or supported Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles – thank you. Events like this simply cannot happen without you.

The Vision Behind Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles

While everything came together beautifully on the day, what guests saw was the result of months of planning, organising and determination behind the scenes.

At the heart of it all was Gladstone Clay Target Club member and event organiser Naz Khan-Arumugam, whose original vision was to create a Ladies Day that would be much more than just another fund raiser for the club.







Naz wanted an event that would bring women through the gates, introduce them to clay target shooting in a fun and welcoming way, showcase the club and, at the same time, create a day the ladies would genuinely remember.

From that initial idea, Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles began to take shape.

Over the months leading up to the event, Naz worked tirelessly to bring all the pieces together – approaching and securing generous sponsors, sourcing raffle prizes and donations, co-ordinating food and drinks, organising entertainment and activities, developing the theme and decorations and keeping countless moving parts heading in the same direction.

Turning a simple idea into an event for 132 ladies was no small undertaking, and her enthusiasm, persistence and attention to detail were instrumental in making the day the success it became.

But Naz would also be the first to acknowledge that no organiser can deliver an event of this size alone.

When it was time to turn the vision into reality, Gladstone Clay Target Club members, family friends and volunteers rallied behind it to make it a successful event.

Members assisted the ladies on the shooting layouts, worked behind the bar and in the kitchen, sold raffle tickets, helped with set-up and clean-up and stepped in wherever they were needed. And, of



MC Andrew Johnson with event organiser
Naz Khan-Arumugam

course, 15 very good sports allowed themselves to be auctioned off as waiters!

It was a genuine team effort and a wonderful example of what can happen when an idea is backed by a club willing to get behind it.

The vision may have started

with Naz, but it took a whole club family to bring Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles to life.

More Than Just a Ladies Day

Behind the boots, bulls, bubbles and laughter was an important purpose.

Women who may never have considered walking onto a shooting range were able to experience clay target shooting surrounded by encouragement rather than pressure.

New faces came through the club gates, conversations about the sport began and ladies discovered just how exciting breaking that first clay can be.

For Gladstone Clay Target Club – and for Naz, who had hoped from the beginning that the event would help introduce more women to the sport – that was one of the day's greatest successes.

A few comments from attendees

Danielle Clampett – Thank you for hosting such a great day!

Jenna Angove – The ladies' day was amazing! Thank you for putting on such a great event.

Des Barber – Great roll up

Mandy Johannesen – Fantastic experience

Kimera Reddy – Definitely not your traditional ladies' day! Between clay target shooting, the DJ and non-stop entertainment, there was never a dull moment. We left with sore feet, questionable shooting scores and plenty of great memories!

Leslie Seminutin – My first ladies day and it did not disappoint. Naz is an amazing event planner. She took great care to look after us well. I had such a great day!

A 4th of July to Remember

From the first clay target to the last song of the night, Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles delivered exactly what it promised.

There were boots.

There was a bull.

There were plenty of babes.

And there were definitely bubbles.

But most importantly, there was friendship, laughter, community spirit and an incredible group of people coming together to support their local club.

The photographs may capture the cowboy hats,



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prizes, bull riding, dancing and smiles, but they tell only part of the story.

The real success was in the atmosphere – first-time shooters celebrating broken clays, tables battling for their favourite waiter, an MC strutting around in a dress, ladies laughing and dancing together, and club members pitching in wherever they were needed.

To every lady who purchased a ticket, every sponsor and business who generously supported the event, every club member and volunteer who gave their time and everyone who helped behind the scenes – thank you.

Adding even more excitement to the day, we were lucky enough to have Julian Laver, an auctioneer, travel from Rockhampton to join us. He certainly knew how to work the crowd, getting the ladies

laughing, bidding and caught up in the fun. His energy added another fantastic element to the atmosphere and helped make the day even more entertaining and memorable.

And a special acknowledgement to Naz Khan-Arumugam, whose idea, months of hard work and determination started the journey that became Boots, Bulls, Babes & Bubbles – a 4th of July Ladies Day to remember.

After a day like that, there is only one question left – how are we going to top it next year? And one thing is for certain . . . we're not done yet!

Until next time, dust off those boots, grab your besties and get ready to meet us back on top of the hill!

Gladstone Clay Target Club Committee

Vale Andrew Garth Aitchison

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ACTA Member: 60162



It is sad to report that Caboolture Clay Target Club has lost one of its long-standing members, Andrew Aitchison.

Andy first started target shooting in Bundaberg and joined the Bundaberg Clay Target Club back

in the 60's. After transferring down to the Morton Bay area he became a member of the now defunct Kallangur Gun Club.

Once again work took him to relocate on the Sunshine Coast and he joined the Sunshine Coast Clay Target Club, taking on the role as Club Treasurer for many years.

SSCCTC was closed down in 2007 and many members transferred to the Caboolture Clay Target Club where Andy became a member. Over the years he held positions such as Vice President and President, and was a current committee member/club member. He will be sorely missed.

Andy is survived by his wife of 52 years, and three children Kevin, Nikki and Brad.

Caboolture Club Committee and members would like to pass on their deepest condolences to his family and wish them well in what the future may bring.

Never forgotten, a best mate of 22 years.

Dave Milton

Matty Patmore wins back-to-back Cobar Golden Clay Championship

At the 49th Annual Golden Clay and NSW Junior Masters Championship and NSW State Night Points Score Championship shoot in August 2026, Matty Patmore won the coveted Overall Golden Clay Championship, for the second year running, and what a legend he is. Only one other person has done this. Such a feat in itself. Congratulations to Matty, who has been a sterling competitor both at home, regionally and nationally. Matty is understandably honoured and over the moon about this achievement. He swears he will be a contender for it again, next year, for a third time.



**Cobar Golden Clay
Overall High Gun,
Matty Patmore**





The Overall Golden Clay trophy, sponsored by Peak Gold Mines, this year again, was a 9ct solid gold miniature clay. The sponsorship of gold for this trophy is particularly appropriate by Peak Gold Mines and reflects the Peak's continued support to sporting organisations and community events in Cobar. Cobar Club President, Mr Bryan Manns, presented this prestigious award, on behalf of the Peak Gold Mine, to Matty whose score was 278/285.

The 49th annual event attracted a fabulous crowd, and it is plain to see that Cobar Club is renowned for its hospitality. There were shooters from all parts of the country, including Victoria, South Australia, Queensland, and Northern Territory being well represented too. All travelling long distances for the event. The sport of clay target shooting encourages family involvement which was evident with many families seen during the weekend either as spectators or participants. There was a variety of shoot-offs over all the events, which were fantastic to watch. The shooters all had to be on the clay, as everyone was putting in exceptional effort. It is great to see the experience and skills that people have, to just inspire you, I can do that.

Families from away, including Arthur, were there to run the show smoothly. Similarly, the Schiller family threw themselves into the spirit, and not to be left out was Janene in the office running the program this year, a big thank you. There was noticeable absentees from the weekend, but they had other commitments elsewhere. Also, some familiar faces weren't seen due to illness and more new babies.

All hands were on deck in the kitchen keeping everyone hydrated and well fed over the weekend, with some mouth-watering, belly filling, hot meals

for the cold nights and beautiful days. Dinner on Saturday night was the smoked meats, which were delicious and the scrumptious desserts were eagerly consumed by all, whilst the Calcutta auction simultaneously created extra excitement.

Friday afternoon started the weekend with an entertaining practice event to get the eyes in. A 25 target Points Score for the Western Zone Juniors for next year was eagerly competed for by 73 shooters. Congrats to Lucas Young for winning this event. Thank you to all our shooters that supported this, as it goes towards our Junior shooters participating in our chosen sporting field.

Friday night was the commencement of the weekend carnival, with the sponsor being Kevin Hatch Engineering, starting the proceedings with the 30 target NSW State Night Points Score event from 15m being contested without rain, and with night lights. The great conditions set the standard for our competitors, who showcased the skills required



Overall NSW Night Points Score
Matt Schiller



for the weekend. However, 87 shooters stepped up with the following competitors being successful. 1st C Grade, Raffale Toscan 138/150, with Luke Tapscott 2nd 126/150. 1st B Grade, Dick Tulloh 135/180 and 2nd Darcy Manns 133/150. 1st A Grade, David McMillan 147/150 and 2nd Alannah Jarvis 149/153. 1st AA Grade, Clint Goodwin 147/150, and equal 2nd was Mark Dutton and Tom Turner 147/150. Overall winner of the Night Points Score event was Matt Schiller 150/150.

The skies were clear and warm on Saturday morning which brought 142 shooters to the layouts and to commence Saturday and Sunday's Golden

Clay and NSW Junior Masters program.

The first event was a 30 target FWD Broughton Field Services Points Score Championship, with Helen Overton the Overall winner with 114/114. She had to fight for this one. 1st AA Grade was Bryan Manns 113/114, then 2nd was Lucas Young 102/105. 1st A Grade was



Overall Points Score
Helen Overton



1st A Grade Points Score
Chloe Evans

Chloe Evans 111/114, 2nd was Mark Dunn

88/90. 1st B Grade was David Polsen 85/90, 2nd was Peter Rees 81/90. 1st C Grade was Will Griffiths 83/90, with 2nd Luke Tapscott 82/90. Bullet Shooting Accessories sponsored awards for the Best Score by Junior, won by Kyriakos Kassianou 107/108, the Best Score by Lady won by Alannah Jarvis 84/90, the Best Score by Veteran won by Glen Castellaro 113/114.

Event 2, the 45 target FWD Cobar Shire Council Medley. Overall winner was Matty Patmore 75/75. 1st AA Grade with Matthew Stokes 122/125, and 2nd was Peter McDonald 117/125. 1st A Grade was Roger Duthie 71/75, and 2nd Gill Neziz 94/100. 1st B Grade Robert Carmichael 67/75, 2nd was



Junior Masters Points Score
Kyriakos Kassianou



Overall Medley
Matty Patmore



Overall Double Barrel
Matthew Stokes



Junior Masters Double Barrel
Harrison Young



Rees 56/57, 2nd was Darron Walker 38/39. 1st C Grade was Will Griffiths 45/46, and 2nd C Grade was Aaron Wyllie 30/31. The Schiller Family sponsored awards for Best Score by Junior won by Harrison Young 58/59, Best Score by Lady won by Helen

Overton 66/67, and Best Score by Veteran won by Phillip Headon 88/89.

Tony Polack 87/100. 1st C Grade was Robert Thomas 90/100, 2nd was Luke Tapscott 85/100. Doyles Electrical sponsored awards for the Best Score by Junior won by Kyriakos Kassianou 69/75, the Best Score by Lady won by Helen Overton 71/75, the Best Score by Veteran won by Wayne Dunbar 98/100.

42 shooters had possible scores in the final event on Saturday which was the 30 target FWD LGB Marine & Contracting Double Barrel Championship. Eventual Overall was Matthew Stokes 218/218, giving Matty Patmore 217/218 for 1st AA Grade, and Glen Castellaro 2nd on 196/197. 1st A Grade was Chloe Evans 63/64, 2nd was John Lawrence 46/47. 1st B Grade was Peter

Sunday morning promised another beautiful day, but some competitors were reluctant to face the bright morning sunshine, because of a great night and Calcutta event before!!! Slowly, a 30 target Single Barrel Championship, sponsored by Cobar Memorial Services Club commenced with 2

shooters making possible, and Ben Woodhouse emerged as Overall winner with 34/34. Matt Harland 1st AA Grade 33/34, and 2nd Peter Attard 57/58. 1st A Grade was Jarrod Barraclough 32/33, with 2nd Frank Seve 31/33. 1st B Grade was David Polsen 32/36, 2nd was Jose Nunes 31/36. 1st in C Grade was Bernie Seve



Overall Single Barrel
Ben Woodhouse

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*Junior Masters Single Barrel
Harrison Young*

which is also sponsored by the Hawkins Family in memory of Frosty Singleton who was instrumental in commencement of clay target shooting on Mafeesh Station in Cobar. This event carries a reward of the Mafeesh Cup with placings from 1st to 5th. Additional enthusiasm is generated throughout the weekend with a Calcutta being held in conjunction with this event. A total of 4 competitors shot a



*Handicap winner
David McMillan*

26/30, 2nd was Aaron Wyllie 28/33. Carters Transport sponsored awards for Best Score by Junior won by Harrison Young 28/33, Best Score by Lady won by Chloe Evans 29/30 and Best Score by Veteran won by George Depaoli 30/31.

The second event on Sunday was the 30 target Harmony CSA Mine Mafeesh Handicap,

possible score, who were then required to participate in the shoot-off until the final placements were achieved.

The shoot-off for 5th place was just as hair raising too. This was a nail biting event, with all 17 competitors showing skills and sportsmanship. Warren member and competitor, David McMillan was the eventual winner with a score of

46/46. David said he just lined up and shot them! Congratulations David. 2nd was Glen Castellaro 45/46, 3rd was Kevin Hatch 34/35, 4th was Matty Patmore 30/31 and 5th was Ricky Flaxman 46/47. This event also had a special award, sponsored by the Schiller Family, the Best 25 Metre Shooter, which was also won by Glen Castellaro 45/46.

The final event for the weekend was the 15 pair FWD Outwest Pest Control Double Rise Championship with Matt Schiller showing how it's done, on 30/30 for Overall winner. 1st AA Grade was Ben Woodhouse 39/40, 2nd was Craig Ceely 38/40. 1st A Grade was Joe Ellison 37/40, and 2nd was Kyriakos Kassianou 33/40. 1st B Grade was Chris Young 28/30, 2nd was Brad Kendrick 35/40. 1st C Grade was Lauren Wood 52/60, with 2nd Peter Lonergan 50/60. Level Electrical Wagga sponsored awards for Best Score by Junior won by Harrison Young 25/30, Best Score by Lady won by Helen Overton 26/30 and Best Score by Veteran won by Phillip Headon 37/40.



*Overall Double Rise
Matt Schiller*



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*Junior Masters Champion of Champions
Harrison Young*

Competition for the NSW Junior Masters Cups saw some close scores. Points Score Junior Masters, sponsored by Cobar Cranes, was won by Kyriakos Kassianou 107/108. Double Barrel Junior Masters, sponsored by Anni's Arts & Crafts, was won by Harrison Young 58/59. Single Barrel Junior Masters, sponsored by K Grogan, was won by Harrison Young 28/33. The Junior Masters



*Veteran High Gun
Phil Headon*



*Ladies High Gun
Helen Overton*

Champion of Champions, sponsored by Upper Western Livestock & Land, was won by Harrison Young 144/150. Well done Harrison. Everyone needs to keep their eyes on these juniors, as they are all exceptional ambassadors of our sport.

High Gun winners for the weekend were: Juniors, sponsored by the Nardi Family, Kyriakos Kassianou 267/285; Ladies, sponsored by the Taylor Family, Helen Overton

272/285; Veterans, sponsored by GE & L Jones, Phillip Headon 273/285; C Grade, sponsored by SCG Mechanical Pty Ltd, Will Griffiths 254/285; B Grade, sponsored by Inland Pest Management, David Polsen 251/285; A Grade, sponsored by AAA Ammo



25 metre shooter, Glen Castellaro, congratulated by Wayde Hawkins



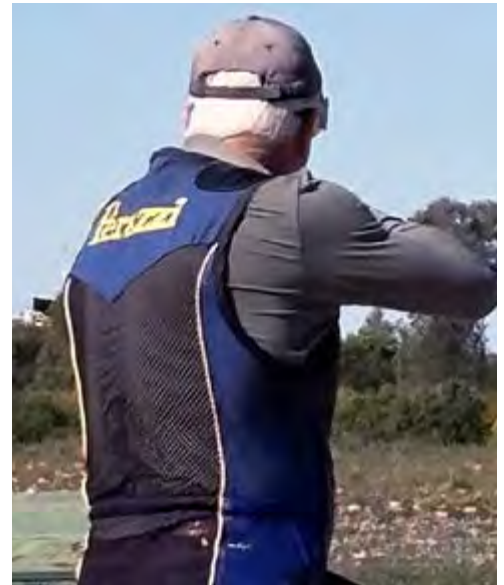
*AA Grade High Gun
Matthew Stokes*



Junior High Gun
Kyriakos Kassianou



B Grade High Gun
David Polsen



C Grade High Gun
Will Griffiths

& Arms, Chloe Evans 268/285; AA Grade, sponsored by Hydro Tech Solutions, Matthew Stokes 276/285. Overall High Gun, sponsored by Peak Gold Mine, went to Matty Patmore 278/285.

put on a wonderful event. Everyone had a great weekend, with friendships renewed and mates catching up, doing a sport we all love, which is what makes it such a huge success. Next year we hope to see you all again, to help us celebrate 50 years.

Cobar Clay Target Club would like to say thank you to all the shooters and their supporters for coming to Cobar, yet again, and supporting our annual event. We would also like to acknowledge all of our sponsors, who have helped to contribute and support us to





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Roamin' Around

Inaugural Club Carnival, a Festival and Bringing Back History

This article will not have a lot of results as Clubs seem reticent to follow through on promoting their Club Carnivals to the rest of Australia.

Katanning Clay Target Club 2 day DTL Carnival

In the lower central wheat belt region, Katanning Clay Target Club hosted its inaugural 2 day DTL Carnival over the weekend of 1st and 2nd August 2026 with 59 shooters in attendance. Once again members from across the State, parked their caravans on site and settled in for a good weekend of competition. Saturday morning started crisp with the local MP, Rick Wilson, not only opening the Carnival but also sponsoring some events, noting in his Opening speech that he is "proud to support and stand with our legal and licensed gun owners".

Winners over the weekend were Charley Waldberger (Carnival High Gun and Barry Kowald Events) (WAGC), Tegan Stanley (Ladies Carnival High Gun) (Denmark) and Cameron Browne



Katanning – Charley Waldberger

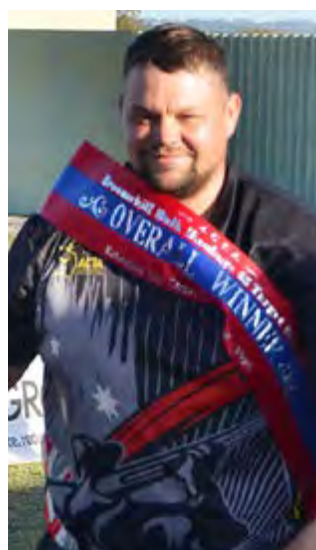


Katanning – Josh Fleay,
OA Peter Rundle MLA event

(Broomehill Bulk Overall) (Wagin). There were many others plus it was great to see the MP's of the region, Peter Rundle MLA and Rick Wilson, wholeheartedly supporting Katanning's 2026 DTL Carnival.



Katanning – Barry Kowald & Charley Waldberger



Katanning – Cameron Browne



Katanning – Tegan Stanley



Katanning campers

As we head to 2027, small country Clubs like Katanning that hold Carnival shoots, need our support as members of the clay target shooting community. So, look at all the country shoots and pencil them in on your calendar. This support not only supports the club, but also supports the greater



Katanning



Katanning – MP Rick Wilson with President Mal Crouch

community of the towns, which have been reduced in capacity through stopping of live sheep export, fishing bans, changes to Firearms Act plus other livelihood cancellations introduced over the past few years. So, get out there and be a part of reviving the clubs and towns.

Perth – West Australian Gun Club Festival of Clays

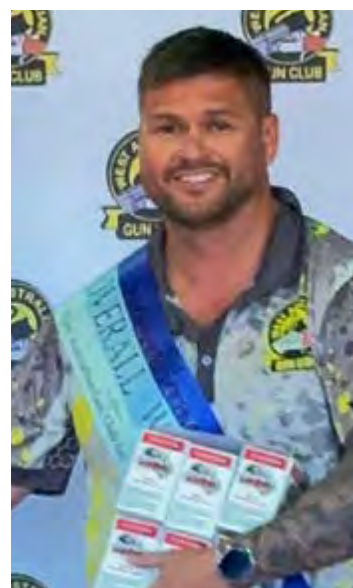
From the small country club of Katanning we move to the largest club in the State, located in Perth – West Australian Gun Club (WAGC) and its annual “Festival of Clays” (FOC). There were a great many sponsors of this event over the 14th – 16th August 2026, to which the club is extremely thankful, with a good selection of varied events to shoot.

Jarrad Baker (Narrogin) ensured that his trip to Perth was a very fruitful one with taking out the Carnival Overall High Gun with a 343/360. Stephen Gee (Peel) took AA Grade, Robert Finlay (WAGC) secured A Grade, Alistair Mitchell (WAGC) manhandled B Grade and Mark Tryon (WAGC) was successful with C Grade. Julia Collin (WAGC) was really pleased at taking out the Ladies High Gun, Trevor Morris (WAGC) beat all to take out the Veterans High Gun and Jack Griffiths (Boyup) the Junior High Gun.

Caravans pulled in and parked, then having got themselves settled, started Friday afternoon 14th August with Event 1 60 target Medley and



*Festival of Clays – Overall High Gun
Jarrad Baker*



*Festival of Clays – 60 target Medley
OA Ian King*



Festival of Clays – 60 target Medley AA Grade



Festival of Clays – 60 target Medley A Grade



Festival of Clays – 60 target Medley C Grade



Festival of Clays – 60 target Medley B Grade

shoot-off involved with D Eiffler (WAGC) having to prove himself to take out 2nd from C Neale (WAGC) 3rd with E Geschke (WAGC) having already won 1st in B Grade. W Muni secured

C Grade from M Tryon and L Tuccio, Junior, both WAGC.

The kangaroos woke all who were camping at the grounds and hence Saturday started with Event 2 with a 50 target Presidents Cup DB Points. Stephen Gee (Peel) took out the overall with a perfect 150/150 and left all other 87 members to fight it out for the grades. This started his challenge for

68 members shooting. The grounds were looking good and competitors battled to take out the event, but it was WAGC member Ian King who prevailed with a 99/100 to win Overall. There was a three way shoot-off for AA Grade between M Iwankiw (EGCTC) 1st from C Waldberger (WAGC DTL Captain) and S O'Brien (WAGC) for 2nd and 3rd. Stalwart R Herridge (WAGC), was successful in A Grade over R Day (WAGC) and K Wilkinson (Peel). But again, B Grade had a



Festival of Clays –DB Points OA Stephen Gee



Festival of Clays –DB Points AA Grade

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Festival of Clays – DB Points B Grade



Festival of Clays – Single Barrel B Grade

the Carnival Overall High Gun. J Baker (NGN) also stated his challenge for the Carnival High Gun by winning AA Grade from O Ross (WAGC) and M Iwankiw (EGCTC) after their shoot-off for 2nd and 3rd. K Wilkinson (Peel) and R Herridge (WAGC) shoot-off for 1st and 2nd A Grade with R Finlay (WAGC) taking out 3rd place. Honours



*Festival of Clays – Single Barrel OA
B Blake*

in the B Grade went to A Mitchell over D Blake (Denmark) and D Eiffler (WAGC), but in C Grade it was a battle between all the “newbies” with M Tryon (WAGC) victorious from S Vitetta (WAGC) and W Muni.

Nathan Blake (Denmark) applied his “how to win State Title” knowledge to secure Event 3 30 target SB with a of 35/35 perfect score

again from the 89 shooters who participated. J Baker (NGN) held tightly to AA Grade from C Browne (Wagin) and S Gee (Peel) which added more points to both Stephen and Jarrad’s tilts at the Carnival High Gun. Then the A Graders, all from WAGC, secured their spots without any shoot-offs, ending with R Finlay 1st, M Voke 2nd to S Tizzzone 3rd. Julia Collin, WAGC ISSF Captain, defeated the boys, G Heal (Peel) and D Neale (Esperance) to win B Grade and start her ascent for the Ladies Carnival High Gun. As it was, C Grade saw E Lee



*Festival of Clays –
Single Barrel C Grade*



*Festival of Clays – Single Barrel
A Grade*

win from L Tuccio and R Priolo, both WAGC.

The day finished with Event 4 50 target DB with 89 shooters participating. By this time, members were



*Festival of Clays – Double Barrel OA
Stephen Gee*

looking forward to the evening’s festivities. But before they could indulge, Steven Gee (Peel) gave a “masterclass” with a 91/91 to take out the event and secure one more rung towards the Carnival Overall High Gun. He shot off with B Sims, I King (both WAGC) and J Baker (NGN) who all subsequently took 1st, 2nd and 3rd in AA Grade.



Festival of Clays – Double Barrel AA Grade



Festival of Clays – Double Rise C Grade



Festival of Clays – Double Barrel C Grade

Shoot-offs weren't restricted to AA Grade with G Smith, R Herridge and T Bell (all WAGC) fighting it out in A grade for positions, likewise with R Carstairs (WAGC), G Heal (Peel) and D Eiffler (WAGC) in B Grade. C Grade must have felt left out as the results were clear cut with W Muni winning from L Tuccio and B Carberry.

Well that ended the days activities, with all looking to relax before starting once again on Sunday. Somehow, as Day 3 dawned, it seemed that the activities for Sunday came around too soon and the first event, Event 5 – 25 pair Double Rise saw only 71 members participate. Trevor Morris (WAGC) won the event with a 46/50 plus AA Grade. Placings in A Grade went to M Griffiths (Boyup), J Pirrotinia (Geraldton) and M Iwankiw (EGCTC) followed up by D Burnett, R Day and O Ross (all WAGC) taking the places in B Grade. L Harvey (Northam) won C Grade from R Finlay (WAGC) and W Walsh (Esperance).

Event 5 30 target Medley got everybody really

started again for the "real thing" and Billy Sims (WAGC) showed that he likes Medley's with the only possible 50/50.

However, AA Graders T Morris and I King kept the shoot-offs coming to take 1st and 2nd with R

Tait (all WAGC) taking 3rd. In all there were 75 competitors thereby giving A Grade a selection of winners and K Wilkinson came out on top from a shoot-off between R Herridge (WAGC) and H Skerris to determine 2nd and 3rd. B Grade went with a 3 way shoot-off with D Eiffler (1st), C Neale (2nd) and J Collin (3rd), all WAGC. S Vitetta won C Grade from W Muni and B Carberry.

Last event of the day was Event 7 being 30 target DB Handicap, everybody's favourite – not, especially the AA Graders, with 78 members present. New boy, Ricki Tait (WAGC) outclassed all others by winning Overall with a 37/37. 2nd was C Neale 36/37, 3rd to R Finlay, 4th J Collin, 5th A Mitchell. 6th B Carberry and 7th was the father B Finlay showing he's still got it, all WAGC.

Congratulations to all the members who



*Festival of Clays – 30 target Medley OA
B Simms*



Festival of Clays



Collie SWZ Mixed Targets OA
Mark Evans

participated, volunteers and sponsors for another excellent Carnival. Pencil into your 2027 calendar the WAGC "Festival of Clays". Thank you to all those that travelled for the Carnival.

Collie SWZ Tower and Mixed Targets

In between WAGC DTL Carnival and Wagin "Saltbush", Collie hosted their South West Zone Tower and Mixed Targets shoot over 21st August 2026. Winners of the day were Phil House (Boypup) 50/50 from Geoff Spence



Collie



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Collie SWZ Tower
Phil House



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Collie

(Collie) for the Zone Tower Championship and Mark Evans (Collie) took out the Zone Mixed Targets with a 60/60. Well done guys and great shooting.

WA Gun Club ChiCo Cup

Now history comes into play with the WA Gun Club resurrecting the ChiCo Cup, which was from the Azzurri Gun Club days. It was named after Germano Chiarle and Aldon Consantini. The order of the day was for competitors to shoot 400 targets Skeet Doubles over a 2 day weekend. Competition

was intense with the ultimate winner being Matt De Paoli (Collie). This competition was a good lead-up for Matt and Greg Schweikert (WAGC), who are both in the Open Skeet Team going to San Antonio, Texas to represent Australia. Matt is an old hand in tripping across to America as a Team member, but for Greg this is a new experience, so



WAGC ChiCo Cup – Jon Dyas



WAGC ChiCo Cup – Terry Marsden



WAGC ChiCo Cup – Shane O'Brien



WAGC ChiCo Cup – J Dichera



WAGC ChiCo Cup – J White



WAGC ChiCo Cup – R Pond



WAGC ChiCo Cup – Germano Chiarle, Matt De Paoli, Greg Schweiker, Jon Dyas

especially Greg Schweikert (WAGC Skeet Captain) who will have just got off the plane from the US after the Skeet World Championships. As with the DTL, on the Saturday night, there will be another WACTA Hall of Fame Induction, with this member being Skeet identified. So, support the inductee and stay behind after the day's shoot to congratulate and hear all the gossip surrounding that person. Don't forget that this is where you qualify for the WA State Skeet Representative Team

looking forward to the results of their performances on their return. Good luck to both and just hit the targets.

As September is here, the 2026 WA State DTL Carnival is drawing nearer with Eastern Goldfields Clay Target Club (EGCTC) being the host from the 25th – 28th September 2026. EGCTC has secured a diesel fuel voucher for all who pre-nominate for the State Titles plus for those booking accommodation, they have a "friendly" hotel on tap. Plus, they have added another DTL layout to their ranges, so make it worthwhile for the Club and nominate. Let's get a really good number at Kalgoorlie for this Carnival. As with previous years, the WACTA Hall of Fame will be held on the Saturday night to induct in another well deserved DTL member. Contact the Club for any more information relating to the State DTL Carnival or WACTA.

Don't forget that Hopetoun will be holding their 2.5 day "Qualup Bell" DTL Carnival from 9th – 11th October 2026. So if you have the time, make the effort to support another small club and enjoy country hospitality at its best. As the saying goes, "they may be small, but big on heart". Find out the saying is true and attend their Carnival.

2026 State Skeet will be held at the WA Gun Club, Whiteman Park, 16th – 18th October 2026 and they are preparing the grounds so that we have the best targets, thrown from maintained machinery. Come on WA "Skeeties", rally behind all those that have worked hard for this Carnival and nominate,

for the 2027 ACTA Skeet Nationals. Julia Collin (WAGC ISSF Captain) and her ISSF members have been putting a lot of work into improving the grounds and machinery at the ISSF ranges in preparation for the State ISSF Titles at WA Gun Club, Whiteman Park: 24th and 25th October 2026. Look out for all the notifications, fliers in Clay Target and on the various Facebooks or on Club noticeboards. Come and test yourself plus the what you've learnt at the "ISSF Competition schools" against the challenging targets.

At the same time on the 24th October 2026 in the afternoon, Collie Clay Target Club is hosting a Ladies "Come and Try" as an attempt to get more females into the sport. This is a great initiative being driven by the ladies of the club. So spread the word and support Collie in achieving a great result. News of the event will possibly be delivered in the next Clay Target issue.

Once again, a call out to every lady currently shooting at a Club in WA. Get together your ladies from the club or amalgamate with another to form a 3 person team and enter the 2026 ACTA Ladies Taipan Shield between October to December. Don't forget, WACTA is running a separate intrastate (within WA) competition to encourage all ladies to participate and form a camaraderie that will come together at the 2027 WACTA Ladies Day. Let's make it happen ladies.

Featuring in the next Clay Target issue, will be news will be about potentially Wagin "Saltbush", but definitely the 2026 State DTL Carnival.

Glenn Phillipson, Compak Overall at Maryborough

The growing popularity of ACTA Compak Sporting was once again evident at the Maryborough & District Gun Club when 50 competitors gathered for the club's 100 target championship on August 29. While numbers were slightly lower than anticipated, several other major shoots conducted on the same day undoubtedly influenced attendance. Nevertheless, the discipline continues to strengthen under the ACTA banner, with another quality field enjoying an outstanding day of competition.

The now familiar three-layout format again provided competitors with an excellent variety of targets. Shooters tackled 35 targets on Ground 1, followed by 30 targets on Ground 2 before finishing with 35 targets on Ground 3, with scores recorded as four rounds of 25 targets to produce the 100 target championship. The variety of standard and more exotic target presentations again drew comment from competitors throughout the day.

The club's target setters—Bryan Rafferty, Phil Stowe, Nathan Cassells and Bruce Jennings—deserve considerable credit for designing three distinctly different layouts that tested every aspect of Compak shooting. Praise was also directed to Groundsman Garry Cassells, whose attention to



*Glenn Phillipson, Compak Overall,
with Maryborough President Nathan Cassells*

detail ensured the grounds were presented in first-class condition for the event.



Daniel Pollard 1st B Grade



Graeme Beagley 2nd B Grade



Abbie Gervasoni 2nd C Grade

Weather conditions could hardly have been better. Warm sunshine, an absence of wind and reliable trap performance combined to provide ideal shooting conditions. The program ran smoothly throughout the day, with only brief pauses to



*Marcus Keirl 2nd A Grade,
1st Juniors*



Emma Keirl 1st Ladies



Tony Connell 1st Veterans



Robert Brown 1st Masters

refill traps and no equipment breakdowns. As a result, some competitors were already on their way home by early afternoon, while presentations were completed shortly after 3.00 pm.

The championship itself produced some excellent scores, with Glenn Philipson making full use of his home ground advantage. The Maryborough Gun Club shooter produced the outstanding score of the day, recording 96/100 to secure both the Overall Championship and AA Grade honours. Philipson's performance was a model of consistency across all

three layouts and comfortably earned him the day's major sash.

The ever-consistent Robert Hall from WVCTC again featured prominently, taking second place in AA Grade with 95/100, only one target behind the winner.

In A Grade, Angelo Axiak from WVCTC produced an excellent 92/100 to claim the grade honours. Bendigo junior Marcus Keirl continued his impressive season by finishing second with 83/100, a performance that also earned him the Junior award.



*Three members of the winning Bendigo CTC team for the Bendigo-Maryborough Challenge
L-R: Tony Connell, Emma Keirl, President Glenn Woodhatch & Mick Easton*



Maryborough GC team for the Bendigo–Maryborough Challenge. L-R: Nathan Stuchbree, Jamie Baird, Glenn Phillipson, Bendigo President Glenn Woodhatch, Rami Rawdah Al-Balah, Camilo Ardila

The closest contest of the day came in B Grade, where Daniel Pollard (Castlemaine) and Graeme Beagley (Bendigo) both finished on 78/100 off the gun. Pollard eventually secured the grade after an extended shoot-off, adding 12/14 to finish on 90/114, while Beagley was only one target adrift after shooting 11/14 for a final 89/114.

Des Spiteri gave the home club further success by taking C Grade with 72/100, while Abbie Gervasoni claimed second place with 68/100.

The sectional awards recognised several other strong performances throughout the day. Bendigo's Emma Keirl won the Ladies section with 85/100, clubmate Tony Connell secured the Veteran honours on 89/100, and Robert Brown added another success for the host club after joining the Maryborough Club on the day and winning the Masters section with 81/100.

The competition also marked the return leg of the yearly Bendigo–Maryborough Sporting Challenge. Although the home club was unable to overturn the deficit established at Bendigo, the friendly rivalry once again added another enjoyable dimension to the day, with the Bendigo visitors retaining the perpetual trophy and leaving Maryborough to good-naturedly accept the club's tongue-in-cheek "You Dug Your Own Hole" Shovel Award.

Following presentations, competitors and club members quickly packed away the layouts, another

example of the camaraderie that continues to characterise ACTA Compak events at Maryborough. Many remained at the clubhouse afterwards, enjoying refreshments while replaying the day's highlights, discussing the targets that got away and, naturally, sharing a few colourful explanations as to why they did.

The club also acknowledged the efforts of Kelly, Donna and Magan, whose work in the canteen ensured competitors and visitors enjoyed an excellent selection of food and refreshments throughout the day.

Attention now turns to the club's next fixtures, with a DTL Ironman program on September 26, followed by the next Compak Sporting Championship on October 31. If the continued growth and enthusiasm surrounding the discipline is any indication, competitors can look forward to another well-supported and enjoyable day's shooting.

Maryborough Gun Club 100 target Ironman Championship Saturday 26th September

5 sections with cash prizes and
lucky door prizes

Shooting starts at 12.30

See advertisement this issue of Clay Target



Psychological Skills for Shooting

by Michael Kruger-Davis

Cognitive Bias

I originally wrote this article back in 2019 during the federal election campaign, not because I wanted to make a political statement but because the topic deals with the thinking and cognitive process behind making decisions. For those shooters in Victoria and NSW, state elections will be occurring in late 2026 or in early 2027, and given the political impact of Bondi 2025, we as lawful firearm owners need to understand the thinking behind the gun-control lobby or anti-firearm politicians so that we can rationally refute their arguments.

According to Kendra Cherry, a cognitive bias is a systematic error in thinking that affects the decisions and judgments that people make.

Some biases are related to memory. When we make decisions, we often rely on our memory. Most of us believe our memories to be an infallible record of the true course of events. This is a flawed assumption because the way that we remember an event may be biased because of a number of reasons. Other biases are related to attention. What we pay attention to in the world is affected by the focus: it can be a broad focus, or it can be a very narrow focus. As a result, very subtle biases can creep in and influence the way we see and think about the world.

How Do Cognitive Biases Work?

Kendra Cherry in <https://www.verywellmind.com> defines a cognitive bias as 'a type of error in thinking that occurs when people are processing and interpreting information in the world around them.' She continues by stating, the human brain is powerful but subject to limitations. Cognitive biases are often a result of your brain's attempt to simplify information processing. They are rules of thumb that help you make sense of the world and reach decisions with relative speed.'

We all like to think that we are logical and rational in our decision making but we often make poor decisions because we do not always consider the information that is available to us and these biases get in the way.

Causes

Kendra Cherry continues by stating that 'if you had to think about every possible option when making a decision, it would probably take a lot of time to make even the simplest choice. Because of the sheer complexity of the world around you and the amount of information in the environment, it is necessary sometimes to rely on some mental shortcuts that allow you to act quickly.'

Social pressures, individual motivations, emotions, and limits on the mind's ability to process information as well as social media can also contribute to these biases.

Not all biases are bad and in fact they allow us to make decision more quickly. This can be paramount in life threatening situations and the ability to make quick decisions may keep you away from danger.

Types of Cognitive Biases:

- **Confirmation Bias:** This is favouring information that conforms to your existing beliefs and discounting evidence that does not conform. This could be seen over and over again in the lead up to these state elections. Commentators would ask questions that clearly could be perceived as biased. For the shooter it may be manifested in their choice of gun or ammunition or even what gun clubs to attend. In NSW the hype regarding firearm caps is a good example of this: "Why would anyone living in Sydney need more than 4 guns?" For sporting or hunting shooters the answer is obvious but for those ignorant of our sport they are biased in their belief that one gun will be enough.
- **Availability Heuristic:** This is a complex way of saying deciding on the things that come to mind quickly.
- **Halo Effect:** Your overall impression of a person influences how you feel and think about his or her character. This especially applies to physical attractiveness influencing how you rate their other qualities.

• **Self-Serving Bias:** This is the tendency to blame external forces when bad things happen and give yourself credit when good things happen. This is a positive in sport. It means that you are less likely to dwell on the past and make negative judgements about yourself or your performance. For the gun control lobby, every gun equates to an illegal or nefarious act, until one of our shooters wins a gold medal in the Olympics and then they are applauded and praised but this achievement is glossed over quickly to avoid supporting responsible gun ownership.

• **Attentional Bias:** This bias involves paying attention to some things while ignoring others at the same time. For the shooter, when buying a new gun, you may focus your attention on the brand or on some aspects rather than look at whether it will suit you or your shooting discipline. For the politicians, they will ignore the impact hunters have in limiting evasive and feral species, in an effort to impose limits on the number of firearms a shooter can hold.

• **Actor-Observer Bias:** This is the tendency to attribute your own actions to external causes while attributing other people's behaviours to internal causes. You attribute your high cholesterol level to genetics while you consider others to have a high level due to poor diet and lack of exercise.

• **Functional Fixedness:** This is the tendency to see things as only working in a particular way. For politicians, "if we get rid of all the legal firearms, then firearm deaths and crime will dry up."

• **Anchoring Bias:** This is the tendency to rely too heavily on the very first piece of information you learn. of others by putting the first information on

the table for consideration. Because gun crime is committed by someone with a gun (not necessarily legal, registered, etc) then all gun owners could be responsible for similar acts.

• **Misinformation Effect:** This is the tendency for post-event information to interfere with the memory of the original event. It is easy to have your memory influenced by what you hear about the event from others.

• **False Consensus Effect:** This is the tendency to overestimate how much other people agree with you.

• **Optimism Bias:** This bias leads you to believe that you are less likely to suffer from misfortune and more likely to attain success than your peers.

These biases are actually distortions of our thinking, and the thinking of those people with differing view to our own, that have their base in memory, attention, attribution and other mental mistakes. They should not be confused with a logical fallacy where you make a mistake because there was a fundamental error in your logical argument.

Armed with this information maybe we can make sense of the reasons and judgements others are making about our sport, recreation and livelihoods. We hopefully can use our understanding of their biases to calmly and rationally refute their arguments and misinformation.

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WARATAH NOTES

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Hall of Fame Dinner

Still plenty of time to grab your tickets for the Hall of Fame Carvery Dinner on Friday 2nd October.

Tickets \$35pp and can be purchased through the State office or through MCMS when nominating.

Email: secretary@nswcta.org



2026 Trap Carnival Nominations

Nominations have officially opened for the State Trap Carnival held from the 2nd - 5th of October. Please nominate through MCMS.

Trap Carnival Accommodation Reminder

This is your friendly reminder to make sure you have your accommodation booked for the long weekend. Accommodation is filling fast.

Competition Results



TCTA

Spring Bay 29/08/2026

Great weather, (16): ATA Style
100T SB: 1st: Jake Wilson 92/100,

2nd: S Bennett 90/100, 3rd: N
Lewis 85/100.



VCTA

Ararat 05/09/2026

Cool, intermittent showers
(27): 10T PS E/O CD: L Watts
29/30, O Zielesna 29/30, M
Borecki 29/30, T Gull 29/30;
40T PS Gr CS: AA: O Zielesna
118/120, L Ralph 116/120; A: M

Zielesna 119/120, G Hargreaves
109/120; B: G Coburn 103/120,
T Perry 101/120; C: D Long
104/120, M Borecki 102/120;
OA: M Zielesna 119/120; 25T
HC: 1st: J Chamberlain 24/25,
2nd: G Horrigan 31/36, 3rd

L Ralph 30/36; HG: OA: O
Zielesna 168/175; LAD: T Perry
143/175; VET: G Hargreaves
158/175.

Bendigo 15/08/2026

Excellent (16): 40T DB: A/A &
AA: D Button 49/49, E Vassallo
44/45; A: R Davis 48/49,
G Daley 39/40; C: J Whyte
33/40; 20 Rr D/R: OA & AA:
G Gillespie 42/50; A: L Vella
37/50, L Marsh 27/40; B: S Farr
29/40, S Anstee 27/40; C: D
Button 25/40, D Jenkins 23/40.

Bendigo 29/09/2026

Windy, overcast (57): 100T
Compak: OA: N Guerra 96/100;
AA: M Coll 95/100, M Keirl
94/100; A: A Axiak 94/100, N
Dean 91/100; B: W Keirl 102/125,
L McGinnis 100/125; C: D Spiteri
82/100, V Crocitti 67/100;
JNR: M Keirl 87/100; LAD: E
Keirl 78/100; VET: C Basson
82/100; MSTR: B Rafferty
71/100.

Maryborough 29/08/2026

(50): 100T Compak: OA &
AA: G Phillipson 96/100; AA
2nd RHall 95/100. A: A Axiak
92/100, M Keirl 83/100; B:
D Pollard 90/114, G Beagley
89/114; C: D Spiter 72/100i, A
Gervasoni 68/100. JUN: M Keirl
83/100; LAD: E Keirl 85/100;

VET: T Connell 89/100; MAST:
R Brown 81/100.

Nepean 15/08/2026

Even the penguins were cold
(154): 25T SEZ HC CS: 1st: K
Balcombe 40/40; 2nd: R Shale
40/41; 3rd: T Burns 39/41; JFM:
S Africano 25/25; 25m BM: A
Brady 25/25; 50T SEZ MXD
CS: AA: S Trembath 155/160, B
McCall 136/140; A: A Crawford
116/120, J Shale 98/100; B: W
McPherson 96/100, O Spencer
94/100; C: S Africano 96/100,
Z Sporle 95/100; OA: R Foote
159/160; HG CS: OA: B Brown
123/125; JNR: S Africano 121/125;
LAD: C Hyde 117/125; VET: A
Crawford 121/125.

St James 29/08/2026

Warm & sunny (36): 50T DB:
Maurice Murphy Memorial:
AA & OA: A Gobbo 76/76, B
Henderson 54/55; A: L Stokes
75/76, M Engel 58/59; B: L
Tonks 47/50, A Sutherland
46/50; C: M Baczyk 47/50, A
Murphy 45/50; 50T PS: Verna
Wilson Memorial: AA & OA:
F Heinze 150/150, A Gobbo
147/150; A: S Murphy 152/156,
D Chinn 149/156; B: L Tonks
140/150, G Ganning 129/150;
C: J Lomar 135/150, P Ferrari
131/150.

North East Zone/V.C.T.A. OCTOBER 2026 PROGRAM

SATURDAY 3RD

Bendigo 10:00am

100 tgt ACTA Compak Sporting C/S

SUNDAY 4TH

Numurkah 11:00am

50 tgt P/S
25 tgt S/B
25 tgt H/cap
High Gun

FRIDAY 16TH

Mathoura 7:30pm

60 tgt NEZ Night Ch/Ch

18mt, OA 3 gr

25 tgt NEZ Night S/B OA 3gr

SATURDAY 17TH

Mathoura 10:00am

Pink Shoot Charity Day

50 tgt P/S C/ship OA 3gr
25 tgt S/B OA 3gr
25 tgt D/B C/ship OA 3 gr
High Gun

BENDIGO 11:00AM

15 tgt Medley C/D
75 tgt Ch/Ch C/ship 18mt

SUNDAY 11TH

Euroa 10:30am

20 tgt Gr D/B Gift 1-2 AA, A, B, C
20 tgt Gr S/B Gift 1-2 AA, A, B, C
20 tgt Gr P/S Gift 1-2 AA, A, B, C
20 pr D/ Gift D/P 1-2
Over High Gun

SATURDAY 17TH & 18TH

Wangaratta 10:30am

2 Day Carnival
See Facebook and CTSN Add

SUNDAY 18TH

Mansfield 10:30am

100 tgt B/T C/ship

KYNETON 11:00AM

Medley Sheild Past Members Memorial M/T C/ship

30 tgt Gr C/ship
30 tgt S/B Gr C/ship
30 tgt P/S Gr C/ship

SATURDAY 25TH

Colbinabbin 11:00am

25 tgt P/S C/D
25 tgt S/B C/ship
25 tgt D/B C/ship
20 tgt H/cap

SATURDAY 31ST

St James 11:00am

5 tgt D/B Cont E/O
25 tgt NEZ D/B Cont C/ship
25 tgt P/S
25 tgt D/B



TASMANIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION

TASMANIAN STATE SKEET CARNIVAL 2026



24th & 25th
OCTOBER 2026

STATE SHOOTING GROUNDS
200 NILE ROAD EVANDALE, TASMANIA

SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER 2026 - 0900 START

EVENT	DISCIPLINE	DETAILS	NOMINATIONS
1	STATE SKEET HANDICAP	50 TARGETS	O,L,V \$45 J \$25
2	STATE SKEET DOUBLES	25 PAIR	O,L,V \$45 J \$25
3	STATE SKEET 20 GAUGE	50 TARGETS	O,L,V \$45 J \$25

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2026 - 0900 START

EVENT	DISCIPLINE	DETAILS	NOMINATION
4	STATE SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP	100 TARGETS	O,L,V \$90 J \$50
5	STATE POSTAL TEAM SHOOT	50 TARGETS	N/A

OVERALL HIGH GUN - EVENTS 1 TO 4

CARNIVAL INFORMATION

- Shooters must be financial members of the ACTA
- All events shot in accordance with ACTA rules
- Practice available from 12pm Friday 23rd October \$12.50 RND
- Catering available on both days
- The committee reserve the right to change the program if necessary.

NOMINATIONS

- Nominations via MCMS
- Nominations will open 5th October
- Nominations will close midnight 23rd October
- Nominations will be available on the day via cash or card for a \$10 per event late fee.

PRIZES & AWARDS

OVERALLS

Overalls on Events
2,3 & 4
Sash prize

GRADE WINNERS

1st Place Only on
Events 2,3 & 4
Sash prize
Handicap 1st-5th

LADIES, JUNIORS & VETERANS

1st in each category on
events 2,3 & 4
Sash prize

HIGH GUNS

High Guns on Events
1 to 4
Overall, AA,A,B,C
Sash & Cash
Ladies,Juniors & Veterans
Sash prize

OPTIONAL PRIZE POOL

\$20 Per 50T event
\$40 Per 100T event
To be paid when
nominating

JUNIOR NOMINATIONS

Junior nominations will be
\$25 per 50 targets
\$125 full program



VCTA

COMMONWEALTH & VICTORIAN STATE TRAP CHAMPIONSHIPS — 2026 —

9th–15th NOVEMBER 2026

STATE SHOOTING GROUNDS (Echuca Clay Target Club)

FRIDAY NIGHT BARBECUE & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
(Gold coin donation)

MCMS NOMINATIONS OPENING SOON

Conditions of Entry available online

CORSIVIA

GreenDream - official target of the 2026 ACTA
Commonwealth and VCTA State Trap Championships



EVENT PROGRAM



9TH - 15TH NOVEMBER 2026

MONDAY

09/11/26

10.30 AM START

PRACTICE DAY

TUESDAY

10/11/26

9.30 AM START

Event 1 – Commonwealth Double Rise Championship - 25 pairs at 18 m
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets

Event 2 – Commonwealth Handicap - 50 tgts from ACTA Handicap Marks
Prizes awarded 1st to 5th plus Backmarker

WEDNESDAY

11/11/26

9.30 AM START

Event 3 – Commonwealth Single Barrel Championship - 50 tgts at 18 m
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets

Event 4 – Commonwealth Double Barrel Championship - 50 tgts at 18 m
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets

THURSDAY

12/11/26

8.30 AM START

Event 5 – Commonwealth Point Score Championship - 50 tgts at 18 m
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets

VCTA STATE TITLES

12.00 PM START

Event 1 – VCTA State Champion of Champions – 75 tgts at 18 m
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets

FRIDAY

13/11/26

8.30 AM START

Event 2 – VCTA State Double Rise Championship – 25 pairs
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets

Event 3 – VCTA State Handicap – 50 targets from ACTA Handicap Marks
Prizes awarded 1st to 5th plus Backmarker

SATURDAY

14/11/26

8.30 AM START

Event 4 – VCTA State Single Barrel Championship – 50 tgts
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets

Event 5 – VCTA State Double Barrel Championship – 50 tgts
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets

SUNDAY

15/11/26

8.30 AM START

Event 6 – VCTA State Point Score Championship – 50 tgts
Graded AA-A-B-C. O/A, & 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade & 1st Ladies, S/J, Jnr & Vets



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SUNDAY 4th October 2026 11.00am Start

SEZ DTL CARNIVAL WARM UP

Event 1: 25 Target Double Barrel – **\$20**

Cash AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd

Event 2: 25 Target Points Score – **\$20**

Cash AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd

Event 3: 25 Target Single Barrel – **\$20**

Cash AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd

Event 4: 25 Target Handicap – **\$20**

Cash 1st, 2nd & 3rd

High Gun Sashes Over Events 1-4, O/A, AA, A, B&C, L, J and V

SUNDAY 18th October 2026 11.00am Start

Hardcore Handicap

Event 1: 30 Target Handicap – **\$25**

1st Sash & Cash, 2nd & 3rd

Event 2: 30 Target **Lord Birdwood Cup** Handicap – **\$25**

1st Sash & Cash, 2nd & 3rd

Event 3: 30 Target **Duke of Gloucester Cup** Handicap – **\$25**

1st Sash & Cash, 2nd to 5th

SKEET 10.30am Start

Event 4: 50 Target Skeet

Including **FACTC v Melbourne Gun Club**
InterClub Skeet competition

AA, A, B, C



\$40

Event 5: 50 Target Skeet Doubles

AA, A, B, C

\$40

To guarantee Skeet competition goes ahead, please consider pre-nominating for this event by Friday 16th October.

We would like a minimum of 2 squads for this competition.

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



MILDURA CLAY TARGET CLUB

2026 Bloom Shoot

EVENT 1

9.30am Saturday
October 3rd

100 TARGET DOUBLE BARREL

Noms (includes \$5 environmental levy)

OPEN \$100 | LADIES/VETERANS \$95 | JUNIORS \$80



OVERALL SASH & CASH



1st AA, A, B, C SASH & CASH



2nd AA, A, B, C CASH



OVERALL DOES NOT TAKE GRADE

EVENT 2

9.30am Sunday
October 4th

100T POINT SCORE

Noms (includes \$5 environmental levy)

OPEN \$100 | LADIES/VETERANS \$95 | JUNIORS \$80



OVERALL SASH & CASH



1st AA, A, B, C SASH & CASH



2nd AA, A, B, C CASH



OVERALL DOES NOT TAKE GRADE

WEEKEND HIGH GUNS



O/A
\$750 CASH
& SASH

(Sponsored by
Victorian Citrus Farms)



AA, A, B, C
\$300 CASH
& SASH



LADIES,
JUNIORS &
VETERANS
\$300 CASH
& SASH



PRE NOMS OPEN
SEPTEMBER 1ST 2026



CANTEEN OPEN
EVERYDAY



ON-SITE CAMPING.
EXCELLENT FACILITIES
- \$30 PER NIGHT



EFTPOS
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FRIDAY AFTERNOON FROM 12PM,
AND 8.30AM - 9.00AM SAT & SUN

CONTACT: MAX ANDERSON 0438 347 676, SEAN ARKINSTALL 0419 391 558

The Mildura Clay Target Club reserves the right to alter the program at any time if necessary



South East Zone DTL Carnival 2026

Melbourne Gun Club

Saturday 10th October - 9:00AM

25T H/Cap - 25T DB - 25T SB - 25T PS

7 layouts in use throwing



Full Noms \$96 - *Reduced \$72

**Series High Guns proudly sponsored
by Beretta Australia**



- ♦ *Carnival Shoot Marshall (SM) - Steve Trembath*
- ♦ *At the SM's discretion, shoot offs may be altered by metreage or discipline to determine a winner*
- ♦ *Competitors will be squadded in relation to their handicap metreage and remain in those squads for all events*
- ♦ **Reduced noms applies to juniors and ladies only*

VCTA

South West Zone 2026 DTL Trap Carnival



Sunday 25th October

COLAC GUN CLUB Hill Road, Barongarook
Starting at 10 am

Event 1: 25tgt South West Zone Double Barrel c/ship

Event 2: 25tgt South West Zone Single Barrel c/ship

Event 3: 25tgt South West Zone Points Score c/ship

Event 4: 25tgt South West Zone Handicap

High Guns: *Overall, Ladies, Junior, Veteran*

SWZ Team: *Open, Ladies, Veteran and Juniors selection*

**Overall Junior Double Barrel Winner
receives sash & prize**

The Committe reserves the right to alter prizes at their discretion

South West Zone President – Sam Rundell – 0427 784 202
South West Zone Secretary – Fiona Dobbins – 0447 933 745
Colac Gun Club – David Fenn – 0428 322 924



MARYBOROUGH GUN CLUB

377 BUCKNALL ST, CARISBROOK

SATURDAY
SEPTEMBER 26TH 2026

★ 12.30 PM START ★

100 TARGET IRONMAN ★ CHAMPIONSHIP ★

COMPRISING:

- 20 TARGETS DOUBLE BARREL
- 20 TARGETS SINGLE BARREL
- 20 TARGETS POINTS SCORE
- 20 TARGETS CONTINENTAL DOUBLE BARREL
- 10 PAIR OF DOUBLE RISE

CASH PRIZES

\$100 FIRST EACH GRADE AA, A, B, C
(OVERALL TAKES GRADE)

\$70 SECOND PLACE EACH GRADE

PLUS LADIES, JUNIOR & VETERAN CASH PRIZES

★ 2 LUCKY DOOR PRIZES VALUED AT \$70 EACH ★

ARE YOU
TOUGH ENOUGH
TO BE THE
IRONMAN?

FURTHER INFORMATION:

GARRY CASSELLS (SEC) 0418 501 339

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WANGARATTA CLAY TARGET CLUB

Shooting since 1919



2 DAY ANNUAL TRAP CARNIVAL 17th & 18th October 2026



\$10,000 in Sashes and Cash Prizes

Limited to **108** Shooters (Pre Noms from 1st October on MCMS)

Nominations - Open \$180, Veterans & Ladies \$165, Juniors \$65

Saturday, 17th October - Commencing 10.00am (Practice 9am)

Event 1: 50tgt Victor Tomasoni Memorial POINTS SCORE

Sponsored by **BORDER CLAY TARGET CLUB**

Overall - Perpetual Shield, Sash & \$500,
1st in Grade Sash and \$250, 2nd in Grade \$100

Event 2: 50tgt Ernie Williams Memorial DOUBLE BARREL

Co-Sponsored by **DC Imports** - Corsivia Green Dream supplier and **Wangaratta Clay Target Club**

Overall - Perpetual Shield, Sash and \$500, 1st in Grade Sash and \$250, 2nd in Grade \$100

Sunday, 18th October - Commencing 10.00am (Practice 9am)

Event 3: 50pair DOUBLE RISE

Sponsored by **KRAUTZ & SUMMERIL CONCRETE and PRECAST**

Overall Sash and \$500, 1st in Grade Sash and \$250, 2nd in Grade \$100

Event 4: 30tgt Handicap. Dick English Memorial

Co-Sponsored by **John (Irish Jack) McGauran and WANGARATTA CLAY TARGET CLUB**

1st Perpetual Shield Sash and \$1,000, 2nd \$750, 3rd \$500, 4th \$250, 5th \$100

HIGH GUNS

Sponsored by **KUDRI DEMAJ**

(Shooters must complete events 1-4 to qualify)

Overall, Veteran, Ladies, Juniors (If 3 or more competing in category)

plus **GRADE HIGH GUNS** - AA A B C

Sponsored by **CRAIG SESSIONS**

Sash and \$200

Camping Facilities - Swags and Roof-tops only - Caravans can book into the excellent
North Cedars Holiday Park (03) 57 215 230 - Freecall - 1800 333 410

Canteen will be operating - EFTPOS Available

Practice available 3pm - 5.30pm - Friday, 16th October

Hot Meals available at The Vine Hotel (adjecant to the club) each evening

Enquires: Bob Glossop 0427 621 195 or wangarattaclaytargetclub@gmail.com

The committee reserves the right to alter the program

EFTPOS and Canteen are available all day

Corsivia Green Dreams & Twin Lap LaPortes



CORSIVIA





NTCTA

Dundee Downs 23/08/2026

(18): 60T MIXDED CS: OA: C McTaggart 97/100; A/AA: S Moggs 95/100, L Godber

93/100; B: G Lovelock 92/100, M Stevenson 91/100; C: S Askew 91/100, D Rohde 80/100.



QCTA

Atherton 23/08/2026

Sunny and slight wind (21): 50T SB: AA: J Smaniotto (V) 39/50; A: M Stella 39/50, M Chuck 32/50, P Collins 29/50; B: De Brueys 42/50, P Turner 38/50, P Luppi 38/50; C: K Puttlitz 36/50, C Cannon 35/50, A Strano 34/50; 30T SB CONT: AA: J Smaniotto (V) 24/30; A: M Stella 27/30, M Chuck 24/30; B: C De Brueys 28/30, P Luppi 25/30; C: C Cannon 24/30, K Puttlitz 18/30; 30T DB CONT: AA: J Smaniotto 25/30; A: M Stella 29/30, M Chuck 26/30; B: B Lansdown 28/30, C De Brueys 27/30; C: C Cannon 24/30, B Coulthard 23/30.

Bundaberg

Windy: 25T OG CD: AA: K Jarick, P Rehbein and G Wright 25/25; A: M Tipman and D Large 25/25; B: Connor Large 25/25; C: J Clarke 23/25; 25T DB CS: OA: P Grove 25/25; AA: K Jarick 25/25; A: P Grove 25/25; B: K Rehbein 25/25; C: M Taylor 24/25; 25T PTS: AA: K Jarick 74/75; A: A Ford 71/75; B: D Tory 74/75; C: M Taylor 71/75; 25T DB 18M: AA: K Jarick and P Rehbein 22/25; A: I Wynyard 25/25; B: D Tory 24/25; C: M Taylor 23/25; HG: OA: K Jarick 146/150; JNR: Connor Large 142/150.

Bundaberg 05/09/2026

Windy (13): 50T OG CD: A: T Delly 43/50; B: D Large 42/50; C: A Takacs 48/50; 25T SK CS: OA: D Large 23/25; A: A Spinks 22/25; B: D Large 23/25; C: A Takacs 23/25.

Caboolture

(30): 30T CD: AA: S Rad, A Incani, M Lynch 29/30; A: C Koutsakis, J Gemmill, D McDonald 30/30; B: L Pettman 29/30, D Reynolds, S Cannizzaro 28/30; C: K Trotter 26/30, A

Incani 25/30; 45T Medley: AA: L Sutherland 75/75, A Incani 71/75; A: J Moore 98/100, S Harker 96/100; B: L Pettman 64/75, D Reynolds 61/75; C: A Incani 59/75, K Trotter 53/75; 25T SB: AA: A Incani 41/41, L Sutherland 40/41; A: J Gemmill 25/25, A Mills 26/27; B: F Mills 21/25, L Pettman 25/31; C: D Trotter 19/25, K Trotter 18/25; 25T HC: 1st: T McKenna 32/33, 2nd: L Pettman 31/33, 3rd: A Incani 27/29; HG: Open: J Gemmill 149/155; AA: A Incani 157/165; A: S Harker 147/155; B: L Pettman 136/155; C: A Incani 122/155.

Gold Coast 02/09/2026

(23): 75T Night Medley: AA: S Evans 122/125, B Sanderson 116/125; A: S Harker 121/125, A Herron 117/125; B: K Page 134/150, T Willett 132/150; C: B Hamilton 109/125, S Moroney 108/125.

Kingaroy 06/09/2026

Fine, Hot, Windy (31): 100T DB: OA: Jason Darlington 99/10; AA: C Brown 98/100, R Ridder 135/138; A: B Allen 109/111, S McCullough 108/111; B: B Evans 98/100, B Zelinski 93/100; C: J Jeynes 84/100, J Carney 76/100.

Port Denison 22/08/2026

Sunny day, moderate afternoon breeze.(71): 30T Medley: OA: C Edgerton 50/50; AA: R Collinson 50/50, J Rossato 97/100; A: W Benson 71/75, D Bartlett 69/75; B: M Wilkins 47/50, G Clarke 45/50; C: N Young 62/75, C Marschke 60/75; JNR: W Rossato 39/50; LAD: R Mikkelsen 44/50; VET: L Groat 49/50. 30T PS Port Denison CS: OA: J Rossato 90/90; AA: R Hunter 89/90, M Pain 88/90; A: J Maxwell 89/90, D Rossato 116/120; B: G Clarke 82/90, G Rowe 80/90; C: S Raleigh 78/90, C Marschke 74/90; JNR: W Rossato 72/90;

LAD: R Mikkelsen 95/99; VET: A Lord 86/90. 30T DB Port Denison CS: OA: J Caruso 55/55; AA: M Pain 45/46, L Groat 33/34; A: C Edgerton 54/55, A Lord 34/35; B: G Clarke 28/30, A Parker 33/36; C: D James 26/30, S Raleigh 28/34; JNR: W Rossato 24/30; LAD: M Rossato 27/30; VET: J Maxwell 31/32. 30T DB CONT: OA: R Hunter 35/35; AA: J Rossato 34/35, M Pain 39/40; A: D Stitt 33/34, G McHenry 32/34; B: A Parker 27/30, J Kinninmonth

26/30; C: A Parker 24/30, B Heffernan 24/31; JNR: W Rossato 28/30; LAD: R Mikkelsen 28/30; VET: L Groat 32/33. 50T HC: 1st W Roberts 47/51, 2nd: G McHenry 48/53, 3rd D Stitt 47/53, 4th C Robertson 45/50, 5th R Mikkelsen 52/60. HG: OA: M Pain 237/250; AA: R Hunter 247/262; A: A Lord 233/250; B: G Clarke 216/250; C: S Raleigh 205/250; JNR: W Rossato 202/250; LAD: R Mikkelsen 228/250; VET: L Groat 233/250.

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Bordertown 23/08/2026

(17): 50T DB CS: OA & AA: A Hawker & G Height 66/67; A: M Nolte 68/71, N Rishworth 67/71; B: A Nolte 65/67, C Dodson 46/50; C: C Hendy 46/50, W Hendy 44/50; 50T HC: 1st: C Hendy 49/50, 2nd: A Hawker 59/61, 3rd: W Hendy 58/61, 4th: P Sanders 50/53, 5th: M Nolte 48/51; HG: A Hawker 97/100.

International 22/08/2026

Cool, O/Cast, 16 deg (12): 100T UT Grd/HC: OA & B: A Sologub 85/100; A: S Daou 83/100; C: M Cavouto 78/100.

International 30/08/2026

22 deg, clear, sunny, no wind (31): 25T SB Grd: AA: R Damin 24/25, R Warden 23/25; A: R Borzillo 24/25, D Lymn 23/25; B: P Roney 25/28, M Collumb 24/28; C: D Phillips 22/25, R Renna 21/25; LAD: G Letterio, V Oliviero 18/25; VET: B Quinzi 22/25; 25T PS Grd: AA: R Damin 71/75, H Phillips 78/84; A: G Karageorgis 71/75, D Oliviero 70/78; B: P Marmorale 72/75, P Baldock 69/75; C: C Noto 73/78, K Perry 72/78; LAD: G Letterio 65/75; VET: B Cook 69/75; 25T DB CS: OA & A: B Quinzi 32/32; AA: R Damin 30/31, R Warden 24/25, D Oliviero 31/32; B: R Low 24/25, P Bourne 23/25; C: C Noto 24/25, D Halikiopoulos 24/26; LAD: G Letterio 20/25; VET: P Marmorale 22/25.

International 05/09/2026

15 deg, strong gusty unpredictable NW Winds (10): 100T Central Zone Skeet CS: OA & A: M Raper 91/100, W Darlington 79/100;

B: N Dimasi 78/100, P Baldock 70/100; C: N Gorman 78/100, P Pratt 77/100.

International 06/09/2026

Cool, cold, damp underfoot, patchy sun, 15 deg (25): 25T Gr PS: AA: R Damin 71/75; A: D Oliviero 71/75, G Karageorgis 79/84; B: G Carter 67/75, P Marmorale 66/75; C: K Perry 80/87, D Halikiopoulos 77/87; LAD: V Oliviero; VET: B Quinzi 69/75. 30T Gr DB: AA: B Cook 38/39, R Damin 37/39; A: T De Padova 29/30, D Oliviero 29/31; B: G Carter 29/30, B Duncan 28/30; C: K Perry 29/30, D Robinson 28/31; LAD: S Byrnes 26/30; VET: P Bourne 27/30. 30T Gr DB CS: OA & AA: B Cook 30/30, R Damin 29/30; A: D Oliviero 30/30, R Borzillo 34/35; B: B Duncan 28/30, P Marmorale 27/30; C: S Byrnes 28/30, G Letterio 30/35; LAD: G Letterio 25/30; VET: G Tapscott 29/30.

Monarto 23/08/2026

Sunny 18 deg (33): 25T SB: AA: B Cook 25/25, R Clark 21/26; A: G Hopgood 23/25, K Anderson 22/25; B: G Carter 24/25, T Scarff 28/30; C: T Baker 21/26, G Foster 20/25; 25T DB: AA: R Clark 25/25, P Kelly 24/25; A: M Williamson 25/25, R Wheaton 28/29; B: M McEwan 28/28, I Hopton 27/28; C: T Price 26/26, A Megson 25/26; 50T CONT PS: AA: R Clark 143/150, P Kelly 139/150; A: D Peel 144/150, R Wheaton 143/150; B: T Scarff 134/150, M Fleming 132/150; C: K Hamilton 130/150, K Millar

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Northern Territory Clay Target Association Inc.

NORTHERN TERRITORY SKEET CHAMPIONSHIPS

12 June – 14 June 2027

Venue: Top End Gun Club, 500 Cox Peninsula Road
Berry Springs



Saturday 12 June

9:00 am

- Event 1: 50 Target 20g Skeet Championship
Event 2: 50 Target Skeet Handicap

Sunday 13 June

9:00 am

- Event 3: 100 Target Skeet Championship
NT Postal Teams

Monday 14 June

9:00 am

- Event 4: 50 Target Skeet Champion of Champions
(25 Target 12g in first visit and 25 Target 20g in second visit)
Event 5: 50 Target Skeet Doubles Championship (25 Pair)

****The NTCTA committee reserves the right to alter the program should the need arise****

Overall on Events 1 - 5

NT Sash, Gold Badge and Cash or Sponsor Prize

1st and 2nd AA, A, B, C on Events 1, 3 - 5

NT Medallion and Cash or Sponsor Prize

1st Ladies/Juniors/Veterans on Events 1, 3 - 5

NT Medallion

2nd to 5th on Event 2

2nd - NT Medallion and Cash or Sponsor Prize, 3rd - NT Medallion and Cash or Sponsor Prize, 4th & 5th - Cash or Sponsor Prize.

Overall High Gun Events 1 - 5

NT Sash, Gold Badge and Cash or Sponsor Prize

Grade High Guns (AA, A, B, C) on Events 1 - 5

NT Sash and Cash or Sponsor Prize

Ladies/Juniors/Veterans High Gun on Events 1 - 5

NT Sash

Nominations through MyClubsMyScores. Open 1 April 2027.

NOMINATIONS (Per Event)

Events 1, 2, 4 & 5- Open \$70.00, Ladies/Junior/Veterans \$65.00

Event 3 – Open \$140.00, Ladies/Junior/Veterans \$130.00

For additional information and conditions of entry, please visit www.ntclaytarget.org.au

For information regarding camping please contact the Darwin Clay Target Club secretary at dctcsecretary@gmail.com



ATHERTON

ATHERTON CLAY TARGET CLUB INC.



2026 ANNUAL TRAP CARNIVAL

RIFLE RANGE ROAD, ATHERTON, QUEENSLAND

*A great weekend of shooting,
competition & country hospitality!*

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER TO SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER



**PRACTICE
FROM 1PM**

★ DON'T MISS! ★

\$3000 HANDICAP

SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER 8:30AM START

EVENT 5

SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER 8:30AM START

- E1** 30 TARGET POINT SCORE **CASH DIVIDE**
- E2** 30 TARGET MEDLEY
OVERALL SASH, 1ST/2ND EACH GRADE
- E3** 30 TARGET SINGLE BARREL
OVERALL SASH, 1ST/2ND EACH GRADE
- E4** 50 TARGET DB ROSS CANNON MEMORIAL
1ST/2ND/3RD EACH GRADE



**OVERALL SASH PLUS PERPETUAL TROPHY
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- ★ **E5** 30 TARGET HANDICAP 1ST/2ND/3RD/4TH/5TH **\$1500**
FIRST PRIZE
OVERALL SASH – SPONSORED BY ALAN AND JACKIE POGGIOLI
- E6** 50 TARGET PS CONTINENTAL 1ST/2ND/3RD **STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SASH**



HIGH GUN OVER ALL EVENTS

OVERALL, AA, A, B, C, LADIES, JUNIOR, VETERAN

★ Competitors must shoot the entire program
to be eligible to enter Event 5 – 30T Handicap

ENJOY GREAT COUNTRY HOSPITALITY!



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CASUAL TUCKER**



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**SATURDAY NIGHT
DINNER**
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★ THE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ALTER THE PROGRAM WITHOUT NOTICE ★

*For further
information:*



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*See you
at Atherton!*



CHINCHILLA

— CLAY TARGET CLUB —

\$17,000 PRIZE POOL

3RD – 5TH OCTOBER 2026

Long Weekend

PRACTICE FROM 3PM FRIDAY

SATURDAY 3RD OCTOBER

9.00AM START

EVENT 1 30 T MEDLEY

10T DB – 10T SB – 10T Points
O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C 1st & 2nd

EVENT 2 30 T SINGLE BARREL

O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C 1st & 2nd

EVENT 3 50 T DOUBLE BARREL

O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C 1st & 2nd

UNDER LIGHTS HANDICAP SHOOT OUT

Lucky Draw

12 RANDOM SHOOTERS DRAWN TO SHOOT
1st \$200 | 2nd \$100 | 3rd \$50

SUNDAY 4TH OCTOBER

8.30AM START

EVENT 4 50 T POINTS SCORE

O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C
1st, 2nd & 3rd – L, J & V

EVENT 5 50 T \$3,000 CASH HANDICAP

1st \$1500	2nd \$600
3rd \$400	4th \$300
5th \$200	

HIGH GUNS

O/A – AA, A, B, C –
Ladies, Veterans & Juniors
(Ev 1–5)

(50T EVENTS SHOT IN 2 VISITS
OF 25T EACH)

MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER

9.00AM START

EVENT 1 50 PAIR DOUBLE RISE CHAMPIONSHIP

(NOT INCLUDED IN HIGH GUNS)

O/A Sash, AA, A, B & C
1st & 2nd



★ **PLUS \$5000** ★

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LAPORTE TWINLAP TRAPS

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★ The committee reserves the right to alter or change the program if necessary. ★

2026 GCTC

BALL TRAP TWO DAY CARNIVAL

EVENT CAPPED AT 42 SHOOTERS



SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 9AM

Event 1: 25T Double Barrel Ball Trap

1st & 2nd in AA, A, B & C Grades

\$25

Event 2: 50T 2026 GCTC Club Championship

Overall - \$ & Sash

1st & 2nd in AA, A, B & C Grades

\$50

SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 9AM

Event 3: 75T 2026 Commonwealth Ball Trap Championship

Overall - \$ & Sash

1st & 2nd in AA, A, B & C Grades

\$75

Total if shooting full program (OPEN): **\$125**

Total if shooting full program (L,J,V): **\$115**

OVERALL HIGH GUN

Sash & Cash

EVENT INFORMATION

PRACTICE AVAILABLE FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER FROM 12PM

NOMINATIONS AVAILABLE 4TH OF SEPTEMBER VIA MCMS

CAMPING AVAILABLE

BAR & KITCHEN FACILITIES AVAILABLE

AMMUNITION AVAILABLE

EFTPOS FACILITIES AVAILABLE



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT US ON

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Secretary: David Hermann 0400 758 362 / Treasurer: Leslie Arumugam 0457 792 844

Email: gladstoneclubbigpond.com

Stay up to date on our facebook page: www.facebook.com/gladstoneclaytargetclub

The G.C.T.C Executive Committee reserves the right to alter the program or fees

GYMPIE CLAY TARGET CLUB



★ **TOTAL PRIZE POOL \$16000** ★

★ **Friday 9th October 2026** – Practice from 2pm

★ **Saturday 10th October 2026** – Starting 9am

EVENT 1 – 25T DB CD

Sponsored by Sullivan Livestock

EVENT 2 – 30T Handicap

Sponsored by Mt Pleasant Hotel
& Cooloola Heavy Haulage

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	\$3000 Prize Money & Sash
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EVENT 3 – 50T D/B Championship

Sponsored by Your Reality
& JES Motorsport

O/A	AA	A	B	C	L	J	V	\$2500 Prize Money
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★ **Sunday 11th October 2026** – Starting 8.30am

EVENT 4 – 45T Medley

Sponsored by Iron Clad Roofing
& Tool Kit Depot

O/A	AA	A	B	C	L	J	V	\$2500 Cash & Prizes
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EVENT 5 – 30T Points

Sponsored by Gympie 4 x 4
& Gympie Motor Group

O/A	AA	A	B	C	L	J	V	\$2500 Cash & Prizes
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EVENT 6 – 15 P D/Rise

Sponsored by Morley Family
& Haymans Electrical
VIC TIPMANN MEMORIAL

O/A	AA	A	B	C	L	J	V	\$2500 Cash & Prizes
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★ **High Guns – Overall -Grades and Sections – Sash & Prizes** ★

PRE NOMIATIONS - MCMS / FULL PROGRAM WILL BE CAPPED @ 125 PEOPLE

Open - \$165 ★ L & V - \$155 ★ Junior - \$115

4 LAYOUTS – LAPORTE TRAPS – WHITE FLYER TARGETS

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129/150; OA HG: T Price 192/200.

Mount Gambier 08/08/2026

Fine (28): 25T CONT/PS: AA: G Height 71/75, T Jenkins 69/75; A: K Atkin 73/81, M Nolte 72/81; B: W Wombwell 63/75, A Nolte 62/75; C: G Bowd 47/75, M Copping 46/75; 25T SB: AA: J Kent 28/28, W Lindner 27/28; A: K Atkin 23/25, G Kessegian 22/25; B: A Nolte 23/25, F Baker 21/25; C: M Copping 19/25, G Bowd 16/25; 30T DB: AA: T Jenkins 48/48, J Kent 47/48; A: M Medhurst 29/30, D Robinson 31/33; B: P Winsor 30/30, F Baker 29/31; C: G Bowd 26/30, B Case 24/30; HG: G Height 123/130.

South Australian 09/08/2026

Windy Mild (43): 25T TWR: OA: P Kay 29/32; A: P Kay 29/32, B Baker 28/32; B: L Forza 20/25; VET: R Warden 29/32; 50T SKT: OA: R Warden 57/59; A: R Warden 57/59, L Schubert 56/59; B: N Dimasi 46/50; C: D Brown 37/50; VET: L Schubert 56/59; 50T SKT: OA: R Warden 50/51; A: R Warden 50/51, B Baker 49/51; B: N Dimasi 43/50; C: D Brown 40/50; VET: P Kay 47/50; 25T CONT PS: OA:

B Cook 91/93; AA: B Cook 91/93, R Clark 72/75; A: M Bretag 71/75, R Borzillo 70/75; B: L Schubert 88/93, P Marmorale 68/75; C: S Byrnes 64/75, G Letterio 59/75; VET: R Warden; 30T MXD: OA: W Reed 49/50; AA: R Clark 47/50, R Warden 45/50; A: W Reed 49/50, M Bretag 47/50; B: G Carter 43/50, A Souter 58/75; C: L Boddington 43/50, S Byrnes 35/50; VET: R Borzillo 44/50; 30T DB: OA: C Bentley 65/65; AA: C Bentley 65/65, B Cook 33/34; A: M Bretag 64/65, W Reed 29/30; B: G Carter 29/30, P Marmorale 28/30; C: D Robinson 28/30, G Letterio 27/30 VET: R Borzillo 28/30; 25T HC: Ist, B Duncan 23/26; 2nd, P Bourne 22/26; 3rd, T De Padova 22/26; 4th, R Borzillo 21/26; 5th, G Carter 25/30; 6th, M Pontifex 24/30; 25T SB: OA: C Bentley 24/25; AA: C Bentley 24/25, R Warden 26/28; A: M Breta 23/25, W Reed 22/25; B: B Duncan 22/25, P Marmorale 23/27; C: S Byrnes 26/34, G Letterio 25/34; 30T DB: OA: R Clark 32/33; AA: R Clark 32/33, C Bentley 28/30; A: T De Padova 31/33, M

Bretag 65/67; B: G Carter 28/30, L Schubert 34/37; C: G Letterio 28/30, L Boddington 27/30; HG SKT: TWR: B Baker 119/125; OA HG: R Warden 327/360; DTL HG: M Bretag 219/235; VET HG: R Borzillo 211/235.

Southern Yorke Peninsula 22/08/2026

Perfect (23): 100T S/C: OA HG: B Anderson 84/100; A: D Allen 76/100; B: T Piteo 81/100, N Jordan 75/100; C: B Papps 61/100, T Haggerty 60/100; 50T DB: A: S Bowley 55/58, D Ryan 49/54; B: T Piteo 51/55, P Roney 48/53; C: S Haggerty 38/50; OA: S Bowley 52/55; 25PR D/R: C: T Johnson 42/50, J Meaney 34/50; 2 DAY OA HG: T Piteo 156/200.

Wilkawatt 07/08/2026

Overcast/rainy (15) (48): 25T PS CD: D Oliviero 75/75, L Batten 75/75, I Findlay 74/75, T Monaghan 74/75, T Stringer 74/75.

Wilkawatt 08/08/2026

Overcast/rainy (15) (62): 50T PS: OA: L Holtham 147/50; AA: T Stringer 145/150, W Reed 144/150; A: R Batson 155/162, E Yetman

152/162; B: J Raper 145/150, A Hulland 144/150; C: P Bourne 133/150, C Barnes 128/150. 50T Anniversary DB CS: OA: L Batten 68/68; AA: T Stringer 67/68, W Reed 54/55; A: Andrew Estcourt 66/67, E Yetman 52/53; B: R Wheaton 48/50, P Hendy 66/69; C: K Simon 45/50, C Barnes 44/50; LAD: K Anderson 48/50; JNR: C Dodson 51/55; VET: R Damin 50/51; Day 1 HG: OA: L Holtham 210/215; LAD: V Batten 185/200; JNR: C Dodson 171/200; VET: E Yetman 193/200.

Wilkawatt 09/08/2026

Overcast/rainy (15) (60): 10T E/O: Ist: M Grundy 30/30, G Carter 30/30, A Letto 30/30, A Hulland 30/30. 50T Medley (25T DB, 25T PS): OA: A Letto 166/168; AA: L Batten 162/168, T Stringer 98/100; A: T Monaghan 97/100, M Hayes 96/100; B: M Barnes 97/100, R Faux 107/112; C: A Megson 95/100, D Rich 91/100; 50T State CONT SB: OA: D Beelitz 54/58; AA: I Findlay 53/58, A Letto 49/54; A: M Batten 46/51; K Anderson 45/50; B: C Dodson 44/50, A Hulland



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ISSF STATE CARNIVAL 26th & 27th Sept 2026

Venue: State Shooting Park 65 Carmello Rd Buckland Park, South Australia

Friday 25th September	12.00pm	Official Practice – Trap, Skeet – host club may hold pre-event	
Saturday 26th September	9:00am	Trap	75 targets
	9.30am	Skeet	75 targets
Sunday 27th September	9:00am	Trap	last 50 targets + Combined Finals
	9.30am	Skeet	last 50 targets + Combined Finals

Event Entry Fee (full noms) Juniors free under 18yrs
Trap OR Skeet \$ 118 + \$2 Jnr Levy O/A sash per final, medallions 2nd & 3rd, - 1st & 2nd in AA, A, B, C,
Minimum of three competitors required to make Finals and graded competition

Combined finals will be held across both disciplines

If insufficient data in MCMS to grade a shooter, they will be graded at the completion of their 4th round (100t)

SA State Postal team selections over qualifying event

\$20 one off additional fee for nominations on the day - MCMS for pre-nominations from mid July
pre-nominations only via MCMS



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STATE SKEET CARNIVAL

6th to 8th November 2026

Venue: State Shooting Park, Carmelo Road, Buckland Park, Virginia

Nominations opening on MCMS late September 2026

Pre-Nominations close Wednesday 4th November - \$20 one time fee to nom on the day

Thursday 5th 11am -Host Club holding Sub-gauges 410 & 28g

Friday 9-00 am

Event 1: SACTA "Adelaide Gun Shop" 50t State Skeet 20 Gauge Championship

Pre-nominations \$50 V,L \$45, Jnrs free

Event 2: SACTA "SACTA" 50t State Skeet Handicap Championship

Pre-nomination \$50 V,L \$45, Jnrs free



Saturday 8-00 am for zone teams - TONIGHT -Saturday night Shooter Gathering & lucky door prize

8am start - Event Z: 25 Tgt Open Zone Team Shoot

Event 3: SACTA "Bronzewing" 100t State Skeet Championship

Pre-nomination \$90 V,L \$85, Jnrs free



Sunday 8-00 am

8am start - Event T: Postal Teams Match Open, V, L,J

Event 4: SACTA "Hardwicks Accountants" 50t State Ch/ Champions Championship

25t 12g / 25t 20g

Pre-nomination \$50 V,L \$45 Jnrs free



Event 5: SACTA "Adelaide Gun Shop" 50t State Skeet Doubles Championship

Pre-nomination \$50 V,L \$45 Jnrs free



State Sashes for Overall on Events 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5

1st and 2nd AA, A, B, C and 1st V/L/J on Events 1, 3, 4 & 5 Event 2 - 1st to 5th

Overall High Gun on Events 1 - 5 (410 & 28g not in HG's)



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Graded High Guns Events 1 – 5

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Postal Team Selected over Events 2 & 3

All Juniors are entitled to free noms and eligible for all trophies. Reduced nominations does not affect Team Selection.

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43/50; C: A Megson 41/50, D Rich 40/50; Day 2 HG: OA: A Letto 145/150; LAD: K Anderson 138/152; JNR: C Dodson 134/150; VET: D Beelitz 140/150; 2-Day HG: OA: L Batten 337/350;

AA: T Stringer 332/350; A: T Monaghan 328/350; B: S Bowley 324/350; C: A Megson 293/350; LAD: K Anderson 319/350; JNR: C Dodson 305/350; VET: I Findlay 330/350.



NSWCTA

Majura Park 12/08/2026

Raining (7): 50T CS: 25T DB 25T PS: OPEN: S Smith 96/100; AA: M Skinner 95/100; A: P Place 93/100; B: M Bartlett 85/100; C: J Agnew 88/100.

Majura Park 19/08/2026

Night shoot, calm (18): 30T Medley (10T DB, 10T SB, 10T PS): OPEN: C Goodwin 50/50 50 / 50; AA: T Bank 48/50 48 / 50; A: M Harris 69/75 45 / 50; B: K Willetts 40/50 40 / 50; C: J Agnew 46/50 46 / 50; 50T UT HC: 1st T Quill 53, 2nd J O'Brien 50, 3rd B Burgess 48.

Majura Park 26/08/2026

Cool (17): 30T PS C/D: AA: C Goodwin 90/90; A: S Smith 86/90, A Jarvis 86/90; B: K

Willetts 85/90; C: J Agnew 85/90. 25T HC Masters Rd 8: OPEN: 1st M Reid 34/34, OPEN: 2nd S Smith 33/34, OPEN: 3rd A Jarvis 31/32.

Majura Park 02/09/2026

Fine (16): 75T Ch/Ch (18m): OPEN: D Power 125/125; AA: J O'Brien 122/125; A: A Jarvis 118/125; B: K Willetts 112/125; C: J Agnew 105/125.

Majura Park 06/09/2026

Warm slight breeze (23): 50T PR D/R CS: OPEN: D Power 95/100; AA: B Shingles 89/100; A: S Waugh 90/100; B: G Serafin 91/110; C: K Cox 80/100; VET: L Galea 89/120. 20T PR DD (20m): OPEN: T Quill, D Power 28/28, T Banks, B Shingles 27/28.

Majura Park 09/09/2026

Night shoot, freezing and windy (17): 40T SB CS: OPEN: T Quill 39/40; AA: M Skinner 38/40; A: A Jarvis 37/40; B: D Churchill 31/40; C: P Nrain 21/40; 50T ISSF HC: 1st K Willetts 36/50 30/50, 2nd M Harris 35/50 33/50, 2nd T Quill 35/50 35/50.

Richmond River 16/08/2026

(27): 75 Ch/Ch: CS: OA: G Findlay 118/125; AA: G Kable & D Bodley 117/125; A: G Findlay 118/125, A Thomas 116/125; B: Donnie Johnson 99/125, S Green & T Schneider 95/125; C: I Sullivan 85/125, J Denman 81/125; 50T

Medley (25T DB, 25T PS): AA: D Bodley 99/100, P Batson 98/100; A: O Wood 97/100, M Sullivan 94/100; B: R Jackson 80/100, T Schneider 79/100; C: I Sullivan 91/120 (76/100), D Moore 89/120 (76/100); OA HG: D Bodley 216/225. Intermediate HG: Donnie Johnson 175/225.

Richmond River 30/08/2026

(17): 100T Sporting: AA: F Scibilia 94/100, S Lavelle 87/100; A: S Green 88/100, S Heath-Dalby 87/100; B: A Rodowicz 87/100, M Perkins 81/100; C: M Everingham 92/100, A Clarke 66/100.



WACTA

Peel 23/08/2026

16 deg (56): 100T DB: OA: E Featherstone 134/134; AA: E Featherstone 134/134, P House 133/134, D Smith 98/100, B Sims/T Hearn 97/100; A: R Riggs 99/100, C Shales 97/100,

J Santostefano/R Herridge 96/100; B: R Carstairs 97/102, M Tucker 96/102, B Finlay 100/107, G Gilligan 99/107; C: T Moroney 92/100, R Finn 85/100, P Scott 85/100, R Santostefano 81/100.

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2026 NSW STATE TRAP CARNIVAL

NATIONAL SHOOTING GROUNDS - WAGGA WAGGA

FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER - MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER

Friday 2nd October, 10.00am Start

Event 1 NSWCTA Beretta Australia Champion of Champions

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$85

75 Targets from 18m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal

3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash



Followed by;

Zone Teams Matches (Open, Ladies, Juniors & Veterans)

Saturday 3rd October, 8.30am Start

Event 2 NSWCTA "J & A Geotech" Double Rise Championship

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$55

25 Pairs from 15m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal

3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash



Saturday 3rd October

Event 3 NSWCTA SF Outdoor Group Double Barrel Championship

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$55

50 Targets from 15m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal

3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash

*NSW Registered Juniors get FREE nomination in this event



Monday 5th October, 8.30am Start

Event 6 NSWCTA Winchester Points Score Championship

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$55

50 Targets from 15m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal 3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash

*NSW Registered Juniors get FREE nominations in this event

Followed by NSW Postal Teams Match

Sunday 4th October

Event 5 Wagga Caravan Centre NSWCTA Single Barrel Championship

Pre-Nominations: All Entries \$55

50 Targets from 15m

OA - Sash

1st AA,A,B,C - Medal

2nd AA,A,B,C - Medal

3rd AA,A,B,C - Medal

Ladies, Veterans, Juniors - Sash

*NSW Registered Juniors get FREE Nominations in this event



Nominations are now open through My Club My Scores

Pre-Nominations close Wednesday 30th September 2026 at 5pm

A \$10 late fee per competition day, payable if nominating in person.

Zone Teams Photos will be before the Opening Ceremony, Zone Teams & Ch/Ch Presentations along with the Hall of Fame Presentations of Dan Power will be on Friday 2nd October.

A Carvery Dinner will be available for \$35 per head, bookings for the Carvery close 2pm Friday 18th September. Bookings can be made through MCMS and the NSWCTA Office via emailing nswcta1@bigpond.com or phoning 0404 716 034

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AA, A, B, C HIGH GUN - EVENTS 1 to 6

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Junior State Team - 25T Points

Six highest scores Events 3, 5 & 6

Veteran State Team - 25T points

Six highest scores Events 3, 5 & 6

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ALL EVENTS = OVERALL + 1ST 2ND 3RD
EACH GRADE

Please note WACTA/EGCTC has the discretion
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Friday 25 September 12pm start:

Event 1: 75 Target Champion of Champions
State Title 18m

Saturday 26 September 8am start:

Event 2: 25 Pair Double Rise State Title

Event 3: 50 Target Handicap State Title
Paying 1st - 5th

Sunday 27 September 8am start:

Event 4: 50 Target Single Barrel State Title

Event 5: 50 Double Barrel State Title

Monday 28 September 8am start:

Event 6: 50 Target Double Barrel Pointscore

Zone Event: Zone DTL Stand Alone Event

Teams Event: State Title DTL Team Selection

Shoot-off (Conditions Apply)

Other event throughout the carnival:

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Contact our President Royce 0439 923 616 or
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Hosted at WAGC Whiteman Park Shooting Complex, Perth, WA.

State events to commence at 8:30am daily

Friday 16th October - Sunday 18th October 2026

Placing Overall - Graded AA, A, B, C, 1st, 2nd, 3rd plus Vetrans, Ladies and Juniors.
A minimum of two competitors must compete in sections & grades to constitute a competition.

FRIDAY 16th of OCTOBER, 2026

EVENT 1: Western Australian State Title 28G Skeet Championship of 50 Targets

EVENT 2: Western Australian State Title 410G Skeet Championship of 50 Targets

EVENT 3: Western Australian State Skeet Handicap Championship of 50 Targets
Placings 1st to 5th

SATURDAY 17th of OCTOBER, 2026

EVENT 4: Western Australian State Zone Championship of 25 Targets

EVENT 5: Western Australian State Title 12G Skeet Championship of 100 Targets

EVENT 6 & 7: Western Australian State Open Team Championship of 50 Targets
Team is selected on events 3 and 5. To be shot Saturday afternoon if time permits.

SUNDAY 18th of OCTOBER, 2026

EVENT 8: Western Australian State Title Skeet Doubles Championship of 50 Targets

EVENT 9: Western Australian State Title 20G Skeet Championship of 50 Targets

EVENT 10: Western Australian State Title Skeet Champion of Champions
To be eligible, shooter must enter events 1, 2, 5 & 9 (28, 410 bore, 12, 20 gauge events).
Championship score is the total of the last (25 tgts) score in each of the 4 events.

High Guns on Events 3, 5 and 8

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Bendigo continues Compak growth with new four-ground format

Another successful Compak Sporting event was conducted by the Bendigo Clay Target Club, attracting 57 competitors despite overcast and, at times, blustery conditions. With the Victorian State Sporting Clays Championships being conducted at Laang on the same weekend, club officials were pleased with the turnout, further confirming the continuing growth of the Compak discipline.

The day's competition was the first to be conducted over Bendigo's new four-ground format, with 25 targets on each layout. The addition of two recently purchased Promatic traps from OTC proved a worthwhile investment, allowing the event to run quickly and efficiently. Shooting commenced at 10.00 am, was completed by 2.00 pm, and presentations concluded just half an hour later, making the trip home much easier for the many travelling competitors.

The club intends to continue using the four-ground format for future Compak events, ensuring it can comfortably accommodate the larger fields expected as participation in the discipline continues to increase.

Despite the occasionally tricky conditions, Nick Guerra (Maryborough) produced the most consistent shooting of the day, compiling four rounds of 24 to finish on 96/100 and claim the Overall Championship.

AA Grade honours went to Michael Coll (Bendigo) with 95/100, while fellow Bendigo shooter Michael Keirl was runner-up on 94/100.

A Grade winner was Angelo Axiak (WVCTC) with 94/100, finishing three targets clear of Nick Dean (Echuca) on 91/100.

The closest finish of the day came in B Grade, where both William Keirl (Bendigo) and Lachie McGinniss (Patchewollock) completed the championship on 84/100. The shoot-off saw William hold his nerve to claim the grade, finishing on 102/125, with McGinniss runner-up, 100/125.

In C Grade, Des Spiteri (Maryborough) claimed victory with 82/100, ahead of Vincenzo Crocitti (Bendigo) on 67/100.



Nick Guerra, 100 target Compak Overall with No. 1 fan

The sectional awards also featured several impressive performances. Marcus Keirl (Bendigo) won the Junior section with 87/100, while Emma Keirl (Bendigo) captured the Ladies title on 78/100, ensuring the Keirl family enjoyed an outstanding day. Christiaan Basson (Frankston) claimed the Veteran award with 82/100, while Bryan Rafferty (Maryborough) took the Masters section on 71/100.

Excellent meat trays supplied by Strath Hill Butchers proved popular with the prize winners, with club officials joking that the Keirl family alone



Ladies Emma Keirl



Juniors Marcus Keirl



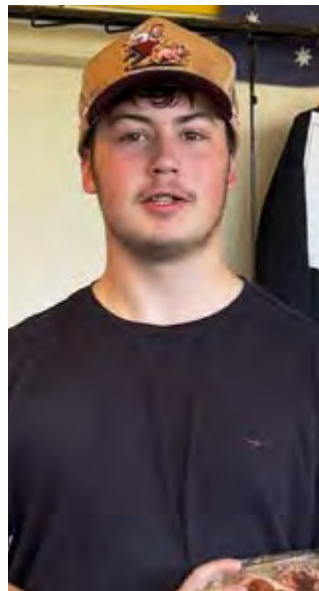
A Grade 2nd Nick Dean



A grade 1st Angelo Axiak



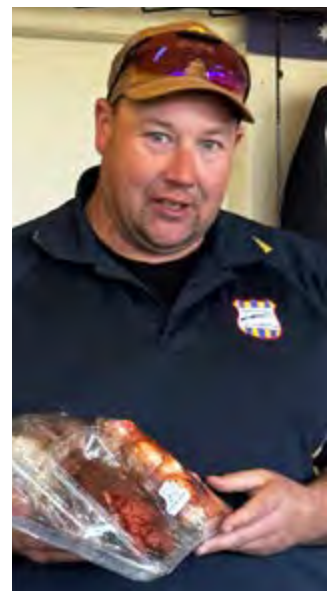
B grade 2nd Lachie McGinniss



B grade 1st William Keirl



AA 2nd Michael Keirl



AA grade 1st Michael Coll



C grade 1st Des Spiteri & President Glenn Woodhatch

would have filled their refrigerator for the week after Emma, William and Marcus each collected a section or grade victory.

Bendigo also extended its thanks to the many volunteers whose efforts ensured another successful day of competition.

Looking ahead, Bendigo members are reminded of the annual Mountain Duck Challenge against Bendigo Field & Game. The opening round will be contested at Bendigo Field & Game on 24 October, with the return leg at Bendigo Clay Target Club on 7 November.

With 100 targets to be shot at each venue, the club is encouraging a strong turnout as it looks to successfully defend the trophy.

Bega hosts State Deauville Doubles

The weather is always an issue when shooting and Bega made sure that the State Deauville Doubles Championships on Sunday 6th September had an interesting breeze to heighten the entertainment value. Targets went up, always suddenly, targets went down and occasionally flew as they should. Twenty-five shooters attended, divided into six squads. To make up the day's program, 50 targets Double Barrel and 20 pair of Double Rise were added.

Event one, 50 targets DB was shot across both traps and Mark Corbett collected a neat 47/50 to win

AA/A by one target from Charlie Smith on 46/50. Craig Field sorted out B Grade with a pair of 22's for 44/50 with Bert Deacon again one target back, 43/50. C Grade saw John Walker almost have a coronary, shooting 24/25 in his second round, to give him a total of 45/50 for first place with Zip Summerell taking second spot with 43/50.

A short stop for another Jackie-supplied lunch of hot rolls followed by dessert and yes with heaps of cream. The Deauville Doubles Championship began and the breeze emerged to play with targets going up and down with gay abandon much to everyone's



Mark Corbett, 1st AA/A gr Double Barrel; 1st B gr Double Rise with presenter Keith Pearce



NSW Deauville Doubles Champions, Dean Shipton & Keith Pearce



Craig Field, 1st B gr Double Barrel



Bert Deacon, 2nd B gr Double Barrel



Runners-up 2026 Deauville Doubles, Robert Corbin & Ray Welch



Charlie Smith 2nd AA/ A gr Double Barrel



John Walker, 1st C gr Double Barrel; 1st C gr Double Rise



Charlie Smith & Chris Brown shared AA/A Double Rise



Dean Shipton, OA Double Rise

joy. At the end of the event, Dean Shipton and Keith Pearce emerged with the great score of 14 to win the sash and ammo prize. Second place went to Ray Welch and Robert Corban with a well-collected 13.

Double Rise is always fun and in overall winning position was Dean Shipton with a score of 30/40. Charlie Smith and Chris Brown tied on 28/40 and



John Walker and Brian Smith, new life members of Bega Gun Club



Johan Ras, 2nd C gr Double Rise



Ray Welch, 2nd B gr Double Rise

decided to share the prize. B Grade went to Mark Corbett, 29/40 with Ray Welch on 27/40 taking second. 28/40 was enough for John Walker to score first place with Johan Ras taking second with 23/40.

At presentations, a youthful 90+ Brian Smith was presented with his Life Membership for his contribution to the Club and the sport of shooting over many years. Congratulations to a fine club member, recognised by the presentation of Brian's life membership badge and a great round of applause.

Next month we will shoot on Sunday 4th October. Even though I have mislaid my program, I guarantee if you join us you will have a great time and a fabulous lunch.

Western Zone Monthly Muster

Around the traps in the Western Zone begins in **ROMA**. Skeet and Double Barrel started the program off, featuring enough shoot-offs to keep everyone standing around just a little longer than planned. 13 pair of Skeet Doubles, Greg Matson took the overall with 22/26 + 12/12, while Richard Morrison pushed him all the way in B Grade.

Then came the Roma Double Barrel Cup, where Greg Matson somehow managed to go 100/100 in the main event and then 105/105 in the shoot-off.

Richard Morrison was equally impressive finishing on 100/100 + 104/105. Steph Matson claimed Ladies High Gun with 117/126, while Henry Johnson took Junior High Gun and continues to make the older shooters increasingly uncomfortable about the future.

A special mention goes to Merv Phillips, who survived a shoot-off with Steph Matson, and to Helen Wilkin, who survived the event, and watched as Ian Allen donated to the Pawpaw Club. The Pawpaw Club remains one of the fastest-growing organisations in regional Queensland.

ST GEORGE CLAY TARGET CLUB

St George welcomed 17 shooters for its August monthly shoot. Nathan McKee took Open High Gun with 144/165, while Angus Gunn from Goondiwindi wandered across the border and politely reminded everyone that visitors are allowed to win things too, taking AA Grade with 139/165.

Todd Bradfield continued his excellent form by winning A Grade and producing a standout 38/40 in the Double Rise.

The biggest cheer, however, belongs to Cooper Robertson, a genuinely impressive run through C Grade. Another win, another sash, and another reminder that confidence is a dangerous thing once it starts snowballing. Cooper is rapidly becoming the bloke everyone notices when nominations close.

St George also presented its annual members high gun trophy, with Dean Champion taking the perpetual trophy with 1067/1420.

CHINCHILLA CLAY TARGET CLUB

Chinchilla's Continental Cup produced one of the best stories of the week.



Happy winners at Chinchilla

Drew Sturgess, a junior shooter competing in B Grade, walked away with Overall High Gun on 71/80 + 10/10, defeating both an A Grade and AA Grade shooter in the shoot-off.

Drew also won B Grade in both the Double Barrel Continental and the Single Barrel Continental, so by the time the shoot-off arrived he was already having a weekend to remember. Junior shooters keep on proving that the future of Western Zone shooting is in annoyingly capable hands.

The Double Rise delivered a beauty of a finish. Richard Makin won A Grade after a shoot-off with Les Merton, Mal Collins took B Grade, and Richard Gore won C Grade with 33/40.

And yes, the Pawpaw Club was active here as well. Brenda Collins donated the fruit in a shoot-off against Jeffery Mitchell.

KINGAROY CLAY TARGET CLUB

Kingaroy's CWB Plumbing sponsored shoot delivered excellent scores across all three events, along with enough shoot-off drama to keep spectators well entertained.

Brock Schrag was the standout performer, taking Overall High Gun with 94/100 and winning AA Grade in every event.

The A Grade battle was tight all day, with Greg Kocho and Steve McCullough eventually tying for A Grade High Gun on 90/100, while Bryan Zelinski claimed B Grade High Gun with 88/100.

The real comedy came in the B Grade Double Barrel,

where Bree Schrag and Bryan Zelinski somehow managed to create a perfect Pawpaw Club double act. Bree missed the last target of the event, Bryan missed the first target of the shoot-off, and somewhere a pawpaw tree produced a standing ovation.



In C Grade, Dick Burns edged out David O'Hanlon by a single point for High Gun.

August 8th & 9th – This week saw shooters scattered from Quilpie to Condamine, Central Burnett and beyond

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The Quilpie Annual Sporting Carnival attracted 47 shooters, with competitors making the trip from the Sunshine Coast, Gold Coast, Glen Innes, Toowoomba and just about everywhere in between. Saturday turned on some absolutely cracking weather, while Sunday decided that everyone had been having far too much fun and introduced a healthy dose of wind.

Saturday's 100 target event kicked things off, with Cameron McConnell taking out AA Grade, while Roger Willems, Fred Bruwer, and Joel Zeller claimed the top spots in A, B, and C Grade respectively.

Then came novelty night, which is where accuracy becomes optional and chaos becomes a recognised discipline. Cam McConnell and Henry Belfour took the win, with Nick Squires and Travis Johansen second and Kevin Sweeney and Brett Walker third.

Sunday belonged to Dean Crouch, who stepped up to take out AA Grade, while Roger Willems doubled down with another A Grade win. Luke Baker was best in B Grade, and Dave Lehmann claimed C Grade, proving that consistency is a dangerous thing in the west.

The High Gun results wrapped up the weekend in style: Overall High Gun: Dean Crouch, AA Doug Osborne, A Roger Willems, B Luke Baker, C Dave Lehmann, Veteran Terry Ward, Ladies Kerri Thompson, Junior Nate.

CONDAMINE GUN CLUB

August monthly – Saturday was another picture-perfect day at Condamine.

Event 1 20 pair Double Rise: Steph Matson got the day off to an absolutely cracking start with an incredible 38/40. AA Grade: Clayton Cusack 37/40, A Grade Matthew Millar 34/40, B Grade Bill Allan 32/40, C Grade: Neil James 33/40.

Event 2 50 target SB/PS Medley: Mark Pomeranke took the honours with a massive 98/100. AA Grade Keiron Jeffery 96/100, A Grade Steph Matson 96/100, B Grade Dave Newberry 95/100, C Grade Robert Bliss 81/100.



Condamine High Gun Steph Matson

Event 3 25 target Handicap: Scott Pomeranke finished on 24/25 + 1/1 to take the win.

Clayton Cusack also finished on 24/25, but unfortunately found himself on the wrong side of the shoot-off, finishing with 0/1.

Overall High Gun: When the traps had stopped



Condamine



before anyone starts getting concerned, Pat is very much alive and kicking! Taking the Overall win was Mike Stewart with a very tidy 98/100. AA Grade Brock Schrag 96/100. A Grade Drew



Central Burnett Junior High Gun Mitchell Anger



Steph Matson sitting on top of the pile with an outstanding; 157/165

CENTRAL BURNETT GUN CLUB

Pat Moloney Memorial 100T Double Barrel. Central Burnett hosted the Pat Moloney Memorial 100 Target Double Barrel and



Central Burnett Overall High Gun



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Central Burnett C Grade High Gun Todd McInnes



Central Burnett AA Grade
High Gun Brock Schrag



Central Burnett A Grade
High Gun Drew Sturgess



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High Gun Kelly Sturgess



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Sturgess 96/100, Jason Darlington 95/100 + 1/1, Craig Barnes 95/100 + 0/1. B Grade Ben Evans 93/100 + 2/2, Bree Schrag 93/100 + 1/2, Bryan Zelinski 92/100. C Grade Todd McInnes 90/100, Terry Jackson 89/100, Wendy Peebles 84/100 + 3/4.

We reckon every memorial should come with the option of being there to enjoy it yourself!

MOONIE

On August 15–16 Moonie was the place to be, with shooters from across the region and plenty from outside the Western Zone descending on the club for a massive program. And judging by the results, they weren't there for a quiet social weekend. The targets were absolutely punished.

Event 1 25 target Cash Divide: AA Grade Les Merton Chinchilla 25/25, Brock Schrag Dalby 25/25. A Grade Greg Kocho Condamine 25/25, Craig Polsen Callide Dawson 25/25, Ray Christie Tarawera 25/25. B Grade Ben Maher Moonie 24/25, Bree Schrag Dalby 24/25, Ken Giltrow Moonie 24/25, John McNaulty St George 24/25.

C Grade Henry Pitman Moree 25/25, Gordon Hiles Moonie 24/25, Phil Mills Moonie 24/2.



Moonie



Event 2 50 target Points Score: Things immediately became more serious. AA Grade Blake Schwartz Moree 145/150, Brock Schrag Dalby 144/150 + 6/6, Micky Gibbs Goondiwindi 144/150 + 3/6. A Grade Guy McPherson Toompine 149/150, Craig Barnes Dalby 146/150, Angus Gunn Goondiwindi 145/150 + 20/21. B Grade John McNaulty St George 141/150, Ben Maher Moonie 140/150 + 21/21, Dave Newberry St George 140/150 + 18/21. C Grade Phil Mills Moonie 145/150, Trent Burey Goondiwindi 126/150 + 2/3, Bryce Burey Goondiwindi 126/150 + 0/3.

Event 3 50 target Continental: Three shooters all shot the full 50. Which meant, naturally, they had



Moonie

to keep shooting. Because apparently 50/50 isn't enough anymore. AA Grade Blake Schwartz Moree 50/50 + 64/64, Mark Pomerence Condamine 50/50 + 63/64, Jason Sipple Tarawera 50/50 +

12/13. A Grade Toby Maher Moonie 50/50 + 9/9, Jim McNulty St George 50/50 + 8/9, Clay Maher Richmond River 50/50 + 0/1. B Grade Ben Maher Moonie 48/50 + 6/6, Cameron Fea Tarawera 48/50



Moonie



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Millar Condamine 25/25.
A Grade Scott Pomerence
Condamine 25/25, Jamie Dixon
Chinchilla 25/25, Craig Polsen
Callide Dawson 25/25, Philip
McWhirter Roma 25/25, Jim
McNulty St George 25/25.
B Grade Ian Burey Glen Innes
24/25. C Grade Peter Gray
Goondiwindi 24/25.

Event 5 50 target Medley +
25 target Double Barrel + 25
target Points: And now for the
event that really separated the
committed from the people
quietly wondering when the
barbecue was going to start.

AA Grade Jason Sipple
Tarawera 98/100 + 79/80,
Jessica Robb Tarawera 98/100
+ 78/80, Brock Schrag Dalby

98/100 + 16/20. A Grade Jim McNulty St George
100/100, Clay Maher Richmond River 98/100
+ 37/40, Guy McPherson Toompine 98/100 +
33/40. B Grade Claud Nicula Moonie 91/100 +
17/20, Stuart MacKenzie St George 91/100 +
10/20, Dave Newberry St George 90/100. C Grade
Henry Pitman Moree 94/100, Scott Borchardt
Moonie 92/100, Gordon Hiles Moonie 91/100.

Event 6 30 target Handicap: Ben Maher Moonie
30/30 + 11/11, Micky Gibbs Goondiwindi 30/30
+ 10/11, Jade Baker Moree 30/30 + 0/1, John

+ 5/6, Tony Robb Tarawera 46/50 + 3/3. C Grade
Henry Pitman Moree 47/50, Gordon Hiles Moonie
44/50, Trent Burey Goondiwindi 43/50.

Henry was continuing to quietly put together
an excellent weekend. No fuss. No dramatic
declarations. Just score after score after score.

Event 4 25 target Cash Divide Double Barrel: AA
Grade Mark Pomerence Condamine 25/25, Les
Merton Chinchilla 25/25, Brock Schrag Dalby
25/25, Jessica Robb Tarawera 25/25, Matthew

Savage Chinchilla 29/30 + 3/3, Craig Polsen Callide Dawson 29/30 + 2/3.

Ben Maher finished the weekend with a perfect 30/30, followed by a perfect 11/11. That is a very efficient way to finish. Micky Gibbs wasn't far behind with 30/30 + 10/11. And Jade Baker? Well, 30/30 + 0/1.

The Pawpaw™ had been waiting patiently all weekend for one final appearance.

High Guns: Overall Clay Maher, Richmond River 368/380 + 16/16, AA Grade Brock Schrag, Dalby 366/380, A Grade Guy McPherson, Toompine 368/380 + 14/16. B Grade John McNaulty, St George 345/380. C Grade Henry Pitman, Moree 336/380. Junior Gus Gibbs, Goondiwindi 356/380. Ladies Jess Robb, Tarawera 355/380. Veteran Greg Kocho, Condamine 351/380.

DALBY GUN CLUB ANNUAL

22nd & 23rd August: Dalby turned it on for the Annual, and while the numbers may not have been record-breaking, there were still enough shooters present to cause a reasonable amount of damage.

Event 1 30 target Medley: Keiron Jeffery, Mark Pomerence and Paul Hill all decided that missing targets was apparently beneath them, each walking away with a perfect 50/50. Guy McPherson, Scott Pomerence, Pygmy McAndrew, Issy Toop and Graeme Love weren't far behind, all posting 49/50 in A Grade. B Grade belonged to Janet Barden, who put together a cracking 49/50, while Daryl Buchholz took C Grade honours with an impressive 48/50.

And if you're wondering whether Issy Toop's 49/50 was enough to make us suspicious that the juniors are getting entirely too good at this game. Yes. Yes it is.

Event 2 30 target Handicap: The 30 target Handicap wasn't just another event the winner earned a spot in next year's Best in the West Handicap Shootout at the Dalby Annual.

Todd McInnes came out on top, finishing on 29/30 off 15 metres, with a final score of 43/44. Veteran and serial handicap menace Ken McBean was hot on his heels with 42/44, while Craig Stevens finished third on 41/43. John Lord and Keiron Jeffery rounded out the top five.

Congratulations to Todd you've officially earned yourself an invitation to next year's party.

Event 3 50 target Double Barrel: Everyone went

into the Double Barrel thinking they were going to be the one to take it out.

Eventually the field narrowed down to five— three AA Graders, two A Graders.

Results: Open Jackson Stallwood (J, A19), Kingaroy 149/149, AA Grade Mark Pomerence (AA24), Condamine 148/149, Daryl Stevens (V, AA25), Toogoolawah 88/89. A Grade Scott Pomerence (A19), Condamine 52/53, Bill Allan (A19), Dalby 93/94. B Grade Dave Newberry (B17), St George 51/52, Ian Boycon (B17), Toogoolawah 50/52. C Grade Todd McInnes (C15), Central Burnett 46/50, Daniel Morrison (C18), Dalby 56/63.

And then there was Jackson. That 149/149 was tantalisingly close to the elusive 150 but not quite there. Except, as we now know, Jackson wasn't finished. In the next event, he finally cracked the milestone with a long-break countback, officially getting that long-awaited 150 on the board.

Event 4 30 target Points Score: Paul Hill decided he hadn't quite made enough people uncomfortable yet and promptly put together a 189/189 to take the Open. Perfect.

Russell Gordon claimed AA Grade with 186/189, while Carlo Barletta took A Grade with 88/90. John Lord taking B Grade on 92/99, while Robert Taylor claimed C Grade with 77/90.

Event 5 30 target Single Barrel: Single Barrel is traditionally where shooters discover whether their confidence is real or merely a terrible misunderstanding.

Bryan Zelinski apparently had no such concerns, smashing out a 30/30 to take the Open. Paul Hill was back again with a 29/30 for A Grade, while Brock Schrag claimed AA Grade with 29/30 and Stewart Lee followed with 29/30. Ben Evans also managed 29/30 to take B Grade, while Todd McInnes added another C Grade win to his collection with 25/30.

Event 6 20 pair Double Rise: Andrew Nolan took the Open with 46/50, while Dan Johnson claimed AA Grade with 34/40. Mark Pomerence finished A Grade on 44/50, with Brock Schrag second. Scott Pomerence continued the family takeover in B Grade, finishing first with 54/60, while Gary Joass took C Grade with 41/50. Lauren Love also put together a strong performance, taking second in C Grade with 40/50.

High Guns: Open Brock Schrag 278/290, AA Grade Russell Gordon 272/290, A Grade Paul Hill 275/290, B Grade Ben Evans 267/290, C Grade Todd McInnes 242/290. Junior Issy Toop 255/290, Ladies Lauren Love 267/290, Veteran Daryl Stevens 266/290.

EUMAMURRIN GUN CLUB

Saturday monthly. There were 23 nominated, and the Champion of Champions event certainly didn't muck around.

Champion Of Champions, 25 target Double Barrel, 25 target Single Barrel, 25 target Points Score from 18m. Overall: Rohan Jamieson 123/125. AA Grade Bruce Smith 115/125, Bruce Keegan 114/125. A Grade Jack Moller 118/125, Corie Pukallus 112/125. B Grade Herb Smith 110/125, Rabbit Chambers-Rice 106/125, C Grade Hamish Cameron 109/125, Stephen Wilkin 96/125.

Then came the Handicap, where Corie Pukallus put together a perfect 25/25 off 20 metres to take the

win. Corie Pukallus A20 25/25, Ian Johnston A20 23/25, Herb Smith B19 23/25.

And for the Champion of Champions overall result, Rohan Jamieson finished the day on an impressive 145/150.

August 29–30: **CHARLEVILLE** kept things nice and compact this weekend, with 8 competitors nominated four registered shooters and four novices tackling three events.

Small field? Absolutely. Lack of competition? Absolutely not.

Event 1 25 target Double Barrel: B Grade Evan Burney 22/25. C Grade Travis Johansen 22/25, Tavis Sharpe-Jones 22/25. Novice Sam 22/25.

Event 2 25 target Single Barrel: B Grade Evan Gurney 21/25. C Grade Tavis Sharpe-Jones 18/25. Novice Josh 17/25.

Event 3 30 target Medley: B Grade Evan Gurney 45/50. C Grade Travis Johansen 43/50. Novice Sam 35/50.

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VCTA NWZ School Student Shoot

Students take aim, show sportsmanship and enjoy a memorable day of competition.

The NWZ School Student Shoot 2026 was held on 13 August at the Horsham Clay Target Club and brought together 37 students for a day of focus, discipline and friendly competition. The day was cool and overcast, with some students travelling more than two hours to attend and making very early starts to represent their schools. Held as part of the Zone school student clay target shooting calendar, the event gave students the opportunity to test their skills, support their teammates and represent their schools with pride.

Throughout the competition, students demonstrated excellent safety awareness, patience and concentration of which the competitors showed these qualities from the first round through to the final scores.

The senior boys saw Xavier Stimson from Kaniva and Emmett Ferguson from Maryborough both finish on 18/20, followed closely by Marty Burke from Donald on 17/20. After a shoot-off between Xavier and Emmett, Xavier secured first place with 23/25, while Emmett finished second with 22/25.

One of the highlights of the day was the Senior Girls section featuring two competitors, Claire Scott from Stawell and Evie Hendy from Kaniva. Evie delivered an outstanding performance, recording the only perfect possible score of the day with 20/20 to take out the Senior Girls title.

Junior Boys Harrison Evans from Castlemaine and Milton Ellis from Horsham both shot 17/20, leading to a shoot-off for first and second place. Harrison finished strongly with 22/25 to claim first place, while Milton placed second with 20/25. Mitchell Wilson from Kerang placed third with 16/20.

In the Junior Girls, Caitlin Hendy from Kaniva won the section with 14/20. Amy Bolwell placed second with 11/20, while Ruby Doyle finished in third place.

Two schools presented teams of five students. Kaniva took out the Overall School Team win on 80/100, with team members Willis Stimson, Xavier



Overall and Senior Girls winner, Evie Hendy from Kaniva

Stimson, Byron Merrett, Evie Hendy and Caitlin Hendy. Stawell placed second with a team score of 60/100, represented by Riley Hope, Edward Redford, Jack Sullivan, Lewis Nicholson and Callum Reading.

A special congratulations goes to Evie Hendy from Kaniva, who not only won the Senior Girls section with a perfect 20/20, but also took out the overall individual honours for the day. Evie was also part of the winning Kaniva school team, making it an outstanding achievement.

A big thank you goes to Wendy and Stewart Gillman for their generous donation of sashes.

Thank you also to the Horsham Clay Target Club for hosting the event and doing a fantastic job, to Central Trophies and Gifts for the engraving and lanyards, and to the VCTA for providing the medallions. Thank you also to the organisers, sponsors, coaches, volunteers, schools and teachers and families who helped make the day possible.

Congratulations to all students who took part in



Overall School Team, Kaniva



Junior Girls 1st, Caitlin Hendy
from Kaniva



Junior Boys 2nd, Hararison
Evans from Castlemaine



Senior Boys 1st, Xavier Stimson
from Kaniva

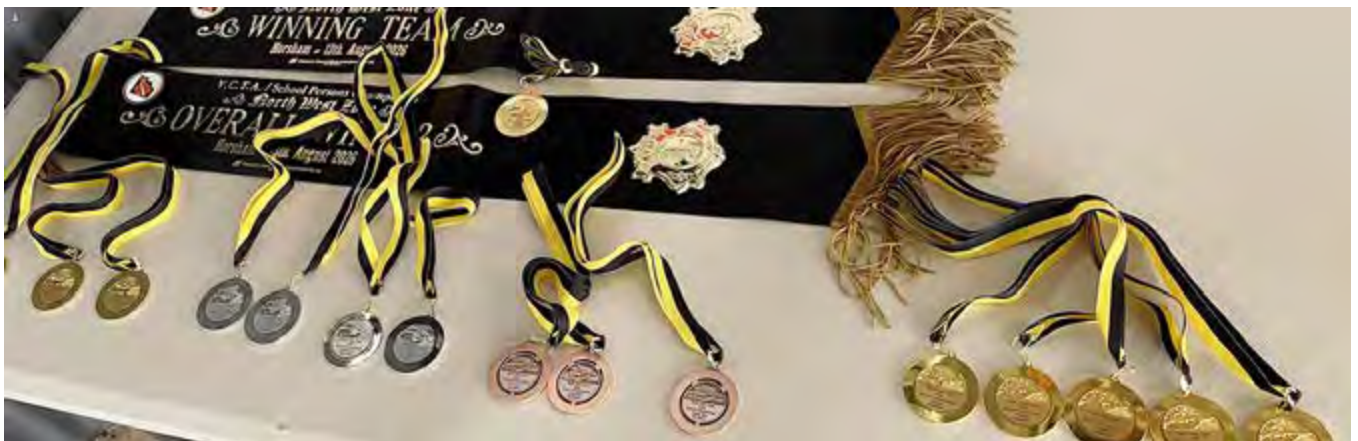


Senior Boys 2nd, Emmett
Ferguson from Maryborough

the NWZ School Student Shoot 2026. Their commitment, respectful conduct and school spirit made the competition a success. Good luck to all

the finalists heading to complete in the 2026 VCTA State School Student Final, to be held at Echuca on the 7th of September.

Arianne James



SHOOT CALENDAR

2026

September 25–28	WACTA State DTL Carnival	EG CTC
September 26	Maryborough Ironman	Maryborough GC
September 26–27	SACTA ISSF (Olympic Disciplines Carnival	(TBC)
October 11	VCTA State Ball Trap Final	Warrnambool CTC
November 6–8	SACTA Skeet Carnival	State Shooting Park
November 9–12	Commonwealth Trap Carnival	Echuca CTC
November 12–15	VCTA State Trap Carnival	Echuca CTC

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February 12–14	Warrnambool Seaside Carnival	Warrnambool CTC
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Break Badges

NAME	HOME CLUB	ACHIEVED AT	BREAK
Barake,H	Noorat	Noorat	DTL 50
Bourke,C	Mendooran	Wagga	Compak 25
Bourke,C	Mendooran	Wagga	Compak 25
Burgess,J	Werribee	Korumburra	DTL 50, CONT 50
Carr,R	Dubbo	Wagga	Compak 25
Collins,S	Bathurst	Bathurst	Compak 25
Craig,P	Gladstone	Gladstone	TWR 75
Craig,P	Gladstone	Gladstone	TWR 50
De Paoli,M	Collie	West Australian	SKT DBLS 50, 75
Henshaw,T	Cooma	Cooma	SKT 50

NAME	HOME CLUB	ACHIEVED AT	BREAK
Keirl,Marcus	Bendigo	Bendigo	Compak 25
Keirl,Michael	Bendigo	Bendigo	Compak 50
McKendrick,P	Euroa	Cosgrove	CONT 50
Oliver,R	Gladstone	Gladstone	TWR 75
Pomerence,M	Condamine	Moonie	CONT 100
Pyke,M	Clermont	Gemfields	DTL 200
Ringin,S	Beaufort	Darwin	SB 50
Schrag,B	Dalby	Mackay Sarina	DTL 50
Skinner,A	Clermont	Gemfields	DTL 50
Snelling,A	Gold Coast	Gold Coast	DTL 75
Stallward,J	Kingaroy	Dalby	DTL 150
Tingate,L	Melbourne	Melbourne	DTL 50

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