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NSWCTA held the State Trap Carnival over the October long weekend.

Matt Schiller shot exceedingly well, taking out the State titles for Double Rise, Single Barrel and Overall High Gun.

Matt's score for the High Gun was 470/475. Well done Matt.

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ACTA CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Michael Kruger-Davis – Chairman

NSWCTA Trap Carnival

Congratulations must be extended to the NSWCTA President, David White and the Executive team for running an excellent State carnival. Leading up to the carnival there were issues surrounding the granting of the 'Arms Fair' permit, as NSW Police Registry asked additional risk assessment questions that involved aspects such as terrorist related activity, organised crime, protest and activist demonstrations, medical and weather-related emergencies. The ACTA was able to secure a revised Risk Assessment document that satisfied NSW Police. There was one minor issue in that the Arms Fair Permit prohibited sale of alcohol while firearms were on display. This limited the opportunity for those who had finished shooting for the day to have a quiet drink, but everyone accepted the conditions and the carnival ran smoothly. Following the carnival after the long weekend the ACTA contacted the Firearms registry and explained the limitations on the Arms Fair enclosure and the bar in the Conference Centre and the Airms Fair Permit for the Sporting/ Compak Nationals has been amended to allow alcohol to be sold in the conference centre as long as no alcohol is taken into the Arms Fair enclosure.

The NSWCTA Hall of Fame dinner recognised Janenne Kidd and Peter Holmes with Life memberships and Dan Power, fresh from his ICTSF World Championship win, was inducted into the NSWCTA Hall of Fame.

Sporting/Compak Nationals

As this magazine goes into print the ACTA English Sporting Championships, ACTA/FITASC National Compak Championship and the FITASC Australian Grand Prix are being held. Special thanks must go to Matthew (Buggs) Munroe for his tireless effort and expertise in setting the targets, Mal Dyson for making sure the traps are working and everything is functional for the shoot, Barbara Kruger-Davis, for assisting in loading traps, Brenda Collins for managing MCMS, Helen Dyson and Jim Shepherd for manning the events office and Dave Coleman for setting up the practise trap. For the many others who helped in some way, thank you.

Raffle

A feature of this years Sporting/Compak Nationals will be a raffle. The ACTA is raffling an Infinity Electric Four-Seater Golf Buggy valued at $13,999. There are only 1000 tickets, and each ticket costs $25.00, all proceeds from the raffle sale will go to supporting the ACTA Australian representative teams. For those not attending the Sporting Nationals please contact the ACTA office if you wish to purchase a ticket. The prize will be drawn when all the tickets are sold.

Hall of Fame Induction.

This year will see the inaugural Hall of Fame induction conducted at a Sporting Clays National Championship. The ACTA is sponsoring a Hall of Fame dinner, similar to the ones held at the Skeet and Trap Nationals. This year's inductee into the ACTA Hall of Fame is Renae Birgan. Renae is a most worthy recipient of being inducted into the ACTA Hall of Fame and deserves our heartfelt congratulations.

DTL Traps

Following the evaluation of the tenders for the replacement of the 20 DTL traps, the ACTA Grounds Committee recommended to the ACTA Board the purchase of PAT traps from Jaytod Trading of New Zealand. Pat traps are a USA made trap with an excellent track record, robust construction and ease of use. The company also provided 5 years servicing before the DTL Nationals and delivery before the 2027 Nationals. This will allow the ACTA to use the traps for two years before the ICTSF World Championships being hosted by the ACTA in 2030. The ACTA would like to thank the companies that put tenders forward: Mattarelli, Laporte and Canterbury, but unfortuneatly only one company could be successful.

ACTA Strategic Plan

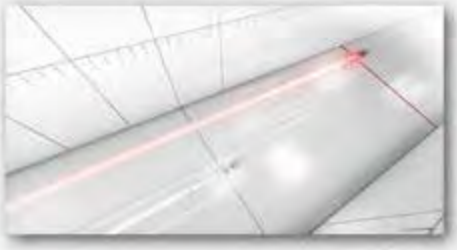
During the rest day at the Sporting/Compak Nationals the ACTA Board will meet with the State Association Presidents and evaluate the current strategic plan and brainstorm where the ACTA should be heading in the next five years.

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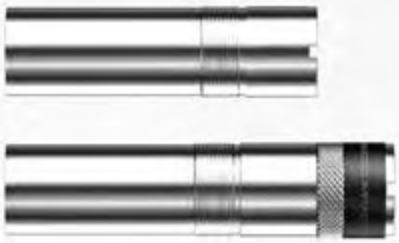
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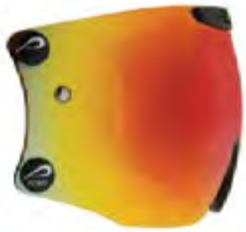
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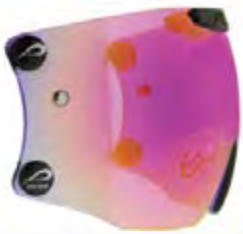


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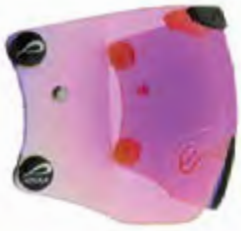
7CIED - Espresso Bean

Espresso Bean delivers increased lift at a lower transmittance, creating a lens that appears brighter than its numbers suggest while remaining exceptionally easy on the eyes. Designed for relaxation without sacrificing contrast, it's a highly requested and foundational addition to the CIED family.



25CIEB - Elderberry

Elderberry introduces a refined new purple with enhanced red attenuation to make targets pop while effectively suppressing green. The result is a vibrant yet controlled lens that delivers clarity, separation, and a modern visual signature.



42CILA - Lavender

Lavender is a new purple positioned between the 30CIHB and 52CIN, offering a similar performance curve to the 30CIHB with added lift and enhanced neutralization. Exceptionally versatile and highly requested, it will replace the 40CN as the new medium light standard moving forward.



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New South Wales Clay Target Association State Trap Carnival



A field of 354 shooters took part in the 2026 NSW Clay Target Association State Trap Carnival at the ACTA National Grounds in Wagga Wagga over the October long weekend, 2-5 October. Intermittent rain on Friday and Saturday added to the challenge, and a brief stoppage for lightning on Saturday afternoon gave the new lightning policy its first real test. The weather improved on Sunday, though the light was still changing, and Monday produced perfect conditions. Matt Schiller dominated the High Gun, finishing five targets clear of the field.



Janenne Kidd received the Presidential Medal & Peter Holmes received the Distinguished Long Service Award



Hall of Fame Inductee, Dan Power, with his proud family







Hall of Fame members



Dr Joe McGirr, Independent Member for Wagga Wagga



Beretta rep Damian Hutchins, Champion of Champions Overall Ash Hawker, NSWCTA President David White

The weekend was also a chance to recognise service to the sport. Janenne Kidd received the Presidential Medal, Peter Holmes received the Distinguished Long Service Award, and both Janenne and Peter were made NSWCTA life members. Dr Joe McGirr, the Independent Member for Wagga Wagga, also addressed the crowd about how the NSW firearm law changes are poorly targeted and will not make anyone any safer.

Friday evening brought the Hall of Fame induction of Dan Power, followed by the carvery dinner. Dan spoke very powerfully of his shooting journey and how incredible the support had been from the shooting community after the challenges his family had faced this year. Money was raised at the dinner for Ronald McDonald House, the charity chosen by Dan that helped support their family.

On Saturday night, Ross Cummings, the Scottish Elvis, also performed outdoors, raising further funds for Ronald McDonald House, and the show was enjoyed by many of the campers and traders.

Event 1: NSW State Champion of Champions

The 2026 NSW State Trap Carnival opened with the NSW State Champion of Champions, shot from 18 metres Double Barrel, Single Barrel and Points Score and was sponsored by Beretta Australia, with a strong field of 319 shooters contesting the first title of the program.

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Bordertown's Ash Hawker emerged as the carnival's first State champion, completing the regulation program with 125/125 before adding a further 25 points straight in the shoot-off to claim Overall with 150/150. Thomas Dimeglio, representing The Forest, also shot the program clean and secured AA Grade with 149/150 after adding 24/25 in the shoot-off. Cobar CTC's Matt Schiller was second AA with 124/125, while Ross Cummings from NSWGC took third after a lengthy shoot-off, finishing 173/175 from an original 123/125.

Fraser Dwyer from Hay headed A Grade with 122/125, ahead of Coleambally's Glen Evans on 120/125. Wagga shooter Mark Liersch secured third after shooting 118/125 and adding 24/25 in the shoot-off for 142/150.

Hay was again represented among the winners when Grant Dwyer took B Grade with 115/125. Canberra's Jarrod Agnew was second with 113/125 and Roslyn Bradford from Boorowa third on 111/125. In C Grade, Guyra shooter Jason McAlister led the way with 100/125, followed by Tumut's Elizabeth Thatcher 98/125 and Angus Tilley from Deni CTC 97/125.

The sectional honours saw Wagga's Lachlan Griffiths take Junior with an excellent 121/125, Ash Richardson from Guyra win Ladies with 121/125 and Goulburn representative Frazer Roberts claim Veteran with 122/125.

Event 2: NSW State Double Rise Championship

Another sizeable field assembled for the NSW State Double Rise Championship, with 324 shooters contesting the second State title of the carnival and J & A Geotech Pty Ltd providing sponsorship for the event.

Matt Schiller prevailed Overall following a shoot-off after both he and Ash Hawker returned 49/50. Schiller added a perfect 20/20 to finish



Double Rise Overall Matt Schiller



Double Rise Junior & Ladies

69/70 and secure the championship, while Hawker's 19/20 gave him AA Grade with 68/70.

Noorat's Phil Grainger and Joseph O'Brien from Majura Park had also shot 49/50 and continued their battle for the AA minor placings, Grainger taking second with 58/60 after 9/10 and O'Brien third with 56/60 after 7/10.

Ross Hibbert of NSWGC headed A Grade outright with 48/50. Rockhampton junior Quaid Blyton and Orange shooter John Gray were locked together on 47/50 before Blyton's 9/10 secured second with 56/60 and Gray's 7/10 placed him third with 54/60.

Warren's Douglas Ferguson won B Grade with 44/50, while Chris Figgins from Echuca and Liersch, both originally on 43/50, required a shoot-off to settle the remaining placings. Figgins added 8/10 for 51/60 to take second and Liersch 7/10 for 50/60 to finish third.

Lauren Love from Toowoomba produced 44/50 to win C Grade. Tumut's William Baker claimed second with 51/60 after adding 9/10 to his 42/50, while Cobar CTC representative Jarrod Barraclough added 6/10 for third with 48/60.

Blyton's 47/50 also earned him the Junior title, Boorowa's Amy Smith took Ladies with 46/50 and Glen Castellaro from Griffith GC won Veteran with 48/50.

Event 3: NSW State Double Barrel Championship

The NSW State Double Barrel Championship produced one of the outstanding contests of the carnival. With 337 nominations and sponsorship from SF Outdoor Group, a perfect 50/50 was merely the beginning for a large number of competitors.

Boorowa's Ross Liersch eventually claimed the State title after an extraordinary marathon shoot-off, breaking another 453 consecutive targets to finish with a remarkable 503/503. Echuca shooter Mitchell Iles stayed with Liersch almost to the end, missing his 453rd shoot-off target to take AA Grade first with 502/503.



Fil Petriella of SF Outdoor Group, Double Barrel Overall Ross Liersch, Phill Chryssovelonis








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Double Barrel Veteran & Junior



Double Barrel Ladies

MCC-ACTA representative James Willett was second AA after another substantial run, his 395/396 shoot-off taking his final score to 445/446, while Hawker added 350/351 to his initial 50 straight to finish third AA with 400/401.

A Grade also required shoot-offs after NSWGC's Sean Doerner, Evan Kiotis from Sydney and MCC-ACTA junior Kye McDonnell each posted 50/50. Doerner eventually took first with 81/82 after 31/32 in the shoot-off, Kiotis was second with 67/68 after 17/18 and McDonnell third with 56/57 after 6/7.

Brisbane junior Theo Patrick won B Grade after his 50/50 was followed by 10/11 for 60/61. Michelle Robertson from Mornington CTC took second with 58/59, having shot 49/50 and 9/9 in the shoot-off, while NSWGC's Aaron Persson finished third with 57/59 after 49/50 and 8/9.

Tamworth junior Elijah Porter won C Grade outright with 47/50. Majura Park's Andreas Haridemos and Cole Barraclough from Cobar CTC had each recorded 45/50 and required a shoot-off, Haridemos adding 3/3 for 48/53 to take second and Barraclough 2/3 for 47/53 to finish third.

Lachlan Griffiths added another sectional success to his carnival with the Junior title, his 50/50 followed by 24/25 for 74/75. Narrabri's Amanda Farr also faced a lengthy shoot-off for Ladies, adding 198/199 to her 50/50 to finish 248/249, while Grant Thatcher from Tumut took Veteran after an impressive 106/107 shoot-off produced a final 156/157.

Event 4: NSW State Trap Handicap Championship

The State Trap Handicap brought 328 competitors to the layouts and provided a change from the grade and sectional format of the other championships. Sponsorship for the event came from DRC Imports Falcon & Corsivia.



Don Turner, Handicap winner Cameron Ford, Phill Chryssovelonis



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MCC-ACTA's Cameron Ford carried his recent ISSF and UT form into the handicap. Shooting from 25 metres, he was the only shooter in the field to return 50/50, and he became the 2026 State Trap Handicap Champion without needing a shoot-off. Four shooters finished on 49/50, and the shoot-off decided the minor placings: Patrick (17 metres) was second with 59/60 after a perfect 10/10, Stephen Atkins (Echuca) third with 53/55, Clint Henderson (Border CTC) fourth and Andrew Fiek (Echuca) fifth, both on 52/54.

Event 5: NSW State Single Barrel Championship

A field of 330 shooters contested the NSW State Single Barrel Championship, with Wagga Caravan Centre supporting the fifth event of the program.

Schiller continued an outstanding carnival, taking his second State championship Overall after shooting 50/50 and then remaining perfect through another 20 targets to finish 70/70.

The AA Grade contest was also decided during the shoot-off. Cobar CTC veteran Arthur Turner broke 19/20 to finish 69/70 and take first AA. Toby Nicholl added 18/19 to his 50/50 for second with 68/69, while Brisbane's Malcolm Pain added 16/17 to his perfect regulation score for third with 66/67.



Single Barrel Overall Matt Schiller

Nanette McCallum from Mersey won A Grade outright with 49/50. NSWGC's Richard Cole and Steve Cassar from Berrima had both recorded 48/50 and went to a shoot-off, Cole adding 2/2 for 50/52 to take second and Cassar 1/2 for 49/52 and third.

The Forest's



Single Barrel Veteran Arthur Turner



Single Barrel Junior Lachlan Griffiths & Ladies Amanda Farr

Chantelle Nolan also avoided a shoot-off by taking B Grade with 49/50. Agnew secured second with 50/53 after an original 47/50 and 3/3 in the shoot-off, while Sandy Sullivan from Orange added 2/3 to her 47/50 for third with 49/53.

Brooke Shelton from Sydney led C Grade with 45/50, Thatcher was second with 42/50 and The Forest veteran Brian Frost secured third with 45/55 after shooting 40/50 and then 5/5.

Griffiths collected another Junior title with 48/50. Farr took Ladies after shooting 50/50 and adding 3/4 in the shoot-off for 53/54, while Turner's AA Grade performance also gave him the Veteran title with 69/70.

Event 6: NSW State Points Score Championship

The final individual State championship of the carnival attracted 318 competitors, with Winchester



Points Score Overall James Willett

Australia sponsoring the NSW State Point Score Championship.

Willett and Guyra's Brad Henshall both produced perfect regulation scores of 150/150 and then became involved in an exceptional shoot-off. Willett ultimately remained perfect for a further 237 points to claim Overall with 387/387, while Henshall dropped just one point during the extended contest, his 236/237 giving him first AA with 386/387.



Points Score Ladies Nanette McCallum

The battle for the remaining AA positions was also of a very high standard. Guyra veteran Graham Dawson started with 150/150 and added 146/147 to take second AA with 296/297, while Tumut's Will Crawford, another shooter to record a perfect regulation score, added 98/99 to finish third with 248/249.





Points Score Junior Harrison Glennen & Veteran Graham Dawson

McCallum headed A Grade after 149/150 and a perfect 15/15 shoot-off gave her 164/165. Brisbane shooter James Wilkie was second with 161/165 after 149/150 and 12/15, while Sydney's Grahame Smith took third outright with 147/150.

Grant Dwyer won B Grade with 146/150. Persson and Robertson had each shot 143/150 before their shoot-off, Persson adding 15/15 to finish second with 158/165 and Robertson 12/15 for third with 155/165.

Mt Bogong's Jennifer Jackson claimed C Grade with 138/150, Porter was second with 135/150 and Shelton took third after an original 132/150 and 6/6 in the shoot-off for 138/156.

Noorat junior Harrison Glennen won his section after a lengthy shoot-off, adding a perfect 144/144 to his 148/150 for 292/294. McCallum added the Ladies title to her A Grade success with 155/156 after 149/150 and 6/6, while Dawson's 296/297 also earned him Veteran honours.

NSW State Postal Team Qualifications

With the championship program completed, attention also turned to the NSW State team qualifications, where consistent performances across the carnival determined the leading contenders. A total of 289 shooters were recorded for the Postal Team Qualification.

Schiller completed the qualification with a perfect 250/250 to head the Open qualifiers. Castellaro, Crawford and West Sydney's David Perri followed, each with 249/250, while Henshall and fellow Guyra shooter Ben Rumbel were next on 248/250.

Parkes GC representative Tom Sheridan, West Wyalong's Matty Patmore and Cobar CTC shooter Matthew Stokes each returned 247/250. O'Brien, Ross Liersch, Cobar's Wayde Hawkins and West Sydney representative Lucas Young followed, all with 246/250.

The final two Open positions were decided from shooters originally tied on 245/250. Cobar CTC's Bryan Manns added 25/25 to finish 270/275, while Sydney shooter Phill Chryssovelonis added 24/25 for 269/275.

Griffiths headed the Junior qualifiers with 245/250,



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Junior State Postal Team



Ladies State Postal Team

followed by Sydney's Nic Hadjiparaskeva 243/250 and Grant Dwyer 241/250. Border CTC's Bailey Henderson was fourth with 236/250, West Sydney's Harrison Young also recorded 236/250 and clubmate Hayley Alho completed the six with 235/250.

Tracey Stringer from Boorowa headed the Ladies on 245/250, ahead of Smith 243/250. Coleambally's Sally Evans was next with 240/250, followed by Farr 239/250, Tammy Henshall from Guyra 238/250 and Nolan 235/250.

Thatcher headed the Veterans with 245/250. Turner, Parkes GC's Peter Kenyon and Dawson each recorded 244/250, while a shoot-off was required for the remaining positions. Guyra's John Reid added a perfect 50/50 to his 242/250 for 292/300 and Tamworth representative John Sleightholme added 49/50 to finish 291/300.

NSW State Shoulder-to-Shoulder Team Selection

The Shoulder-to-Shoulder selection provided another measure of consistency across the carnival, with 321 shooters recorded in the selection event.

Castellaro headed the Open standings with an outstanding 399/400, with Crawford and Henshall following on 397/400.

A group of shooters on 396/400 then required a shoot-off to settle the remaining Open positions. Perri and Rumbel each added 39/39 to reach 435/439 and take fourth and fifth respectively. Patmore secured sixth with 429/436 after 33/36, Stokes seventh with 416/421 after 20/21 and Schiller eighth with 398/403 after 2/3.

Griffiths headed the Junior selection with 394/400, followed by Hadjiparaskeva and Grant Dwyer, both on 388/400. Harrison Young was fourth with 386/400 and Alho fifth with 381/400.

Stringer led the Ladies with 392/400, Smith following with 389/400. Farr and Tammy Henshall both entered a shoot-off after recording 388/400, Farr's 12/12 giving her third with 400/412 and Henshall's 11/12 fourth with 399/412. Evans completed the five with 387/400.

Thatcher and Dawson headed the Veteran selection, both recording 393/400, with Thatcher listed first and Dawson second. Kenyon and Hawkins each finished on 390/400 and were both listed third on the result sheet, while Turner completed the group with 389/400.



State Ladies Team: Tracey Stringer, Amy Smith, Amanda Farr














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State Team

among the sectional winners throughout the program, was Junior High Gun with an impressive 460/475. Tracey Stringer took the Ladies High Gun with 451/475, while Glenn Castellaro rounded out a successful carnival by claiming the Veteran High Gun with 464/475.

Carnival High Guns

After six State championship events and some exceptional shooting across the program, the NSW State Trap Carnival High Guns, sponsored by Bronzewing Australia, brought together the accumulated scores from the carnival.

Matt Schiller's consistency throughout the championships, including Overall victories in both the Double Rise and Single Barrel, was rewarded with the Overall High Gun on 470/475.

James Willett claimed the AA High Gun with 465/475, while Sydney's Grahame Smith secured A Grade with 447/475. Grant Dwyer won B Grade on 443/475 and Brooke Shelton completed a strong carnival by taking C Grade with 371/475.

Lachlan Griffiths, who had featured repeatedly



Ladies Team High Gun
Tammy Henshall



Open Team High Gun
Phil Chryssovelonis



Overall Zone Team winners, Northern Zone: Joh Reid, Tony Ryder, Kevin Thompson, Dustin Hone, Paul O'Neill, Jasmine Rumble. Katrina Rumbel, Abbey Ullman, Nicholas Wells, Lincoln Miller, Dean Sniz Rumbel, Graham Dawson, Dave Porteus, Cesar Diaz



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Tony Barton, Garry, Venables, Ned Shelton



Ladies Zone Team winners,
Jasmine Rumbel, Katrina Rumbel, Abbey Ullman



Junior Zone Team winners,
Juniors – Bailey Hendreson, William Baker, Grant Dwyer



Overall High Gun Matt Schiller
with Bronze Wing's Anna Shedrina



AA Grade High Gun
James Willett



A Grade High Gun
Grahame Smith



B Grade High Gun
Grant Dwyer



C Grade High Gun
Brooke Shelton



Veteran High Gun
Glen Castellaro



Ladies High Gun
Tracey Stringer



Junior High Gun Lachlan Griffiths

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Pride in the Green and Gold Australia Takes on the World in San Antonio



Matthew De Paoli, Lorraine Hughes, Greg Schweikert, Daniel Sacchetta & Shane Bennett

For five Australian skeet shooters, September 2026 provided an opportunity that every competitive skeet shooter dreams of – to pull on the Australian uniform and represent their country at the World Skeet Championships in San Antonio, Texas.

The Australian team of Shane Bennett, Matthew De Paoli, Daniel Sacchetta, Greg Schweikert and Lorraine Hughes was selected following the 2026 Australian Skeet Nationals at Wagga Wagga in March. The five earned their places through their performances across the national selection events,









securing the honour of representing Australia at the World Shoot. The Australian Clay Target Association's official records list the five as Australia's 2026 World Skeet team.

The team brought together a mixture of experience and new international representation.

For Shane Bennett, 2026 was his third selection to the Australian team travelling to the USA. Bennett's previous international experience provided a valuable foundation for the team as he returned to the World Shoot with a wealth of knowledge of the unique atmosphere and demands of competing in San Antonio.

Matthew De Paoli was making his second appearance on an Australian World Skeet team. His previous experience competing in the USA meant he was also familiar with the scale of the World Shoot and the challenges that come with competing against the world's best. The ACTA records show both Bennett and De Paoli among Australia's previous World Skeet team representatives.

For Daniel Sacchetta and Greg Schweikert, however, this was a completely new world team experience. Both shooters had earned their first selection to the Australian World Skeet team, turning years of competition and preparation into the opportunity to represent their country on the world's biggest skeet stage.

And then there was Lorraine Hughes making history in 2026 by becoming the first woman ever selected to the Australian open team for the World Skeet Championships in the USA. Her selection was an important milestone for Australian skeet





shooting and the culmination of a long and successful career in the sport.

A Proud Start to the World Shoot

The significance of representing Australia became very real for the five team members from the moment the World Shoot got underway.

The first day began







at 8.00am, when the Australian team assembled in their full official uniforms for team photographs. Standing together in their full uniform, the five shooters had their first opportunity to formally present themselves as the Australian team for the 2026 World Skeet Championships.

The atmosphere changed again that evening.

At 6.00pm, the official opening ceremony commenced in the shoot-off stadium. With the participating nations arranged alphabetically, Australia was the first country to enter the stadium, making its way onto the field behind the Australian flag to the sound of the Australian national anthem.

For the entire Australian team, walking together into the stadium behind the Australian flag was a moment that will stay with them long after the last target of the World Shoot had been broken.

As the Australian team entered, the Australian national anthem was played before the remaining nations followed in turn, each entering with their own national flag and being welcomed with their respective national anthems.

It was a powerful reminder that, although skeet is an individual sport, the World Shoot brings together competitors from around the globe with the common goal of representing their countries.

The opening ceremony itself was also a spectacular celebration of the host nation and its history. Adding to the occasion was a display featuring cavalry horses and riders, bringing a distinctly Texan and American flavour to the proceedings.

The ceremony took place during a remarkable year for the United States, which in 2026 commemorated the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. The national America250 program described 2026 as the country's Semi-quincentennial – a once-in-a-generation milestone marking 250 years since the Declaration of Independence.





Against that backdrop, the sight of mounted cavalry, national flags and teams from around the world gathering together made the opening ceremony a particularly memorable spectacle.

For five Australians standing together in the stadium, however, the most important flag was the one they carried themselves.

Representing Australia

The 2026 World Skeet Championships were held at the National Shooting Complex in San Antonio, the home of the National Skeet Shooting Association. The championship ran from September 25 through October 3 and brought together competitors from around the world for the premier annual event in American Skeet NSSA.

For Bennett and De Paoli, the experience was another chapter in their international careers. For Sacchetta and Schweikert, it was the beginning of their journey as Australian representatives. And for Hughes, it was a historic achievement that will forever hold a special place in the story of Australian skeet shooting.

The five shooters may have arrived in Texas as individuals who had earned their places through their performances at Wagga Wagga, but once they stepped onto the stadium field in San Antonio, they stood together as one Australian team.

From the early morning team photographs to the national anthem, the Australian flag and the spectacular opening ceremony, the message was clear: they were there to represent Australia.

And for every one of them, that was something to be proud of.



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Back to where it all began – Bendigo 2026

Police & Services Clay Target Championships

2026 saw the Australasian Police & Service Clay Target Championships return to Bendigo where the first event was held 45 year ago in 1981. This year's Championships were the 44th held, as 2019 saw sporting events cancelled Australia-wide due to the Covid-19 epidemic.

In 1981 Glenn Woodhatch approached former policeman Brian Mark, then with Winchester Australia, with the idea of commencing a National Trap shooting event to bring together Police from around Australia to foster goodwill and friendly competition between each State's Forces. Brian was very enthusiastic and the annual competition was born.

Since then, the Championships have been held in all Australian States, New Zealand and Norfolk Island (the one exception being the Northern Territory). Participation and interest over the years has been such that the Championships are now named the Australasian Police and Services Clay Target Championships and include all Law Enforcement Agencies and each Country's Military Forces.

The very first year the Championships were held, they consisted only of trap events on 1 day. The program in Bendigo this year took place over 5 days and included Skeet and Sporting as well as the trap events.

Throughout the competition the weather was great and as a result, shooting was at a high standard in each grade, section and division.

To the future of these Championships there is some uncertainty, but it is hoped that they will continue albeit with reduced trophies and sponsorship due to restrictive policy of governing bodies. In light this it would be a tremendous milestone to reach Championship number 50.

Prior to the final presentations of trophies for this year's Championships, a number of personnel who had contributed significantly to the AP&SCTA in administration and the running of the Annual Championships were recognised and were presented with Honorary Life Membership Certificates. Recipients were Colin Anderson and Peter Beaman (Victoria), Andrew Norman and Ted Galkowski (South Australia), Alan Davey, Scott Prendergast, Brian Muirson and Don Mabbutt (Queensland), Rick Mathers and John Elfes (New South Wales) and Matt Dwyer (AFP). *(See photographs at end of report.)*





Peter Beaman, Compak Police & Services Overall Matt Dwyer, Glenn Woodhatch



Skeet Police & Services Overall Matt Dwyer

Event 1 50 target Compak Sporting Championship

Police & Services

Matt Dwyer (Caboolture) produced the leading performance in the Police & Services competition, recording 44/50 to claim the Open Championship as well as first place in A. Aari Mellington (Horsham) finished second in A with 34/50.

Don Pratt (Mount Gambier) headed B with 39/50, ahead of Rick Mathers (Wagga), who took second place with 37/50. In C, Glenn Woodhatch (Loddon District) secured first place with 35/50, while Peter Kenyon (Parkes GC) finished second on 32/50.

Civilian

The Civilian competition saw Jason Barclay (MCC – ACTA) take the Open Championship with 44/50. Barclay also claimed first place in AA Grade, with Danny Ryan (Bendigo) second on 41/50.

Max Oakley (Wonthaggi) won A Grade with 36/50, while B Grade required a shoot-off after Syd Anstee (Bendigo) and Rod Walton both finished the regulation 50 targets on 37/50. Anstee prevailed 5/10 to Walton's 4/10, giving final totals of 42/60 and 41/60 respectively.

John King (Euroa) headed C Grade with 35/50, with Noel Doidge (Pooncarie) taking second place on 31/50.

Event 2 – Australasian Police & Services 50 target Skeet Championship

In the second event the 50 target Skeet Championship, 69 shooters competed and sponsorship was provided by the South Australian Police Clay Target Club.



Compak Civilian Overall & AA Jason Barclay



Skeet Police & Services Skeet Team Matt Dwyer, Rick Mathers, Joe Doidge

Police & Services
Matt Dwyer (Caboolture) continued his strong championship performance, taking the Police & Services Overall and A Grade with 46/50. Ray Holmes (Gold Coast) finished second in A Grade after posting 44/50 before winning a one-target shoot-off, 1/1, for a final 45/51.

B Grade also required a shoot-off after Colin Anderson (Loddon District) and Brian Muirson (Clermont) each recorded 40/50. Anderson prevailed 5/5 to Muirson's 4/5, giving final totals of 45/55 and 44/55 respectively. Don Pratt (Mount Gambier) won C Grade with 44/50.

Civilian
Jason Barclay (MCC – ACTA) was the Civilian Overall winner with 48/50 and also took first place in A Grade. Fred Guyatt (SAGC) was second in A Grade with 45/50.

Rob Ould (Wonthaggi) won B Grade with 44/50, ahead of David Caccioppoli (Tumut) on 39/50. Graeme Miller (Echuca) headed C Grade with 43/50, with Russell Cook (Bendigo) just one target behind in second place on 42/50.

Event 3 – 50 target Handicap

This event attracted 69 nominations and was sponsored by the NSW Police Clay Target Club.

Police & Services
Jennie White (WAGC), shooting from 15 metres, headed the Police & Services section with 48/50. Aari Mellington (Horsham), shooting from 21 metres, took second place with 48/51, while Chris Young (Junee), from 17 metres, also recorded 47/51 to finish third.

Allan Vilcins (SA Sporting), shooting from 20 metres, claimed fourth place with 51/55, while Alan Davey (Caboolture), from 16 metres, also scored 50/55 to take fifth.

Civilian
Rob Ould (Wonthaggi) produced the only perfect score in the Civilian section, shooting 50/50 from the 15-metre mark to win the event. Liam Marsh (Loddon District), shooting from 22 metres, was second with 49/50.

Jason Barclay (MCC – ACTA), shooting from 20 metres, and Cathy Owen (Walmer), from 19 metres, each finished the regulation targets on 48/50 and required a shoot-off to determine third and fourth. Barclay shot 5/5 to take third with a final 53/55, while Owen's 4/5 gave her fourth place with 52/55. John Maxwell (Loddon District), shooting from 21 metres, completed the five placings in fifth on 47/50.

Event 4 – 50 target Single Barrel

Police & Services
Stewart Forbes (Maryborough GC) produced the leading performance in the Police & Services competition, shooting 49/50 to claim the Overall Championship and first place in AA Grade. Peter Kenyon (Parkes GC) took second in AA after shooting 48/50 and adding 1/1 in the shoot-off for a final 49/51.

Matt Dwyer (Caboolture) won A Grade with



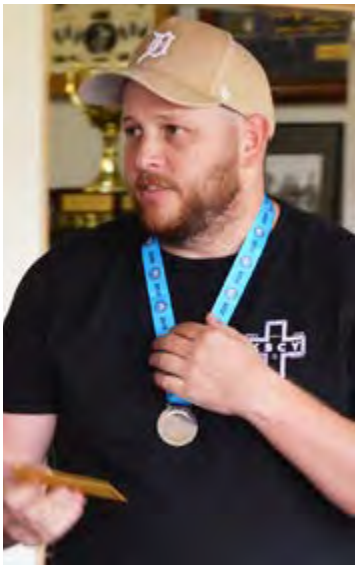
Handicap Police & Services Jennie White & Rick Mathers



Single Barrel Police & Services Peter Beaman & winner Stewart Forbes



Single Barrel Overall Civilian Steve Atkins & Overall Police & Services Stewart Forbes



Single Barrel Civilian A Grade Michael Peters

48/50, while Michael Engel (Mansfield) secured second after recording 46/50 and then 3/3 in the shoot-off for a final 49/53.

Chris Young (Junee) headed B Grade with 48/50. Allan Vilcins (SA Sporting) took second after shooting 43/50 and adding 5/5 in the shoot-off for a final 48/55.

C Grade went to Colin Anderson (Loddon District) with 40/50, followed by Ian Davis in second place with 39/50.

Civilian

AA Grade required an extended shoot-off after Stephen Atkins (Echuca) and Kane Evans (Castlemaine) both recorded 48/50. Atkins prevailed with 12/12 to take first place with a final 60/62, while Evans finished second after 11/12 for 59/62.

A Grade also went to a shoot-off, with Michael Peters (Echuca) and Cathy Owen (Walmer) both finishing the regulation targets on 47/50. Peters added 5/5 to win with 52/55, while Owen's 4/5 gave her second place with 51/55.

Wayne Boschetti (Loddon District) won B Grade with 45/50, ahead of Noel Doidge (Pooncarie) on 41/50. Rob Ould (Wonthaggi) took C Grade with 38/50.

The event once again attracted 69 nominations and was sponsored by the Bendigo RSL Club.

Event 5 – 50 target Double Barrel

Police & Services

Peter Kenyon (Parkes GC) was faultless in the Police & Services competition, shooting 50/50 to claim the Overall Championship and AA Grade. Rayce Burgess (WVCTC) took second in AA after recording 49/50 and adding 2/2 in the shoot-off for a final 51/52.



Double Barrel Police & Services Overall Peter Kenyon



Double Barrel Police & Services A Grade Matt Dwyer

A Grade required a shoot-off after Matt Dwyer (Caboolture) and Brett Coutts (Majura Park) both finished on 49/50. Dwyer prevailed with 7/7 to take first place with 56/57, while Coutts shot 6/7 to finish second on 55/57.

Allan Vilcins (SA Sporting) won B Grade with 48/50. Chris Young (Junee) took second after shooting 47/50 and adding 1/1 in the shoot-off for a final 48/51.

Chris Penno (Kyneton) headed C Grade with 47/50, while Jennie White (WAGC) took second after recording 45/50 and adding 3/3 in the shoot-off for a final 48/53.

Civilian

Liam Marsh (Loddon District) claimed the


































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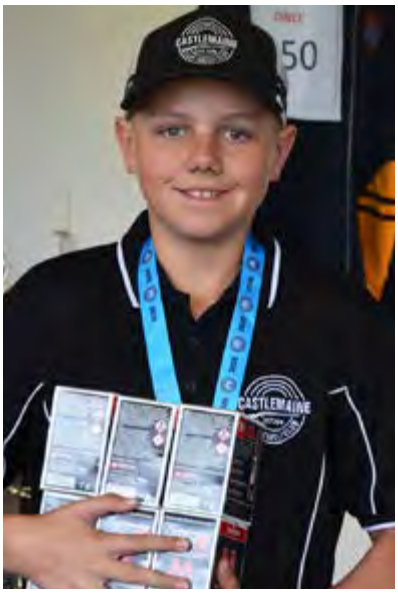

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Double Barrel Civilian Overall & AA
Liam Marsh

Civilian Overall Championship and AA Grade after shooting a perfect 50/50 and then prevailing in an extended shoot-off. Marsh added 11/11 to finish on 61/61, while Glen Gillespie (Wonthaggi), who had also shot 50/50, added 10/11 to take second in AA with 60/61.



Double Barrel Civilian A Grade
Harrison Evans

Harrison Evans (Castlemaine) won A Grade with 48/50. John King (Euroa) took second after shooting 47/50 and completing a lengthy shoot-off of 35/37 for a final 82/87.

Wayne Boschetti (Loddon District) won B Grade with 49/50, ahead of Noel Doidge (Pooncarie) on 46/50. Rob Ould (Wonthaggi) took C Grade with 45/50.

74 competitors nominated, the event was sponsored by Winchester Australia.

Below: Double Barrel Police & Services Team
Rick Mathers, Matt Dwyer, Chris Young



Event 6 – 50 target Points Score

Police & Services

Don Pratt (Mount Gambier) could not be faulted in the Points Score, recording a perfect 150/150 to claim the Overall Championship and AA Grade. Stewart Forbes (Maryborough GC) finished second in AA with an excellent 148/150.

Damien Appleby (Melbourne) won A Grade with 146/150, just one point ahead of Peter Mellington (Horsham), who took second with 145/150.



Points Score Police & Services Overall
& AA Don Pratt



Points Score Civilian Overall & AA
Matthew Appleby

Chris Young (Junee) headed B Grade with 143/150, with Ray Holmes (Gold Coast) second on 138/150. Colin Anderson (Loddon District) won C Grade with 128/150, ahead of Jennie White (WAGC) on 124/150.

Civilian

Matthew Appleby (Loddon District) matched the perfect score recorded in the Police & Services competition, shooting 150/150 to claim the Civilian Overall Championship and AA Grade. Jason Barclay (MCC – ACTA) was only one point behind, taking second in AA with 149/150.



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Justin Murphy (Kyneton) won A Grade with 145/150, narrowly ahead of John Maxwell (Loddon District) on 144/150.

Noel Doidge (Pooncarie) took B Grade with 131/150, with Wayne Boschetti (Loddon District) second on 130/150. Rob Ould (Wonthaggi) won C Grade with 140/150.

There were 74 nominations to this event sponsored by the Loddon District Police Trap Club.

Event 7 – 75 target Champion of Champions

71 shooters competed in this event sponsored by the Queensland Police Clay Target Club.

Police & Services

Peter Kenyon (Parkes GC) claimed the Overall Champion of Champions title and AA Grade with 114/125, with the results also recording 25/25. Rayce Burgess (WVCTC) took second in AA with 112/125.

Joe Doidge (Pooncarie) also recorded 114/125 to win A Grade, with an additional 21/25 shown in the results. Brett Coutts (Majura Park) finished second with 112/125.

Allan Vilcins (SA Sporting) won B Grade with 106/125, narrowly ahead of Chris Young (Junee) on 105/125. Michael Rundle (Junee) headed C Grade with 98/125, with Colin Anderson (Loddon District) second on 93/125.

Civilian

John Maxwell (Loddon District) produced the leading Civilian performance, shooting 117/125 to claim the Overall Champion of Champions title and A Grade.

AA Grade required an extended shoot-off after Liam Marsh (Loddon District) and Jason Barclay (MCC – ACTA) both recorded 115/125. Marsh prevailed 49/50 to finish with a total of 164/175, while Barclay's 47/50 gave him second place with 162/175.

Harrison Evans (Castlemaine) took second in A Grade with 111/125. Caitlin Evans (Castlemaine) won B Grade with 104/125, ahead of Noel Doidge (Pooncarie) on 95/125. Rob Ould (Wonthaggi) won C Grade with 110/125.



Champion of Champions Police & Services Overall Peter Kenyon with Alan Davey



Champion of Champions Civilian Overall & Alan Davey

Woodhatch Trophy



Woodhatch Trophy recipient Don Pratt

The Woodhatch Trophy recognises the leading Police & Services shooter over the entire competition, with Don Pratt (Mount Gambier) securing the prestigious award after compiling an aggregate score of 480/525.

The trophy was sponsored by the Woodhatch Family.



Police & Services High Guns
C Grade Colin Anderson, A Grade Damien Appleby, Veteran Peter Beaman, AA Grade Don Pratt, B Grade Chris Young, Ladies Jennie White

150 target Trap Championship High Guns

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The 150 target Trap Championship combined the results from the Double Barrel, Single Barrel and Points Score events, with the aggregate calculated out of a possible 250 points and encompassing shooters from both the Police & Services and Civilian competitions.



Kane Evans

The championship produced an extraordinary three-way tie at the top, with Don Pratt (Mount Gambier), Stewart Forbes (Maryborough GC) and Kane Evans (Castlemaine) each finishing on 246/250 to share the honours.

Trap High Guns

Police & Services

Peter Kenyon (Parkes GC) claimed the Police & Services Overall Trap High Gun with 397/425. Don Pratt (Mount Gambier) also recorded 397/425 to take the AA High Gun.



Peter Kenyon

Damien Appleby (Melbourne) won the A Grade High Gun with 391/425, while Chris Young (Junee) took B Grade with 390/425 and Colin Anderson (Loddon District) claimed C Grade with 349/425.

Jennie White (WAGC) secured the Ladies High Gun with 344/425, while Peter Beaman (Loddon District) won the Veteran High Gun with 383/425.

Civilian

Jason Barclay (MCC – ACTA) claimed the Civilian Overall Trap High Gun with an impressive 408/425. Liam Marsh (Loddon District) took the AA High Gun with 403/425, while John Maxwell, also from Loddon District, won A Grade with 400/425.

Noel Doidge (Pooncarie) secured the B Grade High Gun with 359/425, while Rob Ould (Wonthaggi) won C Grade with 383/425.

Cathy Owen (Walmer) took the Ladies High Gun with 377/425, Warwick Keable (Boorowa) won the Veteran High Gun with 375/425, and Harrison Evans (Castlemaine) claimed the Junior High Gun with 284/325.

The Trap High Guns were sponsored by The Rocks Partnership.

International Trap Team

The International Trap Team was headed by Don Pratt (Mount Gambier) and Stewart Forbes (Maryborough GC), who each compiled an outstanding 246/250.


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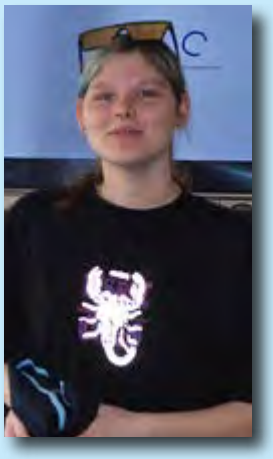




























Civilian High Guns, AA Grade Liam Marsh, Junior Harrison Evans, Ladies Catherine Owen, A Grade John Maxwell, Veteran Warwick Keable, B Grade Noel Doidge, C Grade Rob Ould



5 Person Team
Chris Young, Damien Appleby, Glenn Woodhatch, Peter Kenyon, Don Pratt

They were joined by Peter Kenyon (Parkes GC) and Damien Appleby (Melbourne), both with 240/250, while Chris Young (Junee) completed the five-member team with 238/250.

Closing Summary

Events such as this do not come about without the help and input of many. Firstly, I must thank the Bendigo Clay Target Club for allowing the use of their grounds and amenities. Firstly, a huge thankyou to Rod Walton (BCTC Treasurer) who singularly set up the 2 sporting layouts and ensured that the 2 skeet grounds were operating correctly. To the members of Loddon District Police Trap Club who worked tirelessly prior to, during and after, thank you very much. To Jan, Joy, Matthew, Jill and Dakota your expertise in the canteen was appreciated by all. In the office, Peter, Aari and Murph ensured that everything ran smoothly. Colin kept squads flowing throughout.

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Let's get to Championship number 50.



Colin Anderson
Victoria



Peter Beaman
Victoria



Rick Mathers
New South Wales



Brian Muirson
Queensland

AP&SCTA Life Members

Absent: Galkowski (South Australia), Scott Prendergast, Don Mabbutt (Queensland), John Elfes (New South Wales)



Alan Davey
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MEN'S SKEET

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Clays Dusted at NWZ Carnival at Horsham

The sound of the shot and sight of target fragments signalled the opening of the carnival. Competitors reloaded, and another athlete stepped confidently onto the next shooting pad. This was the atmosphere of a championship clay target competition, where precision, concentration and consistency determined who would be standing at the end. The conditions were perfect; clays and traps were floorless.

Drawing the largest turnout of competitors seen for a couple of years, the atmosphere was buzzing and conversations from long past quickly took hold. This impressive field created fierce competition across all grades and events, with shooters challenged by quality target presentations and tightly contested leaderboards.

This led to 46 possibles shot over the day; the most amount of possibles shot during a NWZ Carnival for a long time, keeping the pressure high right through to the final rounds and creating plenty of excitement for competitors and spectators alike. The Double Barrel saw 27 shooters shoot off until three remained with the words whispering, "how about we just split it". Shots were still ringing long after the sun set and lights lingered on the targets to see who would take out the Handicap and qualify for the teams.



Wayne Hawker
Double Barrel Overall & AA, High Gun



Jayden Newcombe
Double Barrel B Grade Ist



Stephen Bottcher
A Grade Ist

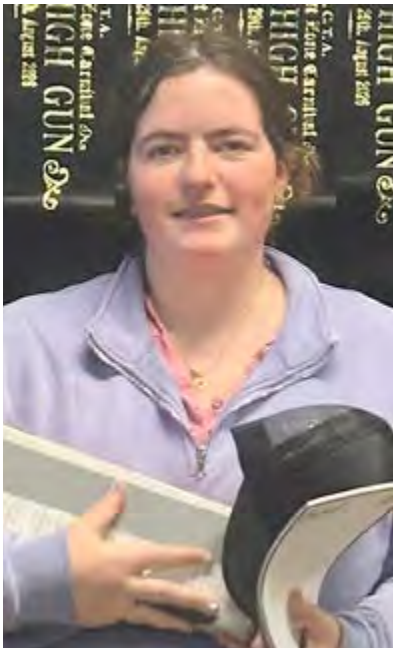


Paul Phillips
Doule Barrel A Grade 2nd

Event 1 – NWZ 25 target Double Barrel Championship

The event opened with 94 shooters contesting the NWZ 25 target Double Barrel Championship, and the event produced an unusual three-way result at the top. Wayne Hawker (Bordertown), Ash Hawker and Daniel Cleary (Mornington CTC) all shot the possible 25/25 and then remained locked together through a remarkable 80/80 shoot-off, leaving the three shooters sharing the Open and AA grade honours on 105/105.

The A grade contest also required an extended shoot-off, with Stephen Bottcher (Cohuna) prevailing on 102/103, having shot 25/25 and added 77/78. Clubmate Paul Phillips took second



Caitlin Hendy
C Grade Ist Single Barrel



Amy Bolwell
Ist C Grade Double Barrel, Points Score



Katie McPherson
Ist B grade Single Barrel, Points Score, Handicap Ist, B Grade High Gun

with 55/56, comprising 25/25 plus 30/31.

In B grade, Jayden Newcombe (Horsham) won with 27/28, shooting 25/25 plus 2/3, while Katie McPherson (Callawadda Stawell) was second on 25/26 after her possible and 0/1 in the shoot-off.

C grade produced another close contest between two Junior Ladies. Amy Bolwell (Horsham) took first with 35/37, shooting 24/25 plus 11/12, narrowly ahead of Caitlin Hendy (Bordertown) on 34/37, from 24/25 plus 10/12.

Event 2 – NWZ 25 target Single Barrel Championship

The 25 target Single Barrel Championship attracted 93 competitors and saw Nick Ietto (Mildura) emerge as Open winner following another lengthy shoot-off. Ietto's 25/25 was followed by 36/37 to finish on 61/62, also earning him first in AA grade. Ant Ietto, also with a possible off the gun, finished second AA on 60/62 after adding 35/37.

A grade could not be separated, with Dallas Fisher (Patchewollock) and Chris Jorgensen (Horsham) sharing first place on 48/50, both having shot 24/25 before adding 24/25 in the shoot-off. Katie McPherson continued her strong carnival by winning B grade with 39/40, made up of 25/25 plus 14/15, ahead of Lachie McGinniss (Patchewollock) on 29/30, from 25/25 plus 4/5.

Caitlin Hendy added the C grade title to her opening event placing, winning outright with 23/25. Denis Hannigan (St Arnaud) claimed second on 23/27, having shot 21/25 before adding 2/2 in the shoot-off.

Event 3 – NWZ 25 target Points Score Championship

The Points Score Championship again attracted 93 shooters, with Ashley Bolwell (Horsham) producing a perfect 75/75 before embarking on an extended shoot-off against Wayne Hawker. Bolwell eventually prevailed with 60/60 to take the Open and AA grade titles on 135/135, while Hawker was just one point behind, his 59/60 shoot-off giving him second AA on 134/135.

In A grade, Bill Harris (Patchewollock) shot



75/75 before adding 8/9 to win with 83/84, while Catherine Owen (Walmer) took second outright with 73/75. B grade belonged to Katie McPherson with an excellent 74/75, one point clear of Lachie McGinniss on 73/75.

Amy Bolwell returned to the winner's circle in C grade, shooting 71/75 before adding 3/3 to finish on 74/78. Lucas Hallam (Hopetoun GC) also shot 71/75, with 0/3 in the shoot-off leaving him second on 71/78.

Event 4 – NWZ 25 target Handicap
The 25 target Handicap attracted 80 competitors and provided Katie McPherson with another highlight in an already outstanding carnival. After shooting 25/25, she remained perfect through 12/12 in the shoot-off to claim first place with 37/37. Newcombe pushed her all the way, also shooting the possible before adding 11/12 to finish second on 36/37.

Robert James (Walmer) secured third with 33/34, comprising 25/25 plus 8/9, while Nathan Peddlesden (Horsham) was fourth on 29/30 after adding 4/5 to his possible. Daniel Cleary and Lachlan Hendy (Bordertown) could not be separated for fifth, both finishing on 28/29 after shooting 25/25 plus 3/4.

North West Zone Team Selection
The Zone team selection was headed by James Peatling (Cohuna), who was the only competitor to return a perfect 125/125. Nick Ietto, Ashley Bolwell and Katie McPherson followed together on 124/125, with Ant Ietto 123/125, Dean Vogel (Warracknabeal) and Zak Biggin (Callawadda Stawell) both 122/125, and Lachie McGinniss completing the Open selection on 121/125.

The Junior selection was headed by Mitchell Wilson (Kerang) 120/125, followed by Harrison Evans (Castlemaine) 114/125, Amy Bolwell 113/125, Axel Decker (Hopetoun GC) 87/125 and Tanner James (Walmer) 86/125.

Catherine Owen led the Ladies with 120/125, ahead of Sandy Ellis (Horsham) 115/125, Arianne James (Walmer) 112/125, Caitlin Evans (Castlemaine) 111/125, Kim Thompson (Cohuna) 111/125 and Estelle Arnold (Mildura) 108/125.

The Veteran selection was headed by Ray Peatling (Cohuna) 120/125, followed by Doug Harris (Horsham) 118/125, Dallas Fisher 117/125 and Robert Jorgensen (Horsham) 116/125. Eric Yetman (Patchewollock), Trevor Dehne (Cohuna) and Grant Ellis (Horsham) completed the listed results, all finishing on 115/125.

North West Zone High Guns
A final shoot-off was required to settle several of the Carnival High Guns. Wayne Hawker claimed the Open High Gun with 171/175, having compiled 149/150 before adding 22/25 in the shoot-off. Nick Ietto secured AA grade on 171/175, from 147/150 plus 24/25, while Chris Jorgensen won A grade with 168/175, shooting 143/150 and a perfect 25/25 in the shoot-off.

An excellent carnival for Katie McPherson concluded with the B grade High Gun on 167/175, comprising 149/150 plus 18/25, while Lucas Hallam took C grade outright with 136/150.

The sectional High Guns went to Mitchell Wilson in Juniors with 142/150 and Catherine Owen in Ladies, also with 142/150. Ray Peatling secured the Veteran High Gun on 162/175, having shot 141/150 before adding 21/25 in the shoot-off.

As the dust settled on another thrilling NWZ Championship Clay Target Competition, attention naturally turned to the athletes whose skill, determination and composure delivered a memorable event. Yet behind every shattered target, every perfectly run round and every podium presentation stands a group of supporters whose contribution is equally important: our sponsors. Thankyou to Best Farming Systems, Outdoor Trading Company, Promatic, GB and to J&A Shooting Supplies.

While competitors and champions often command the spotlight at a clay target championship, there is another team working tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure every target flies true: the trap personnel. A huge thankyou goes to these guys; we can't thank you enough. To the Horsham Clay Target Club for hosting such a fantastic day.

The organising committee extends its heartfelt appreciation to every sponsor, volunteer and club member who contributed to the success of this year's event. Your generosity and belief in our sport have helped create an occasion that competitors, officials and spectators will remember long after the final target was broken.

Arianne James

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Two-Day Shooting Carnival
Bundaberg Clay Target Club

Bundaberg Clay Target Club held its Two-Day Shooting Carnival on Sunday the 1st and 2nd of August, with 63 shooters vying for the trophies and cash in cool and windy conditions. A good roll up of shooters attended from Roma, Barcaldine, Chinchilla, Rockhampton, Gympie, Central Burnett, Maryborough, Gladstone, Callide Dawson, Brisbane, Condamine, Ballendean, Springsure, Kingaroy, Goondiwindi, Cloncurry, Melbourne Gun Club and Bundaberg. Numbers were slightly down on the previous year and those who attended had an enjoyable time. Good to see a good roll up of our own shooters attend.

Shooting got underway with the first shot fired at around 9.00am in cool and windy conditions. The shoot progressed well with no interruptions and finished reasonably early, letting the traveling shooters get on the road before dark. The shoot produced variable targets, some good, some not so good due to the windy conditions but no arguments. (Which is always a very good plus). Not many possibles were shot for the weekend – only nine.

Event 1: 25 target Double Barrel Cash Divide



Single Barrel Overall
Irvine Wynyard

Getting their eye in for the remainder of the shoot, there were only 6 possibles shot over the grades, but there were 12 twenty-fours.

Event 2: 30 target Single Barrel Championship, sponsored by Outdoor Sporting Agencies
Overall Irvine Wynyard 29/30, AA Grade 1st Darren Large 28/30, A Grade 1st Phillip McWhirter 29/30, B Grade 1st Donna Barletta 29/30 and C Grade 1st Brian Charteris 23/30.



Handicap winner
Emma-Lee Ross



Double Barrel Overall
Kevin Jarick

Event 3: 30 target Double Barrel Handicap, sponsored by "ELGAS"
Taking first place was local lady shooter Emma-Lee Ross 29/30. Emma-Lee took home the $500, 2nd Bryce Simpson 28/30, 3rd Phillip McWhirter 27/30, 4th Gavin Langridge 27/30.

Event 4: 30 target Double Barrel Championship, sponsored by Georadar Australia
After the shoot-off, overall was taken out by Kevin Jarick 30/30, AA Grade 1st Quaid Blyton 30/30, 1st in A Grade Jett Pearce 29/30, 1st in B grade Emma-Lee Ross 29/30 and C Grade 1st Rod Daley 28/30.

Event 5: 30 target Medley, sponsored by RTM (Road Tech Marine) and CI Industries
Overall went to Quaid Blyton 49/50 after a shoot-off. AA Grade 1st Greg Harrington 49/50, A Grade 1st Gerard Battiato 48/50, B Grade 1st Bryce Simpson 46/50 C Grade 1st Michael Holmes 45/50.

Event 6: 30 target Points Score Championship, sponsored by RTM (Road Tech Marine)
Overall was won by Irvine Wynyard 89/90, AA Grade 1st Paul Rehbein 89/90, A Grade 1st



Medley Overall
Quaid Blyton



Points Score Overall
Irvine Wynyard



Overall High Gun Paul Rehbein with President Darren Large

Nicho Nicholson 88/90, B Grade 1st Darren Watson 87/90 and C Grade 1st Rod Daley 81/90.

Event 7: 30 target Continental Championship, sponsored by Widebay Power Steering (Dupuy Family)
Overall was Phillip McWhirter 29/30, AA Grade 1st Quaid Blyton 29/30, A Grade 1st Gerard Battiato 29/30, B Grade 1st Darren Watson 29/30 and C Grade 1st Dwayne Honor 28/30.

NIOA Overall High Gun
The Overall High Gun was awarded to Paul Rehbein, shooting 267/285. Great effort from Paul over the whole weekend with the conditions as they were.

Grade High Guns, sponsored by Outdoor Sporting Agencies
AA Grade Kevin Jarick 266/285, A Grade Irvine Wynyard 261/285, B Grade Bryce Simpson 249/285 and C Grade Rod Daley 237/285.



Ladies High Gun
Tracey Harker



Continental Overall Phillip McWhirter with President Darren Large and Brent Dupuy



Junior High Gun
Quaid Blyton



AA Grade High Gun
Kevin Jarick



A Grade High Gun
Irvine Wynyard



C Grade High Gun
Rod Daley



B Grade High Gun
Bryce Simpson

Rob Rehbein Memorial Section High Guns Ladies High Gun Tracey Harker 247/285, Veterans High Gun Nicho Nicholson 260/285 and Junior High Gun Quaid Blyton 261/285.

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Veteran High Gun Nicho Nicholson with Paul & Kaye Rehbein

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2026 NSW ISSF Skeet and Trap Championships

The 2026 event was the 3rd and final selection event for the World Championship team positions, with shooters keen to perform and secure a place in the World Championship Shooting Australia teams.

The Mens trap event was at capacity for the daylight available at this time of year, and only 1 position remained unfilled in the Womens field. A strong result which shows the continued interest in the ISSF events.

The event was a combined effort between NSWCTA as the host association Shooting Australia and the SISC Office of Sport team who run the facility.

While there was some mechanical and electrical failures during this event that contributed to some frustration and difficulty the staff at the SISC are committed to solving those problems and getting the facility up to the world class facility it is capable of being. Shooting Australia, the ACTA and NSWCTA are all looking to work with SISC to rectify these



issues, and hopefully the ACTA Nationals in January will run much smoother.

Even with the difficulties, it should be noted that both men's and women's trap finals were won with perfect scores, a fantastic achievement by both athletes.

ISSF SKEET RESULTS

The 2026 NSW ISSF Skeet Championships attracted 21 nominated shooters for the 125-target qualification program, which determined the grade and section honours as well as the competitors progressing to the Men's and Women's Finals.

In AA Grade, Mildura's Luke Argiro took first place with 115/125, while Frank Morris from Cecil Park CTC secured second following a shoot-off after recording 114/125, Morris adding a perfect 8/8.

A Grade went to Melbourne junior George Papachristoforos with an impressive 115/125, while Hobart's Matthew Ponsonby-Glover finished second on 106/125. Guyra's Charlie Ward claimed B Grade with 103/125 ahead of Majura Park's Michael Hackett on 99/125, while another Guyra shooter, Andy Landenberger, won C Grade with 102/125 from Canberra's Paul Galati on 65/125.

George Papachristoforos also claimed the Junior honours with his 115/125.

In the Ladies section, Charlie Ward headed the qualification scores with 103/125, followed by MCC-ACTA's Brittany Melbourne on 99/125 and Melbourne's Sarah Caldwell with 84/125. With only three women competing, all three progressed to the Women's Final.

The Men's qualification was headed by Luke Argiro and George Papachristoforos, who had each returned 115/125. A shoot-off saw Argiro take the leading qualifying position with 2/2 to Papachristoforos' 1/2.

Frank Morris and Richmond River's Matthew Everingham were also tied after qualification, both recording 114/125. Their shoot-off saw Morris shoot 8/8 to take third qualifying position, with Everingham fourth following 7/8. Joshua Bell from Cecil Park CTC qualified fifth with 111/125 and Matthew Ponsonby-Glover sixth on 106/125, while Andy Landenberger took seventh with 102/125.



Womens Skeet Winner



Mens Skeet Final winners, L-R: Josh Bell, Matthew Everingham, Frank Morris



Womens Skeet Final winners, Brittany Melbourne, Charlie Ward, Sarah Caldwell



Skeet Men Final winners, Frank Morris, Josh Bell. Matthew Everingham absent

The final position went to Canberra's Aaron Deans following another shoot-off. His qualification score was 99/125 and a 2/2 shoot-off secured eighth position and the last place in the Men's Final.

Women's Final

With only three competitors contesting the Women's Final, Charlie Ward, Brittany Melbourne and Sarah Caldwell began the separate final competition with their qualification scores put aside.

Sarah Caldwell was the first eliminated, finishing with 16/32 to secure the bronze medal and third place.

That left Charlie Ward and Brittany Melbourne to contest the championship over the full 36 targets. It remained extremely close, with Melbourne finishing on an excellent 26/36 to take the silver medal before Ward prevailed by the narrowest possible margin, her 27/36 earning the 2026 NSW ISSF Women's Skeet Championship, State Red Sash and Silver State Badge.

Men's Final

The Men's Final demonstrated just how quickly the order established during qualification could change once the eight finalists began again from scratch.

After the opening 12 targets, Andy Landenberger was the first eliminated, finishing eighth with 6/12. Qualification leader Luke Argiro was next to leave the competition, his 8/12 placing him seventh despite having headed the field following the 125 target qualifying program.

The next stage took the remaining competitors through 24 targets, with Aaron Deans finishing

sixth on 18/24 and Matthew Ponsonby-Glover fifth with 19/24.

George Papachristoforos, who had qualified second, progressed through 28 targets before his 23/28 placed him fourth, leaving the three medal positions to be decided.

Frank Morris secured the bronze medal after recording 26/32, leaving fellow Cecil Park CTC shooter Joshua Bell and Richmond River's Matthew Everingham to contest the championship.



Womens Trap Final winners, Penny Smith, Laetisha Scanlan, Catherine Skinner

Both completed the full 36 target final, Bell producing 31/36 to secure the silver medal. Everingham, who had entered the final from fourth qualifying position, finished strongly with 33/36 to become the 2026 NSW ISSF Men's Skeet Champion, earning the State Red Sash and Silver State Badge.

NSW Skeet Teams

The NSW Open Skeet Team comprised Matthew Everingham (Richmond River) 114/125, Frank Morris (Cecil Park CTC) 114/125 and Andy Landenberger (Guyra) 102/125, with Charlie Ward (Guyra) 103/125 listed as the Ladies representative.

The NSW Men's Postal Team comprised Frank Morris 114/125, Matthew Everingham 114/125 and Andy Landenberger 102/125, with Charlie Ward 103/125 again listed as the Ladies representative.

No Junior or Veteran teams were recorded.



Mens Trap Final 2, Charlton & Nathan

ISSF TRAP RESULTS

With 89 shooters contesting the 2026 NSW ISSF Trap Championships, the opening 125-target qualification program decided the grade and section honours as well as determining the eight men and eight women who would progress to their respective finals.

In AA Grade, West Victorian's Charlton Vella headed the field with an excellent 122/125. Thomas Grice from Sydney finished with 120/125 before a shoot-off was required to settle second place, Grice prevailing with 8/8.

Su Kwek took the A Grade honours with 110/125, ahead of Sydney's Phill Chryssovelonis on 108/125. In B Grade, Melbourne's Wes Asmar returned 109/125 to claim first place, with Lauren Love from Toowoomba second on 104/125. Singleton shooter David White topped C Grade with 104/125, just one target clear of Toowoomba's Graeme Love, who finished on 103/125.

The Junior 21 and under honours went to Lucas Furlan from MCC-ACTA following his strong 116/125 qualification performance, while Chris Robinson claimed the Veteran section with 103/125.

The Ladies qualification saw Colac's Penny Smith lead the way with 118/125, followed by Mansfield's



Mens Trap Final winners, Charlton Vella, Nathan Argiro, Mitchell Iles



Womens Trap Final winners, Penny Smith, Laetisha Scanlan, Catherine Skinner

Catherine Skinner on 116/125 and Frankston CTC's Laetisha Scanlan with 114/125. Su Kwek was fourth on 110/125, Kiara Dean from Echuca fifth with 109/125, Lauren Love sixth on 104/125, Natalie Foss seventh with 103/125 and Melbourne's Aimee Norris completed the eight finalists on 102/125.

In the Men's qualification, Charlton Vella led the field on 122/125, while a shoot-off was required after Thomas Grice and Mildura's Nathan Argiro both returned 120/125. Grice shot 8/8 to take second qualifying position, with Argiro's 7/8 placing him third. Owen Robinson



Veteran Trap winner, Chris Robinson



Junior Trap winner, Lucas Furlan



Mens Trap winner, Nathan Argiro

and MCC-ACTA's James Willett had each shot 119/125, Robinson taking fourth after a 2/2 shoot-off to Willett's 1/2. Jeff Tonna and Echuca's Mitchell Iles were locked on 118/125, Tonna's 4/4 securing sixth qualifying position ahead of Iles on 3/4, while Lucas Furlan completed the eight-man final line-up with 116/125.

Women's Final

With qualification order and bib numbers assigned all eight competitors started on zero in the final, the Women's Final progressively reduced the field as the competition continued.

After the opening 10 targets, Aimee Norris was the first eliminated with 7/10, followed by Natalie Foss on 8/10. The next stage saw Lauren Love finish sixth with 11/15 and Kiara Dean fifth on 12/15, before Su Kwek was eliminated in fourth place after recording 16/20.

That left the three medal positions to be decided. Catherine Skinner secured the bronze medal with 22/25 before Penny Smith and Laetisha Scanlan continued through the full 30-target final. Smith finished with an excellent 27/30 to claim the silver medal, but Scanlan produced a perfect 30/30 to become the 2026 NSW ISSF Women's Trap Champion, earning the State Red Sash and Silver State Badge.

Men's Final

The Men's Final produced its own change in fortunes from the qualification round, with Nathan Argiro, who had qualified third, eventually emerging as State Champion.

After the first 10 targets, Jeff Tonna was eliminated in eighth position with 6/10, followed by Lucas Furlan in seventh on 8/10. James Willett and Owen Robinson each completed 15 targets with scores of 13/15, finishing sixth and fifth respectively in the order recorded for the final.

Thomas Grice, who had qualified second, was next to leave the competition, his 18/20 placing him fourth. Mitchell Iles then produced an outstanding 24/25 to secure the bronze medal in third place.

The championship was left to Nathan Argiro and Charlton Vella, and both continued through the full 30 targets. Vella finished with an impressive 28/30 to earn the silver medal, but Argiro could not be headed, completing a perfect 30/30 to claim the 2026 NSW ISSF Men's Trap Championship, State Red Sash and Silver State Badge.

NSW Trap Teams

The NSW Open Trap Team comprised Thomas Grice (Sydney) 120/125, Marco Corbo (West Sydney) 114/125 and Luke Cassar (Cecil Park CTC) 111/125.

The NSW Men's Postal Team was therefore the same combination of Thomas Grice 120/125, Marco Corbo 114/125 and Luke Cassar 111/125.

The NSW Junior Postal Team comprised Nasser Abdellatif (West Sydney) 93/125 and Jack Milligan (Parkes GC) 87/125, while the Veteran Postal Team was Jeffrey Persson (NSWGC) 95/125 and Mauro Conti (Cecil Park CTC) 90/125.

There were insufficient NSW lady shooters to form a Womens Team.





Psychological Skills for Shooting

by Michael Kruger-Davis

Lies we tell ourselves

One current approach to dealing with everyday problems that humans face is called "cognitive-behaviour therapy". Put simply, this approach refers to our behaviours being influenced or affected by our thinking. If our thinking causes problem behaviours, then changing the thoughts will lead to behaviours changing. That is the theory. This philosophy goes back a long way: even quoted by Shakespeare in Hamlet (Act 2, Scene 2). "There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so."

When I practised as a cognitive-behavioural therapist, it was an important therapeutic approach to help clients deal with the issues they bring to counselling. This is also important in helping athletes improve their skills and performance. For example, if a shooter doesn't like right hand swingers, then it's likely that his thoughts will tell him he cannot shoot them. This may cause him to tense up and doubt his ability to shoot the target when he sees it. The combination of tension and self-doubt will lead to him miss the target and reinforce his belief that he cannot shoot these targets.

Dr Stephanie Burns has written a book "Great Lies we Live By." This book is essential reading as part of the Parelli Natural Horsemanship which looks at being a better horseman by understanding how horses think and behave. Stephanie Burns has a background in teaching adults and together with Linda and Pat Parelli they have put together a program to get people to enjoy their sport more by understanding both the horse, and themselves more. The book is written in two parts and in this article, I want to examine the first part which explores the lies we tell ourselves that hinder our ability to learn, grow and develop. As you read down the list of lies that impact on our ability, remember that when we shoot, we are in fact learning and trying to improve: be it to win a national championship or achieve a personal best. These lies get in the way of learning, improving and having fun.

Lie No. 1 I am stupid. Whilst you might think you are stupid, look at what you have learned over your lifetime. We are all learning all the time. Believing that your stupid only gives you an excuse not to try to learn because you think that you will not be able to achieve what you are expecting.

Lie No. 2 I am a failure. Failing is an interesting concept. Whilst it is possible that we do not pass an exam, this doesn't mean that we are a failure. It may mean that we didn't prepare properly, we were anxious, or we hadn't generalised the skills well enough. Burns believes that learning requires incorporating all the steps needed in moving from incompetence to competent. Getting something wrong or failing may be an important step in eventually learning the skill. Failure often occurs because we haven't learnt to think differently and we keep trying to do the same thing and thereby continue to make the same mistake.

Lie No. 3 I need talent. Most people who perform well do so because they were taught properly, practise often and persevere. They also have a belief in their own ability. Talent is something that comes once you've learnt the skill because you're able to effectively set goals and are persistent in achieving them.

Lie No. 4. Learning just happens. Learning happens when we make the choice to improve a skill, concept or knowledge. This choice may be a subconscious thought, but it happens easier if we are able to break the task up into smaller parts and learn the foundation skills first, and then when these have been mastered move onto the more complicated parts. An important aspect is that learning occurs faster and easier if we are having fun at the same time.

Lie No. 5. I am not bothered by what other people think of me. I said earlier in a previous article that "what other think of me is none of my business". Whilst this is a great credo to live by it is very difficult to attain because we all have expectations of our self and often believe that we need to live up to the expectations of others as well. Tim Gallwey, author of the Inner Game of

Golf, believes that to perform well we need to rid ourselves of the judgements of our performance; both our own and those of others.

Lie No. 6. Concentrate on your mistakes and not on your achievements. This has to be the greatest lie of all. If you focus on what you do wrong, then you'll keep making the same mistake. For the shooter, it is important to look at what you are doing right when you hit the targets. Then explore what happened when you missed. Correct the problem and then go back to what you did right and do that again. Focus on the success.

Lie No. 7. We all learn the same. It would be easy here to become very technical and explore differences in perception and information processing, learning styles; visual, auditory and kinaesthetic. But I won't because it probably doesn't matter. What matters is that as a learner you are motivated, encouraged and enjoy the teaching/learning process.

Part of learning is to take risks. However formal education usually teaches us that risk taking is dangerous. By dangerous, I mean dangerous to our self-esteem or self- concept. If you were to walk into a kindergarten class and ask "who can sing or who can draw?" The whole class would enthusiastically put up their hands. By year three, the same questions would be answered by only half of the class putting up their hands. By year six, it may be only five or six children, and by year twelve, it would be one or two at best. To effectively learn, be prepared to take risks, try differently and have fun. If we think that we can do something, then our thoughts will lead to actions that will prove ourselves right.

The second part of Stephanie Burns book "Great Lies we live by" looks at the eleven essential lessons we need to adopt to 'cancel' out the lies and put us back on track to learn and improve.

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Bendigo Clay Target Club – Monthly Compak

Fifty-four shooters in total were at Bendigo on Saturday October 3rd for our monthly 100 target Compak event. Despite the doom and gloom weather forecast the day went quite well, with only one unlucky group of shooters getting caught in rain that lasted about 25 minutes. Seemed the weather gods were looking after us as the storms appeared to head north and south of us on the day.



Compak Overall
Mick Easton

The great range of targets presented across the course were enjoyed by all.

Thanks to all our volunteers, set-up crew, pack-up, office and canteen, a small group of volunteers that make the day enjoyable for others.

Tight scoring at the top saw Overall winner Mick Easton 94/100 just edging out Ricky Keirl on 93/100. Both were from the Bendigo club.

With Easton taking the Overall honours, Keirl claimed AA Grade with his excellent 93/100, ahead of Beaufort's John Handley on 90/100.

A Grade produced another close contest, with Bendigo's Garry Attwood taking first place with 91/100, just one target clear of clubmate and Junior shooter Brodie Hipwell on 90/100.



Ricky Keirl
AA Grade Ist



Theo Saris
C Grade Ist



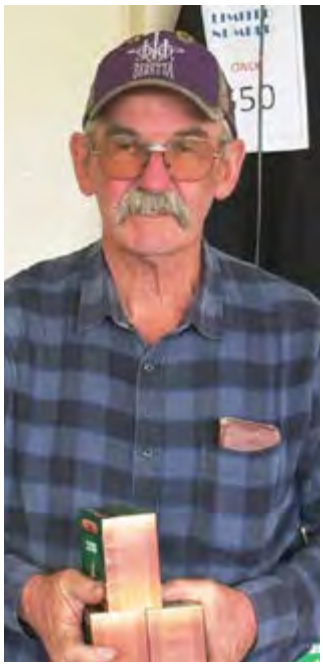
Brodie Hipwell
A Grade 2nd



Steve Bailey
C Grade 2nd



Cameron Morris
B Grade Ist



Peter Finn
B Grade 2nd



Veteran Tony Connell with President Glenn Woodhatch



Marcus Keirl
Junior

Beaufort's Cameron Morris defeated Peter Finn in a shoot-off for B Grade by onr shot. Bendigo's Peter Finn, who took second with 80/100.

Steven Bailey (Bendigo) won C Grade with 65/100, while second place was shared by Wonthaggi's Rachael Wiggins and Mornington CTC's Neil Bakker after both finished on 55/100.

The sections saw some strong performances, with Bendigo's Marcus Keirl winning Junior with 87/100 and Aimee Attwood taking the Ladies section, also with 87/100. Tony Connell completed the section winners for Bendigo, claiming Veteran with 85/100.

A reminder to all our Bendigo members not to miss the first leg of the Mountain Duck Challenge against Bendigo Field & Game, at Bendigo Field & Game on Saturday, October 24, followed by the return leg at Bendigo Clay Target Club on Saturday, November 7.

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Western Australian State DTL Championships

Eastern Goldfields Clay Target Club

Wild Weather, flooding and DTL Hall of Fame at Kalgoorlie, and all at the WA State DTL Carnival.

When WACTA made the decision to allocate the State DTL Championships to Eastern Goldfields Clay Target Club (EGCTC), little did we know that the beautiful sunny weather that normally blanketed the Goldfields region in September, would turn into unseasonal thunderstorms, hail and flooding. This statement is backed up by photos, one where there is a cascade of water pouring down from the gutter because of the intensity and one whereby some AI-clued person has jokingly placed a fisherman plus boat on EGCTC's 4th layout (the flooding is true).



The tempest hit on Friday just after we had finished the first day's events and man did it hit. In the half hour it threw sheeting rain then the hail and by the time it finished, the ranges were flooded plus caravans inaccessible and cars bogged (almost). Weather Bureau said that it was about 20mm in that time. What a welcome to Kalgoorlie, thank goodness the races weren't on – only us foolish shooters.

Thankfully Chris Strickland and co from Mersey Club came across for the shoot early and serviced all the machinery and had great days to do that. Thank you Chris and co for doing such a wonderful job, it was much appreciated by EGCTC and the shooters.

So, day 1 started with the 75 target State Champion of Champions (in clear weather) with a clear winner being Royce Normington 123/125 (EGCTC). This was the start of a great Carnival for him as he was also being inducted into the WACTA Hall of Fame. P. House (Boyup Brook) and T. Atkins





Champion of Champions Overall, Royce Normington with Murray Cornish

(Mersey) vied for 1st and 2nd AA with Ross "Elvis" Cummings (NSWGC) taking out 3rd. A Grade thought that they would start the Carnival in style with a 3-way shoot-off and G. Rush (The Forest) winning over D. Atkins (Mersey) and R. Whiteley (EGCTC). As to B and C Grades, they went with the same flow as Royce with clear result. B Grade



Champion of Champions AA Grade



Champion of Champions A Grade



Champion of Champions B Grade



Champion of Champions C Grade

won by M. Kamo (EGCTC) from Tegan Stanley (Denmark) and D. Neale (Esperance), the C Grade saw Junior R. Finn (Boyup Brook) take out the top position from R. Pomfret and Sue Kamo (both EGCTC). Ladies went to Julia Collin (WAGC), Junior to Jack Griffith (Boyup Brook) and Veterans to Hopetoun legend, Bernie Biddulph. Just an aside note, there were 97 shooters, but in that number were a group of Mersey Club (Tasmania) members plus a squad from NSW.

After Event 1, we went into the State Double Rise with 97 participants. Phil House 46/50 (Boyup Brook) started his journey towards the final goal of the Carnival High Gun by winning this event cleanly, just like Royce in Event 1. A. Fiek (Echuca) shot off against local WA shooter P. Luis for 1st AA Grade with A. Passmore (both CDSSA) taking out 3rd. J. Saville (EGCTC) defeated B. Pay (Bendigo) after a 36 target shoot-off for A Grade and T. Maloney took 3rd in grade. N. Karger (Esperance) vied with D. Atkins (Mersey) for the honours in B Grade, with Neville winning and D. Guadagnino (Boyup Brook) taking the 3rd place.

Long ago Junior M. Howley (EGCTC) took out C Grade from J. Strickland (Mersey) and B. Biddulph. Jack Griffiths won the Juniors, Jacqueline Twigg the Ladies and Neill McWhirter the Veterans.

We ended the day there to enjoy a couple of "coldies", pizza and to watch the electrical storm come in and totally saturate the ranges and club area. The marquees that had been erected were supposed to be for shade cover, not torrential rain cover – but hey, it all worked out.



Double Rise Overall, Phil House with Murray Cornish



Double Rise B Grade



Double Rise C Grade



Double Rise AA Grade



Double Rise Junior & Ladies

Next morning came and with it the vision of some partially flooded ranges where gumboots may have been needed. The rain was still present and WACTA had to ensure that the "Lightning Policy" was abided by all who were shooting. First event of the day, Event 3 50 target State DTL Handicap, saw Junior Jack Griffith (Boyup Brook) achieve his very first Open State title sash with a 58/58. He noted that having recently been accepted as part of the Southwest Sports Academy has assisted his determination and focus for his goals in the sport. 2nd was P. House, 3rd R. Whiteley, 4th G. Rush and 5th J. Vella (West Sydney). In all, 104 members shot the Handicap. On this event, a new Perpetual Trophy was introduced by WACTA under the name of "The Murray Cornish Perpetual Trophy – 25 Metre" which recognised all the shooters who shoot 25m and above. The winner of the Inaugural Trophy was Ross Cummings (NSWGC) with a 51/58. The Perpetual Trophy was named after Murray Cornish for his services to the sport in the area of Police Liaison with the WA Firearm Law changes.

Rain persisted over the day, with the second event on Saturday being 50 targets State Single Barrel which was capably won by Josh Fleay 52/54 (Busselton) from AA Graders D. Smith (WAGC), T. Atkins and R. Normington. Mersey member, P. Jones, didn't want to be the only member who didn't get on the podium and took out A Grade from M. Voke and R. Herridge (both WAGC). Then Julia Collin had no competition to take out B Grade from W. Walsh (Esperance) and P. Moore



Handicap winners



Ross Cummins, 25m Handicap winner with Murray Cornish



Single Barrel Overall, Josh Fleay

(Geraldton) who had to duke it out in a shoot-off. B. Pallant (EGCTC) won C Grade over S. Vitetta (WAGC) and J. Borden (EGCTC). Tim Blakeney (Geraldton) won the Veterans, Hayley Colaguiri (Esperance) the Ladies and Jack Griffiths the Junior.

That completed the day and presentations took place. Once they were over, there was a lull in proceedings then came the WACTA Hall of Fame evening whereby Royce Normington was inducted. WACTA President Julie Santostefano presented Royce with his award then Jim West cited all of Royce's achievements since his first win in 2009 including his "Hat Trick" finally achieved at the 2025 ACTA DTL Nationals in Perth. Murray



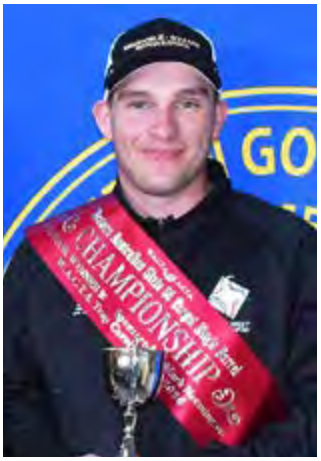
Single Barrel AA Grade



Single Barrel A Grade



Single Barrel B Grade



Single Barrel Junior



Single Barrel Ladies



Single Barrel C Grade

Royce Normington – Hall of Fame Inductee









Alexander OAM, then gave Royce a "Welcome to the HOF Club" and congratulated him plus his family for their support (wife Bec, mother Jo and father Mark). The night stretched on whilst light rain fell outside, but all were looked after with the catering and drinks on hand. Well done Royce on your induction into the WACTA Hall of Fame.

First up on Sunday morning was the Zone Teams Event which had been carried over from the previous day due to the rain. The Northern Zone of A. Da Luz, A. Passmore, P. Luis (CDSSA), P. Moore and T. Blakeney (Geraldton) won with 123/125 and 361/375 from Eastern Zone with the same scores but when it went to the Top 3 shooters of each team, Northern team won on a 75/75 and 221/22,5 being 1 point different from the Eastern Zone on 75/75 and 220/225. All five Zones were represented. Congratulations Northern Zone.



Northern Zone Team



Double Barrel Overall, Royce Normington

Following this, Event 5, 50 target Winchester Perpetual State Double Barrel took place with 104 members shooting. Royce Normington showed that he hasn't lost his Nationals ability to compete in lengthy shoot-offs by winning the State title with a 184/184, vying against P. House, M. Iwankiw (EGCTC), J. Saville and G. Rush who all shot 50/50's. P. House then went onto win AA Grade from M. Iwankiw and J. Saville, whilst G. Rush won A Grade, leaving M. Voke and R. Day (WAGC) to duke it out for 2nd and 3rd. R. Finlay outsmarted a 2-way shoot-off with P. Moore to win B Grade with Julia Collin receiving 3rd. J. Strickland was alone on the podium for the 1st in C Grade but Hayley Colaguiri had a very short shoot-off



Double Barrel AA Grade



Double Barrel A Grade



Double Barrel B Grade



Double Barrel C Grade



Double Barrel Ladies



Double Barrel Veteran



Roy Alexander Double Barrel Juniors

with J. Borden to secure 2nd and him 3rd. The Roy Alexander Junior Trophy went to Ryder Finn 44/50 from L. Tuccio (WAGC) and J. Griffiths. Tegan Stanley won the Ladies and Joe Gilbert attained the Veterans. All in all 111 shooters participated.

On Sunday night there was a Beef and Pork roast put on for all plus at the end of the night a mini auction conducted by Marty Miles on behalf of the Coaching. The mini auction consisted of approx. 3 kg Marron (donated by Deanne and Nathan Blake – Nabawarra) and a fruit, nibbles and wine hamper. The Marron was heavily sought after and all monies raised went to support Coaching around WA. Over the 4 days there were two other mega raffles supporting General Coaching and Female Development Initiative in WA. Thank you to all the donors, especially Saville Projectiles, Exchange Hotel Kalgoorlie, Winchester, Park Property Group, Donna and Craig O'Connor, Gloria and Rob Carstairs, Julie Santostefano and Mark Normington. Without your support, the WACTA Coaching division can only do so much, but this source of funding helps take us further. Thank you all for your support.

That ended Sunday and with it most of the rain, but the lightning persisted from time to time. On Monday, Event 6, 50 target State Double Barrel Points Score took place with 108 members shooting. Again Royce Normington 153/153 dominated with a lengthy shoot-off by winning the State title from the only other 50/50, A. Fiek. He went on to win AA Grade from J. Evans (Boyup Brook) and J. Baker (Narrogin) who unfortunately had a gun breakdown on Saturday that was irreparable so was using another gun. There was a 3-way shoot-off with a much smaller amount of targets involved. M. Miles (EGCTC) won A Grade taking 1st from D. Atkins and W. Kuser (Denmark). Geraldton will see more of this member, P. Moore, who had slowly been getting prizes over the weekend and this time it was 1st



Points Score Overall, Royce Normington



Points Score AA Grade



Points Score C Grade



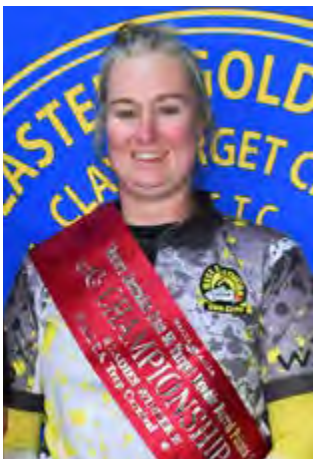
Points Score B Grade



Points Score A Grade



Points Score Junior



Points Score Ladies



Points Score Veteran

B Grade from G. McCormick (Denmark) and D. Debattista (EGCTC). D. Davies (Newman) finally got on the podium taking 1st place in C Grade from J. Borden and junior R. Finn. N. McWhirter added a 2nd Veterans sash as did Julia Collin for the Ladies and Jack Griffith his 4th Junior sash to go with his Open Sash.

The State Teams were identified and the subsequent shoot-off for the Postal Team plus State Team positioning took place. The State DTL Open Team consists of R. Normington, D. Smith, J. Evans (H/G), J. Fleay, M. Howley, P. Luis, S. Gee, P. House, A. Da Luz, M. Iwankiw, A. Passmore, S. Crocker, J. Saville, J. Baker and K. Smith. Ladies saw J. Collin (her first State Team), T. O'Connor (H/G), T. Stanley, J. Santostefano, H. Colaguiri and A. Anderson make up the WA Ladies Team. J. Gilbert (H/G), N. McWhirter, S .O'Brien and R. Herridge made up the Veterans and unfortunately two veteran members declined to shoot so their positions were filled by the next veterans on the list. Over the State Carnival we had only three Juniors, so the Team consisted of J. Griffith, R. Finn (H/G) and L. Tuccia. It's Ryder and Lucca's first State Team. Congratulation to all the State Team members who have qualified and no doubt

the State Coaching Director will be contacting you soon re your availability for the 2027 ACTA DTL Nationals in Wagga from 15th – 21st March 2027.

At the completion of the day's activities, there was one last event which was taken over the SB/DB/DB Pts and that was the "Katanning Bullet", whereby a 5 Person Club Team is registered for the prestige of bragging rights. This year Eastern Goldfields CTC made it 3 in a row winning with a 1169/1250 from WAGC 1167/1250. Winning team consisted of R. Normington, J. Saville, M. Iwankiw, Tori O'Connor and D. Debattista. Congratulations EGCTC on your record.



WA State Veteran Team

WACTA hosted an Interclub Postal Shoot whereby scores are recorded in both DTL and Skeet. This year, there was fierce



WA State Open Team



WA State Ladies Team



WA State Junior Team



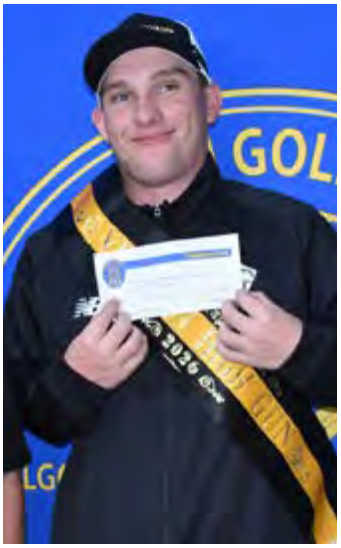
Katanning Bullet won by Eastern Goldfields CTC



Overall High Gun
Royce Normington



State InterClub Postal Team, Esperance



Above: Junior High Gun
Jack Griffiths



Right: Veteran High Gun
Bernard Pay

rivalry between two eastern Zone Clubs – EGCTC and Esperance, with Esperance being the victors 245/250 to EGCTC 238/250. Team members for Esperance were J. Vohland, T. Maloney, S. Crocker, A. Dinnison and N. Karger. Well done guys on winning the 2025 DTL Pennant.

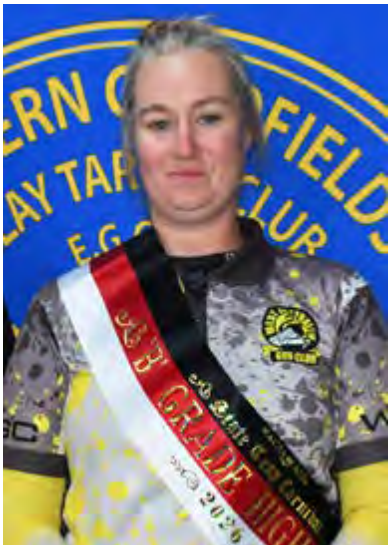
The final of the presentation for the 2026 State DTL Carnival were the High Guns. No one had to guess who the Overall High Gun winner would be as it was just a matter of icing on the cake after his induction into the WACTA Hall of Fame. Royce Normington took the honour with a 452/475, Tegan Stanley won the Ladies High Gun, Bernard Pay the Veterans and Jack Griffiths the Junior. Grades went to Phil House (AA) who pushed Royce all the way and ended up one target behind, Daniel Atkin (A), Julia Collin (B) and J. Borden (C).



AA Grade High Gun
Phil House



A Grade High Gun
Daniel Atkin



B Grade High Gun
Julia Collin



C Grade High Gun
J Borden



Such heavy rain, the gutters couldn't cope



Above: Ladies High Gun
Tegan Stanley

Below: Carnival Ladies

Over the Carnival, it was good to see so many females competing plus all the visitors from interstate who came all the way to Kalgoorlie.

Thank you to EGCTC, the sourced sponsors who make the Carnival a worthwhile, Mersey boys for their assistance in the trap machinery area and all the volunteers that cover every aspect of the Carnival operations.

Congratulations to all the winners, members and particularly the new members who participated in making the State Titles Carnival a success at Kalgoorlie.

See you in 2027 at WA Gun Club, Perth.









2026 ChiCo Cup

West Australian Gun Club



The 2026 ChiCo Cup – 400 Skeet Doubles, held at the West Australian Gun Club, delivered a fantastic weekend of American Skeet Doubles, with plenty of great shooting, fierce competition and camaraderie on the layout. A huge thank you to all the competitors who attended, supported the event and helped make the return of the ChiCo Cup a success. Without the shooters turning up and competing, there is no event.

The ChiCo Cup carries a special piece of Western Australian clay target shooting history, with its origins dating back to the historic Azzurri Gun Club. Records show the inaugural Chico Cup was

Right: Winner Matthew De Paoli

Below: Matthew De Paoli with Germano Chiarle and Jon Dyas, two original members of the former Azzuri Gun Club





Johnnie Dichiera & Skeet Captain, Greg Schweikert



Shane O'Brien



Rob Pond



Jon Dyas

contested at Azzurri in 1980, attracting an impressive field of 60 shooters. More than four decades later, it was fantastic to see the ChiCo Cup name and its competitive spirit brought back to life in a new format through 400 targets of American Skeet Doubles.

It was particularly special to have Germano Chiarle, one of the founders of the ChiCo Cup from the historic Azzurri Gun Club, together with Jon Dyas of the Collie Clay Target Club, himself a former Azzurri Club member, on hand to present the Cup to our 2026 winner, Matthew De Paoli of Collie Clay Target Club.

A great moment connecting the history of the event with a new chapter in the ChiCo Cup story.

A big thank you to the West Australian Gun Club (staff, committee and members) who contributed in the lead up to the event and throughout the weekend. Your time and effort behind the scenes helped ensure everything ran as smoothly as possible.

A massive congratulations to Matthew De Paoli on some outstanding shooting throughout the weekend, claiming Overall High Gun and taking down the 2026 ChiCo Cup! A fantastic performance – well done, Matthew!

Congratulations also to all the other winners and placegetters across the weekend.

That brings the 2026 ChiCo Cup to a close. From its beginnings at Azzurri to its return in 2026, it was fantastic to see a piece of WA shooting history celebrated while creating something we can continue to build on into the future.

We look forward to seeing the ChiCo Cup return bigger and better in 2027, with an even stronger field and another action packed weekend of American Skeet Doubles.



Jennie White



Terry Marsden

Competition Results

SACTA

Broken Hill 12/09/2026
Fine 23 (36): 25T Silver City PS CS: OA: A Ietto 90/90; AA: J Nicholls 89/90, D Ashwood 125/126; A: E Yetman 74/75, G Pritchard 72/75; B: K Rees 73/78, N Wehrmann 72/78; C: S Jenner 66/75, J Standley 52/75; LAD: T Harman 67/75; VET: D Fisher 70/75; 25T Silver City SB CS: OA: T Harman 25/25; AA: B Grossi 24/25, S Gallagher 54/57; A: D Fisher 24/25, I Long 24/26; B: M Hooper 23/25, K Rees 24/28; C: J Standley 19/25, S Jenner 19/27; VET: E Yetman 23/25; 25T Silver City DB CS: OA: J Nicholls 168/168; AA: A Ietto 167/168, S Gallagher 51/52; A: T Harman 157/158, D Fisher 26/27; B: L Gray 27/28, P Smith 26/28; C: K Butcher 39/41, J Standley 37/41; LAD: K Rees 23/25; VET: E Yetman 25/26; Silver City HC: Ist: D Ashwood 80/80, 2nd: J Moore 79/80, 3rd: S Jenner 41/42; Silver City Saturday HG: OA: B Grossi 147/150; 13/9/2026 – 75T Silver City Ch/Ch: OA: D Nicholls 123/125; AA: N Ietto 121/125, R Jones 145/150; A: P Grossi 122/125, T Harman 139/150; B: R Freeman 112/125, T Dipaolo 109/125; C: J Butcher 111/125, J Standley 97/125; LAD: K Rees 108/125; VET: R Walsh 119/125; 12&13/9/26 - Silver City CS HG: OA HG: A Ietto 266/275; AA HG: D Nicholls 275/285; A HG: E Yetman 258/275; B HG: K Rees 246/275; C HG: S Jenner 220/275; LAD HG: T Harman 253/275; VET: P Grossi 254/275.

Mount Gambier 12/09/2026
Fine, Sunny (39): 50T B/T: AA: G Height 46/50; A: D Simson 48/50, T Jenkins 45/50; B: S Chambers 41/50, M Little 38/50; C: H Simson 39/50, M Rudd 38/52; 25T DB: OA & AA: D Simson 102/102, G Height 101/102; A: M Nolte 29/30, M Medhurst 28/29; B: S Fleming 28/29, M Rudd 25/26; C: T Lloyd 24/25, G Bowd 23/25; 25T SB: AA: G Height 24/25, D Pratt 23/25; A: M Medhurst 23/25, H Megaw 21/25; B: H Simson 25/25, A Funcke 22/26; C: P Klieve 24/25, T Lloyd 20/25; HG: D Simson 96/100.

Mount Gambier 30/08/2026
Fine (17): 50t SKT: AA: J Kent 49/50, G Kessegian 45/50; A: D Simson 48/50, K Mules 44/50; B: D Pratt 45/50, B Spring 44/50; C: P Winser 36/50, H Simson 35/50; 25pr SKT: A: J Kent 48/50, D Simson 46/52; B: S Fleming 42/50, N Praino 34/50; C: H Simson 45/50, B Spring 42/52.

South Australian 27/09/2026
Warm, Mild (30): 50T SKT: A: R Warden 49/50, T Carlesso 46/50; B: J Hennig 42/50, J Cricelli 35/50; C: S Zerafa 38/50, B Hammond 30/50; VET: L Schubert 45/50; 25T SB: AA: G Coppola 21/25; A: R Rossi 21/27, T Carlesso 20/27; B: P Marmorale 19/25, R James 20/27; C: G Hamilton 20/25, M Djoric 18/25; VET: B Quinzi 19/25; 25T PS: AA: G Coppola 72/75; A: T Carlesso 70/75, R Rossi 64/75; B: L Carlesso 72/75, P Bourne 71/75; C: J Parker 65/75, S Byrnes 64/75; VET: P Marmorale 68/75; 25T DB: OA: R Warden 37/37; AA: R Warden 37/37, G Coppola 36/37; A: T Carlesso 24/25, R Rossi 23/25; B: P Bourne 24/25, P Marmorale 23/25; C: S Byrnes 24/25, M Djoric 28/30; VET: G Carter 21/25; HG: G Coppola 118/125, G Coppola 118/125.

See South Australian ad p. 81

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See Northern Territory ad p. 82

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Peel 20/09/2026
A perfect 21 degrees (23): 100T SB: OA: T Burnard 95/100; AA: T Burnard 95/100; A: C Shales 92/100, G Symons 86/100, B Ginbey 85/100, D Richter 84/100; B: A Mitchell 86/104, J Evans 85/104, K Tuckey 83/102, D Cardwell 79/100; C: D Heasman 81/100, D Ball 74/100, P Scott 73/100, J Quattrini 60/100.

West Australian 03/10/2026
Whiteman Park: Clear, Sunny; DTL Trap: 20/25; DTL Trap: 23/25.

See West Australian ads p. 83 & p. 84

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Atherton 27/09/2026
Overcast & Windy (39): 25T PS CD: AA: R Hunter (V) 70/75, M Venter (V) 59/75; A: M Chuck 67/75, G Walker 66/75; B: P Vit (V) 59/75, M Martin (V) 58/75; C: A Strano (V) 56/75, K Puttlitz (V) 51/75; 25T SB: AA: M Venter (V) 23/27, R Hunter (V) 22/27; A: M Chuck 22/25, K Williams (L) 23/28; B: P Vit (V) 26/33, M Martin (V) 25/33; C: K Puttlitz (V) 16/25, A Strano (V) 14/26; 75T DB: AA: J Smaniotto (V) 71/76, R Hunter (V) 70/75, M Venter (V) 65/75; A: P Threlfall 72/76, F Scamnello 71/75, M Chuck 68/75; B: P Luppi (V) 67/80, L Barletta 66/80, A Formosa 60/75; C: A Strano (V) 56/75, T Barletta 55/75, K Puttlitz (V) 52/75; 25T SKT Singles: A: P Crapella 20/25; C: G Bugeja (V) 20/25, C De Brueys 15/25; 50T SKT Singles: A: P Crapella 46/50; C: C De Brueys 40/50, A Oosthuizen 37/50, G Bugeja (V) 31/50; 25T SKT Dbls: B: P Crapella 18/26; C: A Oosthuizen 18/26, G Bugeja (V) 14/26.

Ballandean 20/09/2026
Warm, smoky (43): 30T BCTC DB CS: OA: N Smith 79/79; AA: J Lee 50/51, R Ross 41/42; A: P Wright 78/79, J Lawrie 62/63; B: Z Scalia 53/54, L Scalia 38/39; C: G Loudon 28/30, T Hills 28/31; 30T BCTC PS CS: OA: S Tsavasilis 140/141; AA: J Lee 139/141, R Parker 96/99; A: I Toop 94/96, B Hills 88/90; B: S Musumeci 83/90, F Musumeci 82/90; C: G Loudon 76/90, J Taylor 71/90; 30T BCTC SB CS: OA: S Harker 36/37; AA: R Parker 47/49, G Costanzo 46/49; A: Noah Warden 35/37, L Grassick 28/30; B: S Tsavasilis 28/30, B Wehl 30/33; C: T Hills 25/31, N Parker 24/31; 15pr BCTC DR CS: OA: J Lawrie 29/30; AA: G Costanzo 24/30; A: N Smith 27/30, R Waugh 34/40; B: A Wilmot 40/50, F Musumeci 39/50; C: B Hills 28/30, Nick Warden 25/30; OA HG: J Lee 170/180.

Brisbane 26/09/2026
Beautiful (141): 50T SB 50T PS Perazzi Grand Australia: OPEN: G Stevens 190/200; AA: A Incani 227/240, M Paun 225/240, C Brown 225/240; A: G Stevens 190/200, G Graham 218/240, A Herron 217/240; B: E Snelling 170/200, F De Nino 164/200, J King 193/240; C: N Palubiski 178/200, B Cain 174/200, N Guerra 170/200; JNR: Q Blyton 177/200, J Voutounos 147/200, T Patrick 145/200; LAD: R Birgan 186/200, V Moore 176/200, V Burmester 162/200.

Brisbane 23/09/2026
Mild (25): 50 Pr D/R: AA: G Langridge 88/100, G Graham 75/100; A: R Esposito 71/100, W Stinson 70/100; B: S Patrick 68/100, B Jurd 58/100; C: M Voutounos 68/100, J King 65/100.

Brisbane 09/09/2026
Mild (31): 75 T Night Medley: OPEN: L Peoples-Langridge 125/125; AA: G Langridge, S

See Queensland ads p. 85 & p. 86

South Australian Clay Target Association Inc.

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"*Hardwickes 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)

Sponsored by SACTA

Graded High Guns Events 1 – 5
Junior High Gun Sponsored by **Collumbo Shooting**
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.

SACTA appreciates the support of the following sponsors of the State Carnival:

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AFFILIATED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION Inc

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

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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

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COUNTRY HOSPITALITY BUT STILL IN THE METRO AREA

13th to 15th November 2026

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A great weekend of shooting, competition & country hospitality!
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FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER
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HANDICAP
EVENT 5
SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER 8:30AM START
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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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
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2026 GCTC

BALL TRAP TWO DAY CARNIVAL

EVENT CAPPED AT 42 SHOOTERS

GLADSTONE CLAY TARGET CLUB

SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 9AM

Event 1: 25T Double Barrel Ball Trap — $25

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

Event 2: 50T 2026 GCTC Club Championship — $50

Overall - $ & Sash

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

SUNDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 9AM

Event 3: 75T 2026 Commonwealth Ball Trap Championship — $75

Overall - $ & Sash

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

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

Patrick 124/125; A: J Castellino 118/125, G Facer 113/125; B: V Scrooby 109/125, S Cannizzaro 109/125; C: S Leis 113/125, M Rowe 107/125.

Brisbane 05/09/2026
Mild (38): 200T Annual SKT Carnival: AA: D Baird, L Given 192/200; A: K Lange 185/200, J Stevens, P Keller 184/200; B: P Plumridge 180/200, G Huddleston 177/200; C: J Shand 146/200, C Gilder 144/200.

Brisbane 05/09/2026
Fine (12): 100T ISSF Trench: A: L Lisy 75/100, S Grasic 74/100; B: P Govan 65/100, L Love 57/100; C: M Mundell 49/100, G Love 47/100.

Brisbane 04/09/2026
Mild (22): 50T Multi Gauge SKT: AA: N Hughes 47/50, D Cunningham, A Emmett, C O'Neill 46/50; A: S Hook 45/50, J Freeman 44/50; C: D Mabbutt, K Santos 47/50.

Brisbane 26/08/2026
Mild (15): 75 T 25M Night: OPEN: A Incani 70/75; AA: B Jurd 63/75, S Shariati Rd 62/75; A: S Harker 62/75, D Smith 51/75; B: B Buncic 61/75, D Davis 61/75; C: J Taylor 64/75.

Brisbane 23/08/2026
Mild (23): 25 Pr D/D: AA: A Incani 62/70, J Laird 61/70; A: S Harker, J Porter, R Esposito 40/50; B: S Shariati Rad 39/50, S Patrick 31/50; C: G Stevens 41/50, J King 37/50; Congratulations to Alex Incani for winning the John Farrow Memorial Trophy; 25T SB: AA: A Incani 24/25, K Stevens 25/27; A: A Herron 24/25, S Harker 22/25; B: T McKenna, J King 24/32; C: M Cummings 20/25, H Sowry 17/26; 25T PS: AA: K Stevens 75/75, B Cummings 74/75; A: S Harker 73/75, D Smith 71/75; B: J King 64/75, N McKane 63/75; C: M Cummings 64/75, H Sowry 62/75; 25T HC: 1 J King 25/25, 2 M Cummings 24/25, 3 T Patrick 28/30; HG: OPEN: J Laird 158/175; AA: A Incani 158/175, S Shariati Rad 156/175; A: S Harker 158/175, A Harron 144/175; B: J King 144/175, T McKenna 133/175; C: M Cummings 136/175, S Pippos 99/175.

Bundaberg 04/10/2026
Sunny and Light Breeze (23): 25T DB: AA: P Rehbein, S Streeter 25/25; A: T Harker 25/25; B: Connor Large 24/25; C: R Daley 22/25; 25T DB: AA: P Rehbein 25/25; A: C Large 25/25; B: Connor Large 24/25; C: R Daley 24/25; 25T DB PTS: AA: G Wright 73/75; A: P Grove 71/75; B: M Taylor 69/75; C: R Daley 68/75; 25T DB PTS: AA: S Streeter 72/75; A: J Trill 71/75; B: Connor Large 62/75; C: B Dupuy 73/75; HG: OA: P Rehbein 192/200; JNR: Connor Large 176/200; BDG on T's S Streeter 98/100.

Bundaberg 03/10/2026
Sunny and light breeze (8): 25T OG SKT CD: B: G Noffke 24/25; C: Connor Large 21/25; 25T SK HC: 1st T Delley 25/25, 2nd Connor Large 25/25, 3rd W Delley 23/25, all with handicap; 26 SKT DBLS: A: A Spinks 18/26; B: G Noffke 22/26; C: D Large 21/26.

Caboolture 04/10/2026
(28): 30T CD: AA: P Roos, B Sanderson, J Gemmill 30/30; A: G Facer, T Burke, Z Hicks 29/30; B: S Hunt, G McClymont 29/30; 30T PS: AA: B Sanderson 87/90, M Lynch 86/90; A: S Lutter 88/90, G Facer 87/90; B: A Davey 89/90, D Reynolds 83/90; 30T Medley: AA: B Sanderson 48/50, L Sutherland 47/50; A: Z Hicks 49/50, J Moore 48/50; B: T Crandon 47/50, S Cannizzaro 46/50; 30T CONT: AA 1st: J Gemmill 30/31, B Sanderson 29/31; A: P McAndrew 30/31, C Koutsakis 29/31; B: J Kelly 27/31, A Davey 28/33; HG: Open: B Sanderson 193/200; AA: S S.Rad 186/200; A: G Facer 188/200; B: A Davey 182/200.

Caboolture 13/09/2026
(13): 50T CD: AA: T Davenport 47/50, R Ball 46/50; A: S Hook 48/50, M Rhue 46/50; B: P Robinson 48/50, P Stewart, J Stewart 44/50; C: D Gibson, J Shand 40/50; 50T CS: AA: T Davenport 47/50, R Ball 46/50; A: S Hook 49/50, A Fraser 47/50; B: P Robinson 42/50, J Stewart 41/50; C: J Shand 41/50, D Gibson 38/50; 50T SKT Dbles: A: R Ball 46/50, T Davenport 44/50; B: C Pedler 45/50, S Hook 45/50; C: J Stewart 41/50, P Robinson 37/50, A Davey 37/50; HG: Open: S Hook 142/150; AA: T Davenport 138/150, R Ball 138/150; A: C Pedler 135/150, A Fraser 134/150; B: P Robinson 127/150, P Stewart 126/150, J Stewart 126/150; C: D Gibson 114/150, J Shand 113/150.

Gold Coast 13/09/2026
Windy (33): 50T Medley DB/PS: AA: Alex Incani 118/120, S Rad 117/120; A: A Herron 99/100, T McKenna 116/120; B: V Vaina 92/100, G Smith 91/100; C: M Morelli 86/100, Anthony Incani 79/100; Vince Vaina Supershooter Ch/Ch 18m: OA: Alex Incani 124/125; AA: K Stevens 122/125, J Hitchins 117/125; A: J Gelkov 112/125, P Strange 111/125; B: G Smith 109/125, G Hayne 106/125; C: J Tait 99/125, M Morelli 98/125; HG: OA: Alex Incani 222/225; AA: K Stevens 216/225; A: P Strange 208/225; B: G Smith 200/225; C: M Morelli 184/225; JNR: T Patrick 188/225.

Gold Coast 07/10/2026
(13): 50T Night DB: AA: S Rad 48/50, S Weeden 48/50; A: N Beck 43/50; B: D Cokley 44/50, K Page 42/50, A Struhs 42/50; C: D Thornton 37/50; 25T Night Novelty: AA: S Rad 25/25, S Weeden 21/25; A: N Beck 22/25; B: S Struhs 24/25, D Smith 23/25; C: D Thornton 17/25.

Port Denison 27/09/2026
Sunny with Blowin' Bowen winds (44): 25T PS from 18m: AA: S Steele 70/75, A: D Stitt 72/75; B: J Dunn 72/81; C: B Heffernan 67/75; 75T Ch/Ch shot from 18m: AA: P Scalia 118/125, G Maltby 117/125; A: G McHenry 117/125, D Stitt 109/125; B: K Scott 106/125, J Kinnonmonth 105/125; C: B Paton 94/125, B Heffernan 87/125.

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Majura Park 07/10/2026
Very cool dry (19): 40T PS CS: OPEN: /78 D Power 120/120; AA: D Brighenti 119/120; A: J Agnew 114/120; B: K Willetts 113/120; C: N Naoumidis 103/120. 50T Ball Trap: OPEN: M Harris 44/50, OPEN: D Power 44/50; A: M Harris 44/50; B: C Goodwin 43/50; C: K Willetts 28/50.

Majura Park 30/09/2026
Dark but calm (19): 25 Pair D/R CS: OPEN: D Power 49/50; AA: A Brown 46/50; A: D Jarvis 48/50; B: K Cox 42/50; C: D Churchill 34/50; 20 Pair Deauville Doubles: 1st D Jarvis 44/44 20 / 20, 1st J O'Brien 44/44 20 / 20, 2nd M Skinner 43/44 20/20, 2nd A Jarvis 43/44 20/20.

Majura Park 23/09/2026
Sunny, light breeze (16): 50T HC: Masters Rd 9 Championship: OPEN: 1st A Jarvis 50/50, OPEN: 2nd J O'Brien 82/83, OPEN: 3rd C Goodwin 81/83.

TCTA

Spring Bay 12/09/2026
Beautiful day (22): 20T CD: AA: S Bennett 19/20; A: A Creed 20/20, D Holmes 20/20; B: P Matters 20/20; C: A Sculthorpe 19/20; 50T DB CS: AA: S Bennett 47/50; A & OA: A Page 48/51; B: P Matters 46/53; C: C Watts 46/50; 30T PS: AA: S Bennett 86/90; A: A Page 85/90; B: P Matters 83/90; C: C Watts 74/90.

See Tasmanian ads p. 88 & p. 89

VCTA

Ararat 03/10/2026
Cool and wet (35): 10T PS E/O CD: T Perry 30/30, A Clark 30/30, R Hague 29/30, L Hendy 29/30, A Mulraney 29/30, J Nixon 29/30, T Gull 29/30, L Ralph 29/30; 75T MXD (25 PS, 25 SB, 25 DB): AA: A Mulraney 121/125, S Ringin 118/125, L Ralph 116/125; A: G Powell 117/125, R Jorgensen 112/125, W Carroll 104/125; B: B Dean 112/125, J Pappaluca 104/125, G Burgess 103/125; C: D Long 102/125, M Borecki 145/175, C Hendy 143/175. OA: A Mulraney 121/125; HG: OA: A Mulraney 150/155; JNR: L Nixon 119/155; LAD: W

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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

Mersey Clay Target Club - TAS
Annual 3 Day Memorial Shoot

Saturday 16th to Monday 18th of January 2027

Saturday 16th January 2027
Event 1 50T Mersey Points Score Championship $30 J - $20
Sponsored by **Miles Contracting Service - Kalgoorlie WA**

Event 2 50T Double Barrel Jack Cunningham Memorial Championship $30 J - $20
Sponsored by **RFW Contracting PTY LTD - Kalgoorlie WA**

Sunday 17th January 2027
Event 3 45T Champions Medley (Shot from 18m) $27 J - $18
Sponsored by **GR & AM Whiteley**

Event 4 50T Double Barrel Denis Whiteley Memorial Championship $30 J - $20
Sponsored by **RFW Contracting Pty Ltd - Kalgoorlie WA**

Overall High Gun for Saturday and Sunday - Sash & Portable Fridge (Waeco or similar)
sponsored by the **Johnson, Chapman & Whiteley Families**
Grade and Category High Guns - Sash & Cash
sponsored by **Miles Contracting Service - Kalgoorlie WA**
Junior Encouragement Awards sponsored by **Robbie Elmer**

Monday 18th January 2027
Event 5 25T Handicap Carnival $15 J - $10
Sponsored by **T & F Atkins**

Event 6 25 Pair Double Rise Eye-Opener $30 J - $20
Sponsored by **RA Mechanical & Transport**

Event 7 50 Pair Double Rise Championship $60 J - $40
Sponsored by **M & S Johnston and P & S Jones**

Practise available throughout the event

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Nominations taken at the club only

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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

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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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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

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SUNDAY 1st November 2026 11.00am Start

VIC DTL STATE TITLES WARM UP

Event 1: 25 Target Double Barrel – $20
Cash AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd

Event 2: 25 Target Single Barrel – $20
Cash AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd

Event 3: 25 Target Handicap – $20
Cash 1st, 2nd & 3rd

Event 4: 20 Pair Double Rise – $32
Cash AA, A, B, C – 1st & 2nd

Shoot all 4 events for $90 total nominations.
Graded High Gun Sashes over events 1-4, AA,A,B & C

SKEET 10.30am Start

Event 5: 100 Target Skeet Handicap $80
1st , 2nd & 3rd

To guarantee Skeet competition goes ahead, please consider pre-nominating for this event by Friday 30th October. We would like a minimum of 2 squads for this competition.

SUNDAY 15th November 2026

No competition due to VIC DTL State Titles
Club open for practice, 10am until 5pm

SUNDAY 29th November 2026 10.00am Start

Christmas Shoot and last competition for 2026!

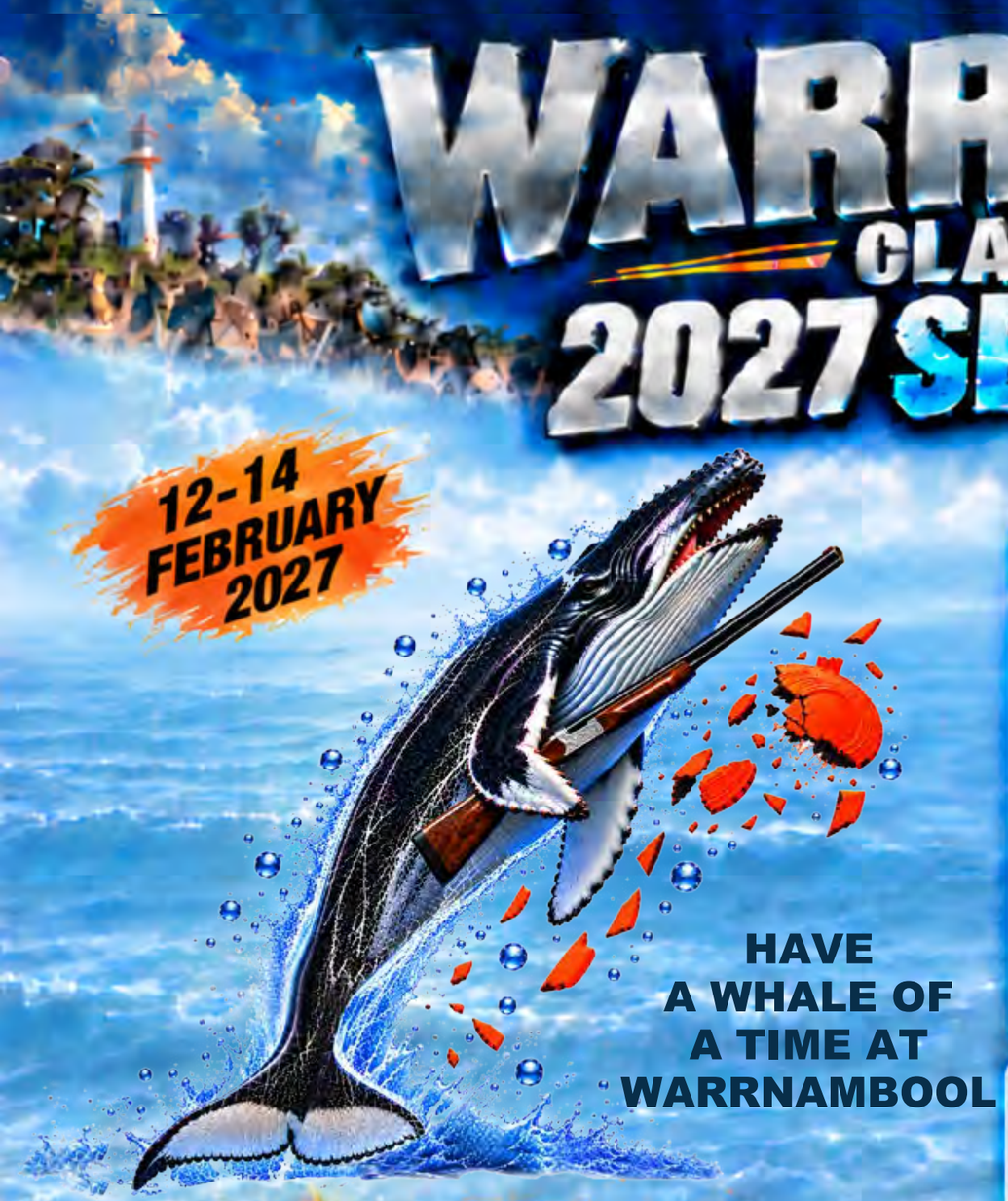
Event 1: 20 Target Double Barrel – $18
Event 2: 20 Target Points Score – $18
Event 3: 20 Target Single Barrel – $18
Event 4: 25 Target Skeet – $20
Event 5: 25 Target ISSF Trap – $20

Shoot all 5 events for $90 reduced nominations.
Please see social media and website for further details.
A great family day out with plenty of Christmas cheer and first opportunity to secure a ham!

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

WARRNAMBOOL
CLAY TARGET CLUB
2027 SEASIDE CARNIVAL

12-14 FEBRUARY 2027



HAVE A WHALE OF A TIME AT WARRNAMBOOL

White Flyer targets used - supplied by Winchester Australia

FRIDAY 12TH
12pm start

EVENT 1
30 Tgt Points Score Championship
Noms $30.00

EVENT 2
45 Tgt South West Zone Medley
Noms $50.00

SATURDAY 13TH
9.30am start

EVENT 3
30 Tgt Points Score Championship
Noms $30.00

EVENT 4
30 Tgt Single Barrel Championship
Noms $30.00

EVENT 5
30 Tgt Seaside Classic Double Barrel Championship
Noms $35.00

O/All $800 + 500 shotshells
1st all grades $400 + 250 shotshells
2nd all grades $200 + 125 shotshells
3rd all grades $100 + 125 shotshells

SUNDAY 14TH
9.30am start

EVENT 6
25 Tgt Seaside Classic Handicap
Noms $30.00

Sponsored by Beretta Australia

1st 1500 Trust Shotshells + $600
2nd 1500 Trust Shotshells + $500
3rd 1000 Trust Shotshells + $400
4th 750 Trust Shotshells + $200
5th 500 Trust Shotshells + $100
B/Marker – 25mt $200

EVENT 7
45 Tgt Medley Championship
Noms $45.00

CARNIVAL HIGH GUNS • Events 3 to 7 • O/A, AA, A, B, C, L, V
Richardson Marine & Sinclair & Wilson Accounts

Collumbo Shooting Junior High Gun • Trish Schiller Junior Encouragement Award

Sashes for all events O/ All and Grade winners plus High Gun winners.

REVERSE DRAW
Sponsored by Winchester Australia

1st • BROWNING 525
30" 12ga Trap Gun • Value $2,800

2nd • RANGER .22 LR RIFLE • Value $1000

3rd • 500 WINCHESTER SHOTSHELLS • Value $280

All winners from the 7 Carnival events: O/All, AA, A, B, C, Ladies, Juniors & Veterans. Last name drawn wins 1st, 2nd last wins 2nd. 3rd last wins 3rd. Draw immediately after High Gun Presentation. Following the Reverse Draw Competitors Lucky Door Prizes 750 shotshells.

Conditions apply – winning competitors must attend both draws to collect prizes.

OVER $28,000
Cash • Firearms • Shotshells • Medals • Sashes

TOTAL NOMINATIONS $250.00 • FIELD LIMITED TO 220
Pre Nominations available through MCMS. Nominations also accepted each day at the office.
Practice from 9.30am Friday • 6 layouts in use, Canterbury and Materalli traps
On-ground camping – bookings essential: Mal Dyson 0407 802 107
Saturday Night 2 Course Meal & Calcutta • $25.00 per person
CLUB CONTACTS: Mal Dyson 0407 802 107 • Wayne Jenkins 0408 529 102

Committee reserves the right to alter the program if necessary

WARRNAMBOOL CLAY TARGET CLUB RECOGNISES AND THANKS OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS

Turlands Plumbing, Lindsey Cottee's Tyres, Caesar Guerini – Steve Haberman, Carters Transport, Warrnambool Toyota, Woods Motor Cycles, W & M Jenkins, Holts Gun Shop, South West Advanced Trees, J & A Shooting – Bill Jorgensen, Beretta Australia, Richardson Marine, Sinclair & Wilson Accounts, Collumbo Shooting, Trish Schiller, Winchester Australia

MARYBOROUGH GUN CLUB

THIRD

Craig Jennings

Memorial Cup





31st October 2026

10 am start

100 Tgt ACTA Compak

Overall plus graded AA, A, B, C

1st and 2nd each grade –

Ladies, Junior, Veteran & Masters

(not eligible if already a grade winner)

Overall and Grade Sashes sponsored by the **Maryborough Highland Society**

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE (250 SHOTSHELLS)

Donated by the Jennings Family

Ground located Bucknall Street, Carisbrook

Further info contact –

Garry Cassells Ph: 0418 501 339 or Nathan Cassells Ph: 0499 154 782

2027 VICTORIAN STATE SKEET CARNIVAL

21st January to 24th January 2027

Hosted by Melbourne Gun Club

192 Victoria Road, Yering

Ph: 03 9739 1771 E: info@melbournegunclub.com W: www.melbournegunclub.com

Event restricted to 20 Squads.

6 Person Squads will only be used once 20 squads of 5 shooters have been filled
Pre-nominations to be received no later than **FRIDAY 15TH JANUARY 2027.**
Squad information will be available on MyClubsMyScores by **TUESDAY 19th JANUARY 2027**.
Start Time: **9:00 AM** Each Day and Competition will be run over 5 Grounds.
Practise available on Wednesday 22nd January 10am to 6pm.
Shooters who do not pre-nominate may nominate prior to 10 AM on the day for an additional $10 per event if positions available.
Nominations will be refunded to any shooter unable to attend so long as notice is provided **PRIOR** to the commencement of the Carnival minus a $5 per event booking fee.

THURSDAY 21st of JANUARY – 9:00AM START

Event 1. **50 Target Vic State Skeet 28g Championship** Open $50 LV $45 Jnr $25
OA, AA.A.B.C 1st & 2nd – Ldy, Jnr Vet

Event 2. **50 Target Vic State Skeet 410 Bore Championship** Open $50 LV $45 Jnr $25
OA, AA.A.B.C 1st & 2nd – Ldy, Jnr Vet

FRIDAY 22nd of JANUARY – 9:00AM START

Event 3. **50 Target Vic State Skeet 20g Championship** Open $50 LV $45 Jnr $25
OA, AA.A.B.C 1st & 2nd – Ldy, Jnr Vet

Event 4. **50 Target Vic State Skeet Handicap** Open $50 LV $45 Jnr $25
1.2.3.4.5 – Ldy, Jnr Vet

SATURDAY 23rd of JANUARY – 9:00AM START

Event 5. **100 Target Vic State Skeet 12g Championship** Open $90 LV $80 Jnr $45
OA, AA.A.B.C 1st & 2nd – Ldy, Jnr Vet
STATE POSTAL TEAMS MATCH (Shooters to qualify)

SUNDAY 24th of JANUARY – 9:00AM START

Event 6. **50 Target Vic State Skeet Champion of Champions** Open $50 LV $45 Jnr $25
OA, AA.A.B.C 1st & 2nd – Ldy, Jnr Vet

Event 7. **50 Target Vic State Skeet Doubles Championship** Open $50 LV $45 Jnr $25
OA, AA.A.B.C 1st & 2nd – Ldy, Jnr Vet

HIGH GUNS OVER EVENTS 3-7

OA, AA.A.B.C.LDY.JNR.VET

ALL PRE NOMS TO BE DONE VIA MY CLUB MY SCORES APP

For additional information and Conditions of Entry, please visit www.melbournegunclub.com

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

SUNDAY 1ST
Cosgrove 11.00am
30 tgt M/T C/ship
10 DB, SB, PS
AA, A, B, C 1-2
25 tgt H/cap 1-3 BM
50 tgt D/B C/ship
AA, A, B, C 1-2
OA High Gun

TUESDAY 3RD
Numurkah Shepparton 10:00am
Melbourn Cup Day
100 tgt P/S C/ship
Shot as 2 x 50 tgt C/ships
Overall, Ladies, Veterans, Junior High Guns based on 100 targets

SATURDAY 7TH
Bendigo 10.00am
100 tgt ACTA Compak Sporting C/ship

SUNDAY 8TH
Euroa 10:30am
20 tgt D/B Side x Side Trophy
1-2 AA, A, B, C
90 tgt Gr Medley C/ship
1-2 AA, A, B, C
If total fire ban, shooting cancelled

SUNDAY 15TH
Kyneton 11.00am
50 tgt D/B Gr C/ship
50 tgt P/S Gr C/ship

Mansfield 10.30am
50 tgt D/B C/ship
50 tgt H/cap, OA High Gun

SATURDAY 21ST
Bendigo 10:00am
30 tgt D/B C/ship
50 tgt S/B Tony Moroni Memorial C/ship

Mathoura 7:00pm
20 tgt NEZ Night D/B C/ship
OA 3 gr
25 tgt NEZ Night P/S C/ship OA 3gr
50 tgt State Night S/B C/ship OA 4 gr

Wangaratta 10:30am
50 tgt Cont
25 tgt D/B
25 tg S/B

SUNDAY 22ND
Colbinabbin 11:00am
20 tgt S/B C/ship
20 tgt D/B C/ship
20 tgt H/cap
20 Pr D/R

MCMS NOMS OPEN 1st November
~ Limited to 60 Shooters ~
WANGARATTA CLAY TARGET CLUB
SUNDAY 29TH NOVEMBER - START 10AM
100 Tgts NEZ ACTA COMPAK Championships
Noms open 9.30am
Open $60 - Vet/Ladies $55 - Juniors FREE
OPEN, VET, LADIES, JNR HIGH GUNS
Please note - Shooters must be Full ACTA or ACTA (COMPAK) members.
Registration forms will be available at the Office on the day.
$2,500 in CASH or PRIZES
Every Wednesday COMPAK Practice Ground 3 from 12.30 til 6.00pm
Assistance in set-up &/or pack-up gratefully appreciated
Canteen operating - EFTPOS available
ENQUIRIES - 0427 621 195

Carroll 122/155; VET: G Burgess 131/155.

Bendigo 03/10/2026

Overcast, with brief rain storm (54): 100T ACTA Compak Sporting: OA: 94/100 M Easton; AA: 93/100 R Keirl, 91/100 F Cefai; A: 91/100 G Attwood, 90/100 B Hipwell; B: 96/114 C Morris, 95/114 P Keirl; C: 66/100 T Sarris, 65/100 S Bailey; JNR: 87/100 M Keirl; LAD: 87/100 A Attwood; VET: 85/100 T Connell.

Bendigo 19/09/2026

(23): 50T DB: Alan Mason Memorial CS: OA & A: C Burns 97/97, J Murphy 73/76; AA: L Watts 96/97, J Rees 73/74; B: G Murphy 48/50, C Heley 57/61; C: S Heley 42/50, G Morris 40/50; 25T HC: 1st: C Burns 35/35, 2nd J Murphy 34/35, 3rd R Stewart 27/28, 4th S Ringin 28/29; 25T PS CS: OA & AA: L Watts 97/99, K Gillespie 108/111; A: C Burns 85/90, S Anstee 71/75; B: C Heley 72/75, C Morris 68/75; C: J Whyte 63/75, S Heley 61/75; OA HG: C Burns 148/150.

Colbinabbin 27/09/2026

Mild, clear, maximum temp 20C. (38): 10T PS E/O: AA: 30/30 S Traill, C Burns, L Fitzgerald, A Brady; A: 30/30 B Pump, 29/30 L Tonks, J Brady, D Milojevic; B: 29/30 M Redgrove, 27/30 L Mullane; C: 29/30 N Repacholi, 25/30 W West; 25T DB CS: OA & AA: A Brady 45/45; AA: S Traill 44/45; A: G Carroll 33/44, S Anstee 32/34; B: L Mullane 23/26, T Bradshaw 22/26; C: R McCubbin 24/25, N Repacholi 22/25; 20 Pr D/R CS: OA & A: L Fitzgerald 45/50; AA: P Attard 35/40, J Rees 50/60; A: L Fitzgerald 45/50, B Pump 31/40, S Traill 31/40, S Mackenzie 31/40; B: C Birns 43/50, A Repacholi 31/40; C: G Carroll 32/40, A Kidd 31/40; 20 Pr D/D CS: 1st: J Brady & A Brady 47/47, 2nd: S MacKenzie & T Williams 46/47.

Euroa 13/09/2026

Perfect (41): 25T DB CS: AA & OA: D Hunt 46/46, T Pigram 45/46; A: S Murphy 38/39, S Kirley 26/27; B: O Spencer 36/37, G Pegg 25/26; C: P McNair 23/26, T McGrath 22/26; 25T DB CS: AA & OA: D Hunt 62/62, T Williams 61/62; A: S Kirley 41/42, D Clark 33/34; B: L Tonks 24/25, O Spencer 23/24; C: T McGrath 24/25, M Baczyk 23/24; 25T HC: 1st T Williams 24/25, 2nd D Chinn 38/40, 3rd O Spencer 37/40; BM: D Hunt 24/27.

Yarrawonga

Fine (22): 30T HC: 1st D Oliver 30/30, 2nd P Antonello 32/33, 3rd P Matthews 31/33; 50T CONT: AA: P Matthews 49/50, D Saunders 45/50; A: C Lewis 47/50, D Pearce 46/50; B: G Ganning 41/50, B Hennessy 39/50; C: I Thorpe 39/50, R Ellis 37/50.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE

2027 ACTA National Skeet Championships

7–13 March 2027

ACTA National Ground, Wagga Wagga, NSW

2027 National Trap Championships

15–21 March 2027

ACTA National Ground, Wagga Wagga, NSW



Roamin' Around

WA Wheat, Crayfish and an Overseas Soujourn . . . What more could you want?
In this musing, we travel to Brno (Czech Republic), Wagin, Geraldton, Changwon (Korea) and of course to Kalgoorlie (in separate article). Man, are there some miles racked up in this issue.

The first journey that we take is to the European continent with Nige Young (our Para Trap representative) to Brno, Czech Republic for the Sellier and Bellott WSPS Grand Prix as a lead up to the Changwon WSPS World Championship. As a solo, Nige went to Brno from 4–8 August 2026 and even though the layouts plus weather conditions ideal, Nige was overtaken with the travelling. He competed against 18 other para trap (ISSF) and shot an 83/125 to finish in 13th position. As said, this was his dry run for Changwon WSPS World Championships (Para) in October.

Well, we've left Europe and the Metro area, taking a shorter trip into the WA countryside. This time only 3.5 hours down to Wagin in the lower south east of the State, home of the famous "Woolarama" and the Wagin Gun Club "Saltbush" Carnival. Currently Wagin is feeling the lack of rain, so obviously for the days of shooting at the Carnival, all the attendees were rewarded with clear skies and days but very cold mornings.

Wagin GC shifted their Carnival for 2026 to the 28th–30th August, citing that it was a better time and weather for shooting. Many adapted to the change with good support from the neighbouring Clubs in attendance. As with all other shoots to date, there were caravans present from across the State with their owners settled into their travelling community and catching up on all the gossip that has been happening since they last saw them.



Geraldton Crayfish Carnival early nom winner K Olivieri

There were a number of event winners over the "Saltbush" Carnival – namely Josh Fleay (2), Royce Normington (2), Clinton Parker and Charley Waldburger. Julie Santostefano took out the Ladies High Gun and Neil Suckling the Veterans with Royce Normington the Carnival High Gun.

So, everyone left the south east of Wagin and progressed 8 hours north to the famed home of "The Shoot" – Geraldton Clay Target Club and its annual "Crayfish" Carnival.

With the expanded clubrooms and 8 layouts, there was plenty of room to support the 164 members in attendance plus partners. As in previous years, people flocked from all over Australia to be at this great shoot which had been moved a week earlier (11th–13th September) to support Kalgoorlie with the State DTL Titles. 2027 will see it back at it normal calendar spot of 1 week prior to the State DTL Titles. Geraldton works hard at keeping



30 target Points Score winners, Glen Castellaro Overall (centre front)

the Carnival going with plenty of sponsors and entertainment throughout the days and nights including the rowdy "Calcutta Night". The carpark was full and overflowing plus the additional area for caravans was the same. It was a case of get in early to get a spot.

Friday and event 1 (30 target P/S) started with Glen Castellaro 135/135 (Griffith) taking out O/A after a fourway shoot-off from B. Heaslip 134/135 (Canowindra), C. Waldburger 108/111 and D. Smith 105/108 (both WAGC) who secured AA Grade positions. J. Gilbert (Denmark) secured A Grade from J. Marsden (Three Springs) and N. Iaria (Geraldton) with J. Noble (Three Springs) taking 1st in B from T. Fulwood (Northam) and W. Pickersgill (Esperance). New kid on the block from Newman, D. Davies, won his C Grade (his 1st in such esteem company) from M. Lamont (EGCTC) and Polly Scott (Collie). Junior was C. Storer, Ladies J. Santostefano (both WAGC) then a 3-way split for Veteran between B. Walshaw (Geraldton), B. Pay (Bendigo) and



50 target Double Barrel winners, Alexander Bourke Overall (centre front)

A. Jones (Cessnock). The warm-up event had 147 participating.

Event 2, 50 target DB Championship and 145 members shooting. NSWGC member Alexander Bourke shot a 283/283 to win Overall. For this event, another shoot-off, but it was a seven way with the results of AA Grade R. Normington (EGCTC) 1st from G. Castellaro and J. Baker (Narrogin) for 2nd and 3rd. The other 2 took A Grade, being M. Pederick (Geraldton), was successful over G. Paddison (Parkes) and J. Gilbert (Denmark). It seemed that the top weren't the only ones for shoot-offs as B Grade had a shoot-off involved with the one B Grader on a 50/50. V. Turner (Peel) took 1st from W. Pickersgill, 2nd from G. Pickersgill (WAGC) 3rd. C Graders also indulged in a shoot-off rewarding R. Roney (Boyup Brook) the Grade from Anna Passmore (CDSSA), and R. Priolo (WAGC) occupying 3rd place. Once again C. Storer took out Junior, J. Santostefano the Ladies and A. Jones the Veterans.

50 target Points Score, Event 3, came next for the day with 161 members vying for the privilege of Overall. However CDSSA local Amaro Da Luz took the honour a perfect 156/156 after a five-man shoot-off. The other 160 members were left to fight it out for the Grades and AA Grade was won by R. Normington from S. Gee (Peel) then D. Weal (Orange). Shoot-off for 1st, 2nd and 3rd A Grade went to T. Blakeney (Geraldton), A. Levy (Boyup Brook) and Leanne Knight (WAGC). Honours in the B Grade went to W. Walsh (Esperance) over A. Noble and A. Mitchell (Peel), but in C Grade D. Davies picked up his 2nd Grade 1st from with A. Passmore (CDSSA) victorious from V. Wilson (Esperance). C. Storer was again the Junior but this time Jane Toynton (Cessnock) wore the Ladies and B. Pay the Veterans.

Returning "The Shoot" visitor, Ross Cummings (NSWGC), used all his skills to win Event 4, 30 target SB, with the only 30/30 perfect score from the 161 shooters that participated. J. Fleay (Busselton) had to fight hard for AA Grade from A. Ford (Cressy) and D. Smith, as was the same for the A Graders via shoot-offs. R. Chambers (Esperance) 1st, J. Marsden 2nd to S. Tizzone (Denmark) 3rd. K. Passmore



Single Barrel Wooden Spooner
B Walshaw



50 target Points Score winners, Amaro Da Luz Overall (centre front)



30 target Single Barrel winners, Ross Cummins Overall (centre front)

(CDSSA) defeated P. Clifford (Busselton) and C. Neale (WAGC) to claim B Grade. As it was, veteran R. Priolo won from D. Davies and L. Hatch (Geraldton) to secure C Grade. Two way tie for the Ladies between Jodie Dunn (Orange) and J. Toynton with C. Storer the Junior plus a 3 way tie of T. Blakeney, A. Jones and G. Castellaro for Veterans.

Event 5, the 50 target DB, finished the day with 162 shooters participating. By this time, members were looking forward to the evening's festivities of and pulling out their money for cold beers plus other requirements. But as it is with anything good, you must complete the task before getting to the finish line. Alexander Bourke (NSWGC) once again showed his "mastery" with a 137/137 over six others to take out the event. He shot off with G. Castellaro, J. Pirrottina (Geraldton), D. Smith (all



50 target Double Barrel winners, Alexander Bourke Overall (centre front)

AA Graders) and S. Tomlinson (Parkes), J. Gilbert and A. Chambers (Esperance), who all subsequently took 1st, 2nd and 3rd in A Grade. G. Boyes (WAGC) won B Grade with shoot-offs between P. Baker (Narrogin) and K. Passmore fighting it for the final positions. Deja Vue for C Grade with M. Hatch clearly winning C Grade from D. Davies and M Lamont for the minor C Grade positions. G .Smith (WAGC) won Veterans, C. Storer the Junior but once again a two way ties for the Ladies with J. Toynton and L. Knight (WAGC) taking the accolades.



Laurie Oliveri, Life Member recipient

Over the "Crayfish" Carnival, Laurie Oliveri, a long-standing club member, was presented with his "Life Membership Award". Laurie has, over the years, done so much for the Club and it was great to see him recognised for the work plus achievements that he has willingly volunteered for the Club to succeed and be what it is today. A very deserving gentleman and congratulations Laurie.

Well that ended the day's activities and all were looking forwards to the night's activities and the relaxation that comes after a hard day before starting again early on Sunday morning.

Somehow, as Day 3 dawned, it seemed that the last evenings activities were showing and Sunday came around too soon. Event 6, the 45 target Medley was the "warm up" for the day and only 162 members willingly participate. Josh Fleay (Busselton) won the event with an 81/81 after a shoot-off with P. Luis (CDSSA) who took 1st AA Grade. Placings in AA Grade went to G. Castellaro and C .Browne (Wagin) with A Grade went to W. Brown (Nickol Bay), V. Oliveri (Geraldton) and J. Santostefano. This was followed up by D. Neale (Esperance), W. Pickersgill and P. Clifford (Busselton) taking the places in B Grade, whilst D. Davies won C Grade from J. Sharpe (Denmark) and M. Lamont. This time mother and daughter (Leanne Knight and Chelsea Storer) secured the Ladies and Junior wins with B. Pay taking out Veterans.

Event 7, 25 target ACTA Handicap, got Phillip House 49/48 (A19) (Busselton) the title from K. Passmore 48/49, A. Lemmon 47/48, M. Mouchmore 40/41 (both Geraldton), J. McCarthy 37/38 (Northam) and D. Eiffler 36/37 (WAGC) in 6th place. All shot 25/25 before going into the shoot-offs. They were the victors of the field of 164 members. This was preparation for the next event.



Life Members Club

Last event of the day was Event 8 was the famed 30 target DB Graded Calcutta (everybody's favourite especially the punters) with 163 members present. New boy and C Grader, Dave Davies (Newman)



45 target Medley winners, Josh Fleay Overall (centre front)



Handicap winners, P House Ist (centre front)



Handicap Wooden Spooner
K Passmore

who had quietly been achieving goals all weekend, outclassed all others by winning Overall with a 45/45. 2nd was C .Hawke (Parkes), 3rd to W. Pickersgill, 4th T. Blakeney, 5th I. Morris (Geraldton), 6th D. Smith and 7th C. Browne, 8th D. Weal, 9th Anna Passmore and 10th went to N. Blake (Denmark).

The final of the presentation for the 2026 "Crayfish" Carnival was the High Guns. It was anyone's guess as there were multiple winners over all the events, but in the end Royce Normington came out on top and won the Carnival Overall High Gun, with mother and daughter taking the Ladies and Junior Leanne Knight and Chelsea Storer, and Bernard Pay taking the Veterans. Grades went to Stephen Gee (AA), Murray Pederick (A), A Mitchell (B) and D Davies (C).



Calcutta – big money winners,



Veteran High Gun Bernard Pay



Ladies High Gun Leanne Knight



Overall High Gun Royce Normington being congratulated by Kevin Jones, Best Ballistic Equipment and Sports Technology

Thank you to all of the sponsors who made the Carnival a worthwhile event, the volunteers that cover every aspect of the Carnival operations and congratulations to all the members who participated. Pencil into your 2027 calendar the Geraldton "Crayfish", booking your accommodation (whether hotel or caravan) and flights. Thank you to every person who travelled for the Carnival from across WA and Australia. See you next year at Geraldton.

So now, after going north within WA, we head to Changwon, Korea (7th–16th September) whereby Nige Young (WA Representative) attended the WSPS World Championship in the PT1: Seated SGS Shotgun section. Where the pistol and rifle are incorporated into the Paralympics, the shotgun hasn't been sanctioned and hence these are considered similar to Grand Prix's for shotgun athletes.



Grade & Junior High Guns



Nige Young & friends

Nige attended under the Shooting Australia banner along with pistol and rifle athletes. He truly appreciated the grounds which were in excellent condition, but said that the bright white of the layouts against the green background made it hard for choice of lenses. He got into the Final in 7th place with a 93/125 then shot a 4/8 to take out 8th place. For him, it was an amazing experience being part of the Australian Representative Team to Changwon, Korea. Well done Nige on your efforts and keep the Para going. Best wishes for November and the competition at Melbourne Gun Club.

The next issue should have what went on down southeast at the coastal Club of Hopetoun and their 2.5 day "Qualup Bell" DTL Carnival held 9th–11th October 2026. A few of those who attended the State DTL Carnival at Kalgoorlie are making the caravanning experience to Hopetoun, so they can expect good numbers to attend.

The news and results of 2026 State Skeet being held at WA Gun Club, Whiteman Park (16th–18th October 2026) whereby the selection of the State Teams will be done plus the induction of Matt De Paoli into the WACTA Hall of Fame. Also hopefully, the issue will contain news from Greg Schweikert and Matt De Paoli, ACTA Australian Skeet Team members, from their attendance at the US Skeet World Championships.

Potentially results of the State ISSF Titles at WA Gun Club, Whiteman Park (24th and 25th October 2026). I will also include the final of the State selection series for the WA State ISSF Teams.

Carrying on the support of females into the sport, Collie Clay Target Club will have hosted their Ladies "Come and Try" initiative, if possible, there will also be news about how it all went. The good part is that Collie has scheduled a similar event in the 2027 shooting calendar already.



Nige Young, 8th place

News is that Geraldton has already entered their 2026 ACTA Ladies Taipan Shield Team for completion on 4th October, so come on Ladies, get with the program and register your teams to shoot between October to December. Don't forget, WACTA is running a separate intrastate (within WA) competition with presentations the 2027 WACTA Ladies Day earmarked for 19th June 2027 at WAGC. Let's make it happen ladies.

So, as you can see, there is a lot happening around the State that will be put together in the December issue, to keep members informed of what has been and what is due to come. The 2027 State Program Booklet will be distributed to Clubs at the "Silver Dolphin" as in previous years, so make sure that you have a club member there to collect them. Apart from that, the Ladies Taipan Shield, there are two major shoots left of the 2026 calendar, being the "Silver Dolphin" DTL Carnival at Peel (13th–15th November) and Augusta's "Hillview Challenge" Field Shoot (5th–6th December). Of course, in December there will be all the Christmas and closing shoots identified for the WA Clubs in the Program Booklet.

Good luck and good shooting around the traps plus enjoy the people you meet and shoot with.



Changwon WSPS Grounds

Five Events at Burdekin in September

Burdekin Clay Target Club welcomed 39 shooters for its monthly shoot on Sunday, September 13, with competitors enjoying near-perfect conditions. The sun was shining and a slight breeze provided some welcome relief throughout a program of five events.

The club thanked the day's sponsors, Suds Automotive and Home Hill Engineering, for their valued support, together with Lui Populin, who generously donated the meat trays for the raffle.

Event 1 – 20 target Double Barrel Continental
The program opened with the 20 Target Double Barrel Continental from 15 metres, with several grades producing tied results. In AA Grade, Aaron Lemphers and Michael Zabala shared first place after both returned perfect 20/20 scores, while Lindsay Groat was third with 19/20.

A Grade also finished with joint winners as Joe (Jnr) Sebastiani and David Stitt each recorded 19/20. In B Grade, Glenn Clarke took first place with 19/20, while Alexander Parker, John Kinnomonth and Giovanni Celona shared second after each finished on 18/20. C Grade saw Murray Gavan and Brett Paton share first place with 18/20, followed by Blake Heffernan in third on 17/20.

Event 2 – 20 target Single Barrel Club Trophy
The 20 Target Single Barrel Club Trophy produced shoot-offs in three of the four grades. Marius Venter secured AA Grade with 23/24, while Glen Rea took A Grade with an unbeaten 23/23.

B Grade went outright to Giovanni Celona with 16/20, while Allan Parker prevailed in C Grade with 17/24.



Points Score Club Trophy, sponsored by Suds Automotive
Sponsor Klyde Turner, Tony Caruso, David Stitt, Toni Scott, Blake Heffernan, sponsor Ashton Turner & her 3 beautiful children



Mixed Target Championship, sponsored by Home Hill
Blake Heffernan, Alexander Parker, Wayne Cislowski, Aaron Lemphers

Event 3 – 20 target Points Score Club Trophy
Sponsored by Suds Automotive, the 20 Target Pointscore Club Trophy saw some excellent scores recorded across the grades. Tony Caruso emerged with the AA Grade honours following a shoot-off, finishing on 87/93.

In A Grade, David Stitt produced the standout performance with a perfect 60/60 to claim the trophy outright. Toni Scott was the B Grade winner with a strong 57/60, while Blake Heffernan added the C Grade victory with 52/60.

Event 4 – 25 target Double Barrel Handicap
The 25 Target Double Barrel Handicap required an extended shoot-off to determine the Open placings. Wayne Cislowski eventually secured first place with 36/39, narrowly ahead of Aaron Lemphers, who finished second on 35/39.

Michael Zabala claimed third place following a further shoot-off, eventually finishing with 38/41.

Event 5 – 25 target Mixed Target Championship

The final event of the program was the 25 Target Mixed Target Championship from 15 metres, sponsored by Home Hill Engineering, and Aaron Lemphers completed a successful day by taking the Open Championship with 34/35. Lemphers also secured AA Grade with the same score.

Wayne Cislowski took A Grade with 31/35, while Alexander Parker claimed B Grade with 32/35. Blake Heffernan completed his consistent day by adding the C Grade title with 32/35.

ACTA New Members

For the month of September ACTA new members numbered 126

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Port Denison
Pink Ribbon Fundraiser

There was an ocean of pink at the Port Denison Gun Club September monthly shoot. Members of the Port Denison Gun Club wanted to raise money for breast cancer so decided to hold a Pink Ribbon Fundraiser. It was decided that we would hold the fundraiser in September rather than October as many members and clubs are away in October attending annual shoots.

It was a highly successful day with $4750 being raised. The money will be donated to Breast Buddies which is a group of breast cancer survivors, each with a unique journey but united by a single goal: to raise funds to purchase a Faxitron Trident for Mackay Base Hospital.



Best Dressed on the Day, Doris



Best Dressed on the Day, Lui







Points Score, L-R: Blake Heffernan, John Dunn, David Stitt, Simon Steele Presenter Gary Martin

There were forty-four shooters from Blackall, Burdekin, Charters Towers, Mackay/Sarina and Townsville joining our local members and everyone got into the spirit of the day, dressing up in pink with pink clays being thrown and even the food for smoko was pink. Congratulations to Doris and Lui for being the best dressed on the day. Thank you to Hall's Firearms for the donation of vouchers which were won by Michael, Toni and Kinno. The watermelons donated by Blake and Leanne were a great hit.





The multi draw raffle was a huge success with over 37 prizes kindly donated and the club would like to thank everyone who donated an item











including local businesses. Congratulations to all the winners.

Event 1: 25 target Points Score AA: S Steele 70/75, A: D Stitt 72/75, B: J Dunn 66/75. C: B Heffernan 67/75.

Event 2: 75 target Champion of Champions AA: 1st P Scalia 118/125, 2nd G Maltby 117/125, A: 1st G McHenry 117/125, 2nd D Stitt 109/125, B: 1st K Scott 106/125, 2nd J Kinnonmonth 105/125, C: 1st B Paton 94/125, 2nd B Heffernan 87/125.

We would like to thank our major sponsor of the day Marto's Mangoes.

As this was such a successful day the club decided we would make this an annual event with money raised next year to go towards Prostrate Cancer.





Champion of Champions, L-R Back: Presenter Bernadette Martin, Brett Paton, Keiren Scott, Glenn McHenry, P Scalia, Presenter Gary Martin. Front: Blake Heffernan, John Kinnonmonth, David Stitt, Greg Maltby



Halls Firearms winners, L-R: Michael Zabala, Toni Scott, Presenter Rob Mikkelsen, John Kinnonmonth













Port Denison

Two Day Annual 22nd & 23rd August

We had a very successful weekend for our Annual. Caravans started arriving from Wednesday onwards and by Friday there was little room left to park. We had lots of visitors attending our annual shoot. Welcome to Bowen and hope you all enjoyed your stay in our lovely town. Seventy-one Shooters travelled from Blackall, Brisbane, Burdekin, Charters Towers, Clermont, Gold Coast, Gympie, Loddon District, Mackay/Sarina, Mornington Vic, Normanton, Tambo, Townsville and Wonthaggi to join our local boys for some great competition and friendly rivalry.

Kerry and Cheryl in the kitchen kept everyone fed with delicious, tasty food over the weekend starting with a BBQ on Friday night. Breakfast each morning, morning and afternoon teas, lunches and a roast meal and dessert on Saturday night. Thank you to Bruce and Colin for cooking the breakfast and to everyone who donated delicious morning teas etc, we really appreciate your support.

Saturday was a beautiful, sunny, clear day with very little wind which is very unusual for anyone who knows Bowen as it is known as Blowin' Bowen. Even though there was not much wind there were only ten possibles for the day.

Event 1 30 target Medley sponsored by Whitsunday Regional Council

Overall: C Edgerton 50/50 AA: 1st Ray Collinson 50/50, 2nd J Rossato 97/100; A: 1st W Benson 71/75, 2nd D Bartlett 69/75, B: 1st M Wilkins 47/50, 2nd G Clarke 45/50; C: 1st N Young 62/75, 2nd C Marschke 60/75; Junior W Rossato 39/50, Ladies R Mikkelsen 44/50, Veteran L Groat 49/50.

Event 2 30 target Points Score Port Denison Championship sponsored by Abbot Point Operations

There was only one possible with Joseph Rossato taking out the Overall. AA: 1st R Hunter 89/90, 2nd M Pain 88/90; A: 1st J Maxwell 89/90, 2nd



Event I Medley: Med Sponsored by Whitsunday Regional Council Back N Young, M Wilkins, W Benson, R Collinson, C Edgerton Front: C Marschke, G Clarke, R Rossato. Absent D Bartlett



Event 2 Points Score: Back: Presenter N Munro S Raleigh, G Clarke, J Maxwell, R Hunter, J Rossato
Front: C Marschke, D Rossato, M Pain. Absent G Rowe



Event 2 Points Score: Presenter N Munro, Veteran A Lord, Ladies R Mikkelsen, Junior W Rossato

D Rossato 116/120; B: 1st Glenn Clarke 82/90, 2nd G Rowe 80/90; C: 1st S Raleigh 78/90, 2nd C Marschke 74/90; Junior W Rossato 72/90, Ladies R Mikkelsen 95/99, Veteran A Lord 86/90.

Event 3 30 target Double Barrel Championship sponsored by Maltby Family Memorial

There were five fighting for Overall with Joe Caruso being victorious with a score of 55/55, AA: 1st M Pain 45/46, 2nd L Groat 33/34; A: 1st C Edgerton 54/55, 2nd A Lord 34/35; B: 1st G Clarke 28/30, 2nd A Parker 33/36; C: 1st D James 26/30, 2nd S Raleigh 28/34; Junior W Rossato24/30, Ladies M Rossato 27/30, Veteran J Maxwell 31/32. After another tasty breakfast, Sunday morning was another beautiful sunny day.



Event 3 Double Barrel: Back: Presenteer G Maltby, D James, G Clarke, C Edgerton, M Pain, J Caruso
Front: S Raleigh, A Parker, A Lord, L Groat

Event 4 30 target Double Barrel Continental sponsored by Lui and Ines Populin

Overall: R Hunter 35/35; AA: 1st J Rossato 34/35, 2nd M Pain 39/40; A: 1st D Stitt 33/34, 2nd G McHenry 32/34; B: 1st A Parker 27/30, 2nd J Kinnonmonth 26/30; C: A Parker 24/30, 2nd B Heffernan 24/31; Junior W Rossato 28/30, Ladies R Mikkelsen 28/30; Veteran L Groat 30/33.

Event 5 50 target Double Barrel Handicap sponsored by ABC Heavy Engineering & Tincone P/L

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.



Event 4 Double Barrel Continental: Back: Junior W Rossato, Ladies R Mikkelsen, A Parker, A Parker, D Stitt, J Rossato, OA R Hunter, Veteran L Groat. Front: B Heffernan, J Kinninmonth, Lui Populin, G McHenry, M Pain



Event 5 Handicap: Presenter R Mikkelsen, C Robertson, D Stitt, G McHenry, W Roberts

Graded High Guns sponsored by Michael and Susy Populin
Overall: M Pain 247/262, AA: R Hunter 246/262, A: A Lord 233/250, B: G Clarke 216/250, C: S Raleigh 205/250

Junior, Ladies, Veterans High Guns sponsored by Grant Cox

Junior W Rossato 202/250; Ladies R Mikkelsen 228/250, Veteran L Groat 233/250.

Congratulations to all the winners over the week-end and to our fantastic sponsors because without you we would not be able to put on such a great weekend of competition and prizes. Our Sponsors were Whitsunday Regional Council, Abbot Point Operations, Maltby Family Memorial – Greg Maltby, Hall's Firearms, Lui and Ines Populin, ABC Heavy Engineering and Tincone P/L, Michael and Susy Populin and Grant Cox.

Thank you to Lui for donating the raffle prizes.



High Guns: Back: M Populin S Raleigh, G Clarke, A Lord, R Hunter, Overall M Pain
Front: Veteran L Groat, Ladies R Mikkelsen, Junior W Rossato



SEPTEMBER 5–6

ST GEORGE CLAY TARGET CLUB

ANNUAL Where the weather was hot and so was the shooting. St George turned it on for the Annual this weekend, with 118 competitors rolling through the gates for two days of targets, shoot-offs, questionable levels of confidence and the occasional donation to the increasingly well-funded Pawpaw Club.

Friday night kicked things off with the *20 pair Deauville Doubles State Championship*, shot from 22 metres.

Twenty-nine teams lined up, but when the dust settled it was Amanda and John Farr who took the chocolates, finishing on 19/20 + 9/9. With Greg and Steph Matson taking 2nd with 19/20 + 8/9

Saturday hot weather, hot barrels

Saturday arrived with clear skies and temperatures that suggested St George had personally declared war on anyone wearing anything heavier than a singlet.The heat only seemed to encourage the competition, however, with plenty of shooters putting together some seriously impressive scores.

Event 1 30 target Medley Cash Divide
AA Grade: Dean Cusack, James Furini, Waylon Bright, Matthew Bach and Greg Watson 49/50. 1st A Grade: Sam Moore 49/50, 2nd A Grade: David Turvey, Greg Brunsdon, Bill Fletcher, Scott Pomerenke, Todd Bradfield, William Yet Foy, Nick







St George winners

Warden and Sam Tomlinson 48/50. B Grade: Dave Newberry and Hans Model 48/50. 1st C Grade: Gordon Hiles 47/50 2nd C Grade: Tyler Barnes 46/50.

Gordon Hiles was clearly not interested in easing into the weekend, setting the tone for what would become a very Hiles-heavy weekend.









Event 2 25 target Points Score

Three people managed to go possible, including Western Zone fixture Merv Phillips, who apparently had no intention of letting anyone forget he owns a shotgun. But it was James Furini who took the overall honours after an immaculate performance:

Overall: James Furini 90/90 + 15/15. AA Grade: Merv Phillips 90/90 + 14/15. 2nd AA Grade: Waylon Bright 74/75. A Grade: Jason Glover 75/75 + 2/3. 2nd A Grade: John Maxwell 74/75 + 36/36. B Grade: Craig Norman 71/75. 2nd B Grade: Clinton Helwig 70/75 + 3/3. C Grade: Gordon Hiles 66/75. 2nd C Grade: Connor Hiles 64/75.

Event 3 30 target Handicap

And now for the event where everyone starts wondering whether they've secretly been practising for exactly this moment. The handicap came down to an absolute skinner, with local boy Stuart MacKenzie keeping his nerve and taking the win with a perfect 30/30. Behind him, eight shooters were left scrambling for the remaining placings after finishing on 29.

1st Stuart MacKenzie B17 30/30, 2nd Neale Smith AA23 29/30 + 10/10, 3rd David Turvey A18 29/30 + 9/10, 4th Morgan Bell 29/30 + 7/8, 5th Brayden McKee 29/30 + 6/7.

And with that, Stuart MacKenzie officially became the next man wanted in the West, earning himself an invitation to the Best in the West Handicap Shootout Spectacular. Congratulations, Stuart! We'll see you in Surat next year for the Western Zone Carnival where, presumably, you'll be expected to defend your reputation.

Event 4 50 target Double Barrel

And then came the 50 target Double Barrel, sponsored by Geoff Moore Harvesting and this one turned into a family affair with a side serving of Mark Pomerenke's ongoing Double Barrel heartbreak.

A ridiculous nine competitors managed to shoot the full 50/50, meaning the targets were officially running out of people to disappoint. With so many possibles on the board, the event eventually came down to Scott and Mark Pomerenke, brother versus

brother, family honour on the line, and one very important question: Could Mark finally get his hands on the Double Barrel trophy?

The answer, unfortunately for Mark, was no. Again. You may remember that Mark previously lost the Double Barrel at Dalby, where young Jackson Stallwood stepped up and stole it from under his nose. So naturally, Mark came into St George with another opportunity to finally put that particular chapter behind him. Instead, he managed to lose the Double Barrel to his own brother. At this point, Mark isn't competing for the trophy. The Pomerenke family showdown went all the way to the wire, with both brothers starting on the perfect 50/50. Scott eventually found just enough to edge ahead, taking the overall win 31/31 to Mark's 30/31.









Overall: Scott Pomerenke 50/50 + 31/31. AA Grade: Mark Pomerenke 50/50 + 30/31. AA Grade: John Lisle 50/50 + 29/30. A Grade: Sam Tomlinson 50/50 + 5/6. A Grade: Leon Taylor 49/50 + 20/20. B Grade: Frankie Robinson 50/50 + 5/6. B Grade: Dave Newberry 48/50 + 5/5. C Grade: James Brenan 47/50 + 2/2. C Grade: Gordon Hiles 47/50 + 1/2. Junior: Gus Gibbs 48/50. Lady: Steph Matson 49/50. Veteran: John Farr 49/50 + 10/10.

Sunday Double Rise first, because logistics

Sunday brought a slight program re-shuffle, with Event 6 Double Rise being shot before Event 5.

Not because anyone had forgotten how numbers work. Purely because shooting Double Rise first makes the trap setting easier later. Sometimes competitive shooting is about skill. Sometimes it's about making the bloke setting the traps life slightly less miserable.

Event 6 15 pr Double Rise

Overall: Clayton Cusack 29/30. AA Grade: Bruce Powell 27/30. AA Grade: Max Betts 26/30 + 10/10. A Grade: Matthew Millar 27/30. A Grade: Neale Smith 26/30 + 9/10. B Grade: Andrew Martin 26/30. B Grade: Wayne Johnson 22/30 + 9/10. C Grade: Angus Anderson 26/30. C Grade: Dave Newberry 24/30.

Event 5 50 target Continental

Only three shooters managed to keep all 50 targets intact, proving that Continental remains perfectly capable of ruining everyone's confidence before morning tea.

Overall: Andrew Martin 50/50 + 16/16. AA Grade: Brenton Kelly 50/50 + 4/5. AA Grade: Amanda Farr 49/50 + 33/33. A Grade: Sam Moore 50/50 + 15/16. A Grade: Jason Glover 49/50. B Grade: Bruce Webster 45/50 + 6/6. B Grade: Steve Tsavasilis 45/50 + 5/6. C Grade: Gordon Hiles 45/50. C Grade: Elijah Champion 42/50 + 1/1. Junior: Gus Gibbs 45/50. Lady: Nicky Robertson 45/50. Veteran: Rod Woodrow 48/50.

High Guns

Overall: Neale Smith, AA23 Glen Innes 273/285. AA Grade: Clayton Cusack, AA30 Condamine 270/285. A Grade: Sam Tomlinson, A23 Moree 265/285. B Grade: Dave Newberry, B16 St George 256/285. C Grade: Gordon Hiles, C15

Moonie 250/285. Junior: Gus Gibbs Goondiwindi 257/285. Lady: Amanda Farr Narrabri 259/285. Veteran: David Kent Wonthaggi 261/285.

ROMA CLAY TARGET CLUB SINGLE BARREL CUP

Roma had 27 competitors lining up for the Single Barrel Cup on Saturday. Apparently St George wasn't providing enough opportunities for people to question their life choices.

Event 1 25 target Skeet Handicap
1st Bruce Keegan C5 22(+3)/25 + 4(+2)/6. 2nd Ian Long C5 23(+2)/25 + 3(+1)/4. 3rd Matt Moller C5 20(+5)/25 + 6/9. 4th Gareth Graham C4 21(+4) + 3/5. 5th Richard Morrison A1 23(+1)/25 + 4/4.

Event 2 50 target Single Barrel Cup
Overall: Richard Morrison 49/50. AA: Matt Moller 46/50. AA: Bruce Keegan 45/50. A: Jeff Ferrier 45/50. A: Andrew Whyte 43/50. B: Archie Cameron 45/50. B: Terrie Busiko 40/50. C: Riley Pukallus 44/50. C: Mitchell Aisthorpe 40/50 + 5/5.

Event 3 50 target Handicap
1st Matt Moller AA22 49/50. 2nd Henry Johnson A19 48/50. 3rd Archie Cameron B17 47/50 + 8/8. 4th Rabbit Chambers-Rice B17 47/50 + 7/8. 5th Corie Pukallus A20 47 + 1/2.

High Guns
Overall: Matt Moller 115/125. Veteran: Ian Long 101/125. Junior: Riley Pukallus 90/100.

KINGAROY CLAY TARGET CLUB MONTHLY

Kingaroy got stuck into the Ken Mills Toyota 100 target Double Barrel, where Jason Darlington clearly decided that missing one target was more than enough for the day.

Overall: Jason Darlington, A18 99/100. AA:













Cameron Brown 98/100. AA: Robert Ridder 97/100 + 38/38. A: Bill Allan 98/100 + 11/11. A: Steve McCullough 98/100 + 10/11. B: Ben Evans 98/100. B: Bryan Zelinski 93/100. C: Jason Jeynes 84/100. C: Joseph Carney 76/100. Junior: Jackson Stallwood 87/100. Veteran: Graham Facer 94/100.

CONDAMINE GUN CLUB MONTHLY

75 target Champion of Champions
Condamine was the place to be this weekend, with 28 competitors lining up for the monthly

Champion of Champions which, as the name suggests, was an opportunity for the champions to determine who was the champion of the champions. The day got underway with the 75 target Champion of Champions from 18 metres, and it was Bruce Keegan who put together the score of the day, taking the Overall with 117/125.

Clayton Cusack was hot on his heels with 116/125 to claim AA Grade first, followed by Les Merton on

















113/125. In A Grade, Savannah Keegan also finished on 113/125 to take first, with Scott Pomerenke claiming second on 111/125. B Grade produced a tie at the top, with Peter Mitchell and Taite Cusack both finishing on 97/125. Peter eventually took the win after a shoot-off, 23/25 to Taite's 22/25. C Grade went to Peter Williams with a very respectable 107/125, while John Savage took second on 76/125 proving once again that there is no requirement to make things easy for the scorekeeper.

25 target Handicap
Taite Cusack took the win with an impressive 24/25 from B17.

25 target Continental
Clayton Cusack decided that one victory wasn't quite enough and proceeded to shoot 25/25, followed by a 3/3 shoot-off to take AA Grade first. Les Merton also shot the perfect 25, eventually finishing second after the shoot-off with 2/3.

Drew Sturgess took A Grade with 23/25 + 4/4, while Savannah Keegan finished second on 23/25 + 3/4.

Taite Cusack backed up his Handicap win with another Grade victory in B, shooting 23/25 + 4/4, with Peter Mitchell second on 23/25 + 3/4. Stephen Phelps took C Grade with 22/25, while John Savage finished second on 20/25.

After all the dust, targets and arguments over whether that one was actually a miss had settled, the Overall Continental result saw Bruce Keegan and Clayton Cusack finish together on 164/175.

CENTRAL BURNETT GUN CLUB MONTHLY

Over at Central Burnett, 16 competitors took on the 100 target Points Score, with Ben Evans producing the Overall winning score of 275/300.















Jason Darlington led A Grade with 266/300, followed by Stan Kurkiewicz on 252/300. B Grade was taken out by Pat Moloney with 270/300, ahead of Mark Kapernick on 266/300. Robb Watt claimed C Grade first with 250/300, while Wendy Peebles finished second on 234/300.

SEPTEMBER 19–20

There are weekends where the Western Zone turns up, shoots a few targets, has a pleasant little day out and goes home. And then there are weekends like this one. This was apparently the weekend where everyone collectively decided that winning one thing was simply not enough, shoot-offs were to be treated as a legitimate recreational activity, juniors were going to keep embarrassing the adults, and several Western Zone shooters apparently needed to test whether there was a limit to the number of trophies one person could carry before requiring a trailer.

SURAT CLAY TARGET CLUB MONTHLY

Sponsored by Geoff Moore Harvesting, Surat had eight competitors for their monthly competition,











proving once again that Western Zone clubs don't necessarily need a crowd the size of a small music festival to produce some very respectable scores. The big event was the *100 target Mixed*, which gave everyone plenty of opportunity to discover whether their confidence could survive four digits of ammunition and a score sheet long enough to qualify as a short novel.

At the end of it, Sam Moore emerged as the Overall winner with an excellent 144/150.

Not far behind was Viv Moore, who took AA Grade with 139/150. Jack Moller had himself a particularly tidy outing, taking A Grade with 143/150, while Cindy Wilkin led B Grade with 136/150. And in C Grade, Stephen Wilkin finished on 115/150.

A small field, but some very solid shooting.

MOONIE CLAY TARGET CLUB MONTHLY

Meanwhile, over at Moonie, 12 competitors turned up and one of them apparently decided that everyone else had been having far too much fun.

Enter Jason Sipple. Jason's weekend can essentially be summarised as follows:

"Oh, there's another event? Lovely. I'll win that one too." And then he did. And then he did it again.

And then, just to make sure nobody had misunderstood what was happening, he did it a fourth time.

Let's go through it.

Event 1 25 target Double Barrel
The first event of the day produced not one but two perfect scores. Jason Sipple shot 25/25 to take AA Grade. Michael Giltrow apparently looked at that and thought, well, I'm not letting him have all the fun, and also shot 25/25 to take A Grade. Phil Mills claimed B Grade with 21/25, while Daniel Lynham put together a very tidy 24/25 for C Grade.

Event 2 25 target Points Score
The second event was the Points Score, which gave Jason another opportunity to demonstrate that he had decided to become a permanent fixture at the top of the results sheet. He took AA Grade with 74/75. Ray Christie and Michael Giltrow shared A Grade on 71/75, while Ken Giltrow and Phil Mills shared B Grade on 55/75. Peter Gray took C Grade with 58/75.

Event 3 25 target Single Barrel
Then came the Single Barrel. Jason won AA again with 24/25. Angus Gunn took A Grade with 23/25, Ken Giltrow claimed B Grade with 22/25, and Ray Allen took C Grade with 20/25.

Event 4 50 target Continental
And so we arrived at the final event. The 50 target Continental. Jason Sipple 46/50, AA Grade. Again. Ray Christie took A Grade with 45/50, Ken Giltrow B Grade with 38/50, and Daniel Lynham C Grade with 43/50.

And when the dust finally settled, the Overall High Gun was, unsurprisingly, Jason Sipple 169/175. Congratulations, Jason. We're sure everyone is thrilled for you.

WANDOAN GUN CLUB MONTHLY

Over at Wandoan, 15 competitors turned up for a three-event program that included a Medley, Handicap and Continental Points. Which is basically three different opportunities to discover whether your score can survive being compared with somebody else's. And there were some excellent numbers throughout the day.

Event 1 60 target Medley – 20 Double Barrel, 20 Single Barrel, 20 Points Score
Les Merton and Scott Pomerenke both finished on 95/100, with Les taking AA Grade and Scott taking A Grade. Peter Mitchell took B Grade with

91/100, while Steven Phelps led C Grade with 81/100.

A very solid opening event all round. importantly, the appearance of Scott Pomerenke in the A Grade results meant that somewhere in the Western Zone, Mark Pomerenke was probably beginning to feel nervous. The Pomerenke family has a habit of turning up in these recaps.

At this point, I am beginning to suspect they have a roster.

Event 2 50 target Handicap

Then came the Handicap, where the entire purpose is to take a field of people with different handicaps and somehow turn the whole thing into an even bigger argument about metres, targets and whether someone was really supposed to be standing there.

Lachlan Karez, off 19 metres, came out on top with 47/50. Second place was shared by Mark Pomerenke, off 24 metres, and Kyron Sturgess, off 19 metres, both finishing on 46/50. So Mark Pomerenke has now entered the chat.

Event 3 25 target Continental Points 18m

The final event saw Drew Sturgess take A Grade with an excellent 74/75. Meanwhile, Les Merton took AA Grade with 73/75, Kelly Sturgess claimed B Grade with 59/75, and Steven Phelps added C Grade with 55/75. And when the overall numbers were calculated, it was Les Merton who walked away with the High Gun, 210/225.

A very strong weekend from Les, who clearly decided that the best way to spend a Sunday was to make a substantial dent in the target supply.

SEPTEMBER 26–27, 2026

The weekend the red dirt called, the Pawpaw Club grew, and several people made decisions they may or may not remember. The **SCRUBBY CREEK** annual saw 71 competitors nominated. If the Western Zone Carnival is the culmination of a year's worth of practice, preparation and pretending we're all taking this seriously, then Scrubby Creek is the Party Club. The Melbourne Cup of the Western Zone calendar, where the targets fly, the stories grow taller, and the distinction between documented fact and local folklore becomes increasingly difficult to establish. More stories about Scrubby Creek have been lost to hazy memory than have ever been retold, and a suspicious number of the stories that have survived probably contain more truth than anyone is comfortable admitting. If you haven't been to Scrubby Creek, you simply don't understand and won't until you make the pilgrimage into the red-dirt wonderland at the farthest reaches of the Western Zone, where the shooting is competitive, the hospitality is legendary, and the weekend's events are only half the story.

With 71 competitors nominated, this year's carnival delivered everything expected of the institution: excellent shooting, spectacular shoot-offs, a healthy contribution to the Pawpaw Club, and an entirely undocumented Saturday night.

Event 1 30 target Medley Cash Divide

The weekend opened with a 30 target Medley. Scott Gittins led the AA Grade charge with 49/50, followed closely by Geoff Seawright on 48/50, while Angus Anderson and Darren Knight shared third with 47/50. A Grade decided that sharing was caring, with Trevor Hicks, Tom Jarvis and David Picone all finishing on 49/50. Maria Hoolihan also claimed the B Grade win with 49/50, while Travis Johansen took C Grade honours with 48/50.

A strong start all round, although some competitors were clearly saving their ammunition for the shoot-offs, while others were apparently saving their concentration for a later event.







AA: Scott Gittins 49/50; Geoff Seawright 48/50; Angus Anderson and Darren Knight 47/50. A: Trevor Hicks, Tom Jarvis and David Picone 49/50. B: Maria Hoolihan 49/50; Joe O'Shaughnessy 48/50; Peter Molle 47/50. C: Travis Johansen 48/50; Adam Goff 47/50; Jodi Bynon and Harrison Goff 45/50.





Event 2 25 target Double Barrel

An incredible 11 competitors hit the possible, which meant the Double Barrel did precisely what it was supposed to do: separate the wheat from the chaff, then invite the wheat to remain for an increasingly lengthy shoot-off. The AA Grade shoot-off ran three times longer than the overall shoot-off, because 82 targets of sudden death wasn't quite enough excitement for some people.

Scott Gittins emerged victorious in AA after an extraordinary 82/82 shoot-off, with Darren Knight close behind on 81/82. Charlie Brandt took A Grade after a 25/25 qualification, while Peter Molle and Talen Gurney also converted perfect scores into B Grade podium finishes.

But the overall honours belonged to Deserie Baynes, who took the win with 25/25 and 23/23 in the shoot-off, adding another excellent result to the weekend. And somewhere in amongst all this, Clint Abel managed to donate a Pawpaw to the cause.

Overall: Deserie Baynes 25/25 + 23/23. AA: Scott Gittins 24/25 + 82/82; Darren Knight 24/25 + 81/82. A: Charlie Brandt 25/25 + 22/23; Josh Bredhauer 25/25 + 15/16. B: Peter Molle 25/25 + 12/13; Talen Gurney 25/25 + 10/11. C: Tavis Sharpe-Jones 24/25 + 1/1; Robert Thomas 24/25 + 0/1.











Event 3: 25 target Points Score
Only two possibles this time, which naturally meant a two-bang shoot-off, short and sharp.

Tom Jarvis claimed Overall with 75/75 and 3/3 in the shoot-off, while Darren Knight took AA Grade with 75/75 and 2/3. The losing competitor in the shoot-off was awarded a Pawpaw, despite actually hitting the target. Unfortunately, the target was not hit on the first shot, and the Pawpaw Club constitution makes no allowance for technicalities, excuses, or appeals to common sense.



Overall: Tom Jarvis 75/75 + 3/3. AA: Darren Knight 75/75 + 2/3; Scott Gittins 72/75 + 18/18. A: Craig Barnes 74/75 + 6/6; Spike Scouller 74/75 + 5/6. B: Dean Champion 71/75; Tammy Picone 70/75 + 9/9. C: Travis Johansen 71/75; Tavis Sharpe-Jones 70/75.

The Deauville Doubles Incident
No published results for the 10 pair Deauville Doubles. The event has officially been relegated to Scrubby Creek Mythos, where it will join the other historical mysteries, questionable eyewitness accounts, and stories that begin with, "You had to be there." Which brings us neatly to . . . Saturday Night: The Missing Chapter We will never know what happened Saturday night. What ended up in the Gully? Who woke up in a wool bale? Who didn't wake up at all because they didn't actually go to sleep? Were there witnesses? Almost certainly. Were they reliable? That remains to be established.

The official report is that everyone had a wonderful time, and we shall respect the privacy of those involved by not asking any further questions.

Sunday: The Morning After
The sun rose over Scrubby Creek, the competitors emerged from whatever mysterious locations they had occupied overnight, and somehow everyone was expected to shoot again. A remarkable display of resilience, really.





earned membership to the Pawpaw Club. Meanwhile, five of the six AA Graders ended up in a shoot-off, because apparently the AA Grade competitors had decided that Sunday morning was an excellent time to test the limits of everyone's patience. Deserie Baynes emerged victorious after a 14/14 shoot-off, taking AA Grade honours.

Overall: Robert Thomas 24/25 + 1/1. AA: Deserie Baynes 23/25 + 14/14; Geoff Seawright 23/25 + 13/14. A: Benjamin Green 23/25 + 7/8; David Picone 23/25 + 6/8. B: Mick Doyle 23/25 + 3/3; Alex Sparrow 23/25 + 2/3. C: Tavis Sharpe-Jones 24/25 + 0/1; Jodi Bynon 22/25 + 1/1.

Event 5: 25 target Single Barrel

Two C Graders found themselves at the top of the leaderboard and battling it out for Overall honours in a shoot-off so majestic, so dramatic, so monumental in its sporting significance . . . it lasted exactly one shot. Congratulations to Robert Thomas, who took the Overall win with 24/25 and 1/1. Congratulations also to Tavis Sharpe-Jones, who secured the C Grade win and a well-

Event 6 30 target Handicap

The road to the 2027 Best in the West Handicap Shootout Spectacular. A place in the 2027 Best in the West Handicap Shootout Spectacular was up for grabs, and with only two competitors managing the full 30/30, the event became a showdown of the







ladies. Celeste Barnes and Tammy Picone both shot the possible, but Celeste took the top spot with 1/1 in the shoot-off, while Tammy graciously donated a Pawpaw to the cause. Lachlan Anderson, Charlie Brandt and Travis Johansen rounded out the top five, all finishing on 29/30 and requiring shoot-offs to settle their positions.

Celeste Barnes A20 30/30 + 1/1. Tammy Picone B16 30/30 + 0/1. Lachlan Anderson C15 29/30 + 11/11. Charlie Brandt A19 29/30 + 10/11. Travis Johansen C15 29/30 + 7/8.

Event 7 James Gall Memorial Points Score
In The Gully, Ah, the Gully. A place of mystery, tradition, questionable target trajectories, and trees that have developed an unfortunate habit of interfering with perfectly good shooting. Where you can lean on a tree on Lane 4 while taking your shot. Where, if you're lucky enough to receive a straightaway target on your call, you have approximately three business seconds to hit it before it encounters a tree and becomes a lost target. And if there's something hanging in the tree when the event begins? I guarantee it won't be there for long.

The Gully is not merely a shooting layout. It is an ecosystem. A living, breathing test of skill, patience, spatial awareness, and the ability to accept that sometimes the tree wins. Scott Gittins claimed Overall honours with 55/60, while Heidi Russell took B Grade with 54/60 after a shoot-off against Joe O'Shaughnessy. Travis Johansen continued his excellent weekend by taking C Grade, while Deserie Baynes added another AA Grade win to her collection.

Overall: Scott Gittins 55/60. AA: Deserie Baynes 50/60; Martin Hoolihan 47/60. A: Craig Barnes 53/60; Matt Marks 51/60. B: Heidi Russell 54/60 + 6/6; Joe O'Shaughnessy 54/60 + 3/6. C: Travis Johansen 51/60; Tavis Sharpe-Jones 50/60.

High Guns
After two days of competition, shoot-offs, questionable sleep schedules and a brief encounter with the Gully's arboreal hazards, the High Gun standings were finally settled. Tom Jarvis took Overall High Gun with 197/205, while Darren Knight claimed AA Grade with 196/205 and Craig Barnes secured A Grade with 194/205. Holly Russell took B Grade after a shoot-off against Maria Hoolihan, with the result also determining Ladies High Gun. Charlie Brandt claimed Junior High Gun, while Spike Scouller took Veteran honours. And then, of course, there was the Toilet Seat.

Low Gun: Hunter Goff (Junior) 115/205. Hunter, don't despair. Take a good look at the names engraved on that trophy. Some of those shooters have gone on to win Overall High Gun. The Toilet Seat is not the end of the road. It is merely the beginning of a potentially illustrious career.

High Guns
Overall: Tom Jarvis A21 (Veteran) 197/205. AA: Darren Knight 196/205. A: Craig Barnes 194/205.

B: Holly Russell (Lady) 189/205 + 54/60. C: Travis Johansen 190/205. Junior: Charlie Brandt A19 193/205. Lady: Maria Hoolihan B16 189/205 + 51/60. Veteran: Spike Scouller A19 191/205. Low Gun/Toilet Seat: Hunter Goff (Junior) 115/205.

EUMAMURRIN GUN CLUB MONTHLY

While Scrubby Creek was busy creating new folklore, Eumamurrin was getting down to the business of shooting, with 19 competitors turning out for the monthly competition.

Event 1: 25 target Double Barrel
Matt Moller made the trip from Roma worthwhile, taking AA Grade with 28/28 after a shoot-off, while Phillip McWhirter claimed A Grade with 31/32. Kevin Perrin produced the only perfect score in B Grade, finishing with 25/25, while Helen Wilkin took C Grade with 24/25. Anthony Walters also finished on 24/25, but required a shoot-off to settle the result. Unfortunately Hugh Smith found himself on the wrong side of that particular exchange and earned a Pawpaw for his troubles.

AA: Matt Moller 28/28; Rohan Jamieson 27/28. A: Phillip McWhirter 31/32; Kelly Hafemeister 27/28. B: Kevin Perrin 25/25; Seamus Filan 22/25. C: Helen Wilkin 24/25; Anthony Walters 24/26.

Event 2: 25 target Single Barrel
Matt Moller continued his strong showing with a perfect 25/25 to take AA Grade, while Kelly Hafemeister claimed A Grade with 24/25. Cindy Wilkin took B Grade with 20/25, and Anthony Walters secured C Grade with 21/26 after a shoot-off. Stephen Wilkin also finished on 20/25, but unfortunately the shoot-off gods had other plans. Pawpaw for Stephen.

AA: Matt Moller 25/25; Bruce Smith 22/25. A: Kelly Hafemeister 24/25; David Thomas 23/25. B: Cindy Wilkin 20/25; Kevin Perrin 19/25. C: Anthony Walters 21/26; Stephen Wilkin 20/26.

Event 3: 25 target Points Score
Nicholas Guthrie put together an excellent 71/75 to take A Grade, while Ben McDougall claimed AA Grade with 66/75. Kevin Perrin continued his consistent weekend with another B Grade win, and Martin Doonan took C Grade honours. Seamus Filan, meanwhile, remains steadfastly committed to his B Grade identity.

AA: Ben McDougall 66/75; Matt Moller 65/75. A: Nicholas Guthrie 71/75; David Thomas 63/75. B: Kevin Perrin 62/75; Seamus Filan 54/75. C: Martin Doonan 56/75; Anthony Walters 52/75. High Gun: Nicholas Guthrie A20 117/125.

Congratulations to everyone who made the trip out to Eumamurrin. A solid day of shooting, a few Pawpaws distributed, and no reports of anyone waking up in a wool bale.

DALBY GUN CLUB MONTHLY

Dalby welcomed 17 competitors for its monthly shoot, where the Schrag and Bartley families appeared to have quietly decided that the trophy cabinet needed a refresh.

Event 1: 50 target Double Barrel
Brock Schrag led the AA Grade field with 49/50, while Kyron Sturgess took A Grade with 48/50 after a shoot-off against Andrew Mitchell. Ken Stevenson claimed B Grade with 47/50, and Dyson Taylor took C Grade with 45/50 after a shoot-off against Kelly Sturgess.

AA: Brock Schrag 49/50; Ross Bartley 44/50. A: Kyron Sturgess 48/50 + 5/5; Andrew Mitchell 48/50 + 4/5. B: Ken Stevenson 47/50; Lyle Bartley 46/50. C: Dyson Taylor 45/50 + 5/5; Kelly Sturgess 45/50 + 4/5.

Event 2: 30 target Handicap
Brock Schrag continued his impressive day, taking the Handicap win with a perfect 30/30. Ross Bartley followed with 28/30, while junior shooter Drew Sturgess secured third with 27/30. Bree Schrag and Ken Stevenson rounded out the top five after a shoot-off, with Bree taking fourth.

Brock Schrag AA20 30/30. Ross Bartley AA23 28/30. Drew Sturgess A19 (Junior) 27/30. Bree Schrag B16 (Lady) 26/30 + 9/9. Ken Stevenson B17 26/30 + 8/9.

Event 3: 15 pair Double Rise
Ross Bartley claimed A Grade with 26/30, while Brock Schrag followed closely on 25/30. Bill Wehl took B Grade with 25/30, and James Mooring secured C Grade with 26/30. A good showing from the Dalby regulars, with the Double Rise providing a suitably dramatic conclusion to the day's competition.

A: Ross Bartley 26/30; Brock Schrag 25/30. B: Bill Wehl 25/30; Cam Sturgess 23/30. C: James Mooring 26/30; Ashley Williams 25/30.

High Gun
Brock Schrag AA20 104/110.

Scott Farr, Maryborough Ironman

The Maryborough September shoot, held on the fourth weekend of the month, once again coincided with the AFL Grand Final weekend. With the public holiday on the Friday, competitor numbers for this fixture have traditionally been poor and, in an effort to attract additional shooters this year, the club decided to offer something different with a special Ironman Championship.



Maryborough Ironman, Scott Farr

The 100 target competition combined Double Barrel, Single Barrel, Points Score, Continental and Double Rise, providing competitors with a genuine all-round test of DTL shooting. With worthwhile cash prizes for first and second in each grade, sectional awards and lucky door prizes, the club had hoped the different format would encourage a stronger attendance. Unfortunately, despite extensive advertising, just 17 competitors took part. Cold and wet conditions certainly did not help, but the result again suggests that AFL Grand Final weekend is simply a difficult date on which to conduct a significant shoot at Maryborough.

Those who did brave the conditions were faced with a varied program in which consistency across the different disciplines was the key to success.

Castlemaine's Scott Farr proved the most accomplished all-round performer, compiling 121/140 to become the Overall Ironman Champion and also taking A grade. With five different disciplines making up the championship, maintaining form as the shooting format changed throughout the program was essential, and Farr's score proved enough to secure the major sash.

In AA Grade, Maryborough's Leigh Watts led the way with 119/140, just two points behind the Overall winner. David Button from Castlemaine secured second place in the grade with 109/140.

The A Grade contest was particularly close, with two Maryborough shooters separated by only two points. Darren Watts claimed the grade honours with an excellent 118/140, while Adrian O'Connell finished close behind on 116/140.

Club Secretary Garry Cassells put together a consistent performance across the five disciplines to take B Grade with 115/140. Bendigo visitor Luke Edson finished second on 112/140, leaving only three points between the two at the completion of the Ironman program.

The competition in C Grade, saw Maryborough veteran Jim Shepherd shooting 116/140 take first place. Fellow club



Ladies, Leisa Douma



A Grade Ist, Darren Watts



C Grade 2nd, Jim Hibbins & President, Nathan Cassells



AA Grade Ist, Leigh Watts



AA Grade 2nd, David Button



B Grade Ist, Garry Cassells



B Grade 2nd, Luke Edson

member James Hibbins claimed second with 103/140.

Shepherd also claimed the Veteran award, while Leisa Douma secured the Ladies section with 80/140.

The club acknowledges the support of OTC, Dunn Plumbing and Maryborough Off Road, whose sponsorship contributed to the prizes available for the championship.

While the attendance was disappointing, the club sincerely thanks those members and visitors who made the effort to support the day, particularly given the unpleasant weather. President Nathan Cassells, Secretary Garry Cassells and Jim Hibbins had the layouts prepared and ready for competition, while Kellie and Donna once again ensured everyone was looked after in the club canteen.

Maryborough's next shoot will be the regular DTL program on October 24, followed by the club's 100 target Compak competition on October 31.

Keep the Date Free

MARYBOROUGH GUN CLUB

October 31st

3rd Craig Jennings Memorial Cup

100 target Compak

Starting time 10.00 am

Deacon Day at Bega



Grandfather Bert, Granddaughter Chelsea and Father Alan, all winners, with Chelsea celebrating her first win

It is always great to see beginning shooters achieve success. There is nothing quite like that first win to create the drive to continue in this fantastic sport. Chelsea Deacon has been competing regularly at Bega Gun Club, following a family tradition started by Grandfather Bert and continued by Dad Alan. Saturday saw the culmination of her efforts with her first win, taking out C Grade 25 target Points Score, 69/75, much to the delight of the members who attended the October shoot. We are all sure the plan is to beat both Dad and Grandfather. On Sunday's effort it won't be long.

The club presented a varied program for our October shoot, commencing with a 10 target eye opener.

AA/A saw Dan Hyland, Colin Sheehan, Alan Deacon and Ray Welch clean the lot, while in B Grade, John Walker and Kevin Hurt shot 9/10 to share the prize money. Bert Deacon, Rob Corbin, Brian Smith and Martin Sims scored 9/10's to collect in C Grade.

25 targets Points Score followed the opening round. In AA/A, Ray Welch continued his perfect start to shoot 75/75 for first place, with Alan Deacon taking second with a 71/75. B Grade went to Greg Lye with a neat 64/75 and John Walker in second place on 58/75. Chelsie Deacon led the way in C Grade with a fine 69/75, dropping only two targets, with



Ray Welch, High Gun; AA/A grade EO; Ist Points Score; Ist AA/A/B grade Double Rise



Alan Deacon, AA/A grade EO; 2nd AA/A grade Points Score; 2nd AA/A grade Single Barrel



Chelsea Deacon, Ist C grade Points Score, her first win



Greg Lye, Ist B grade Points Score; 2nd B grade Single Barrel; Ist C grade Double Rise



George Toyne, 2nd C grade Single Barrel



Bert Deacon, C grade EO; Ist C grade Single Barrel

George Adamopoulos taking second prize with 63/75.

Wind and darkening skies made the 25 target Single Barrel an interesting exercise, although Alf Niesar didn't seem to notice, shooting a 24/25 to win AA/A. After a one target shoot-off, Alan Deacon added another second prize to his day's collection with a 22/26. Kevin Hurt made his trip down from Bingi worthwhile with a 22/25 taking B Grade with Greg Lyle 20/25 in second. Bert Deacon rolled 18/25 for the win in C Grade with



Charlie Smith, 2nd AA/A/B grade Double Rise, with presenter Keith Pearce



Alf Niesar, Ist AA/A grade Single Barrel; 2nd C grade Double Rise



Kevin Hurt B grade EO; Ist B grade Single Barrel

George Toyne in second after another quick shoot-off, 19/27.

Just to ensure we didn't get bored, the final offering for the day was 25 pair Double Rise. Ray Welch returned to the winner's circle with a 35/50 to win AA/A/B grade, with Charlie Smith 33/50 in second. Greg Lyle did the work in C Grade to win with 31/50 with Alf Niesar in second 29/50.

High Gun went to Ray Welch, 140/160. Well done!

Next month we will be offering 50 targets Double Barrel and 50 targets Points Score and of course, a great lunch.

SHOOT CALENDAR

2026

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

2027

February 12–14	Warrnambool Seaside Carnival	Warrnambool CTC

Break Badges

NAME	*HOME CLUB*	*ACHIEVED AT*	*BREAK*
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Burns,C	Colbinabbin	Bendigo	DTL 75,100, 150
Chapman,A	Newcastle/ Lake Macq	Cessnock	DTL 50,75
Connor,K	Glen Innes	Grafton	DTL 100
Elliott,A	Tumut	Yass	DTL 100
Friend,T	Canberra International	ADFCTA Wagga	SKT 20g 50,75
Large,C	Bundaberg	Bundaberg	DTL 50
Neale,C	West Australian	West Australian	DTL 50,75
O'Brien,J	Majura Park	Majura Park	50T @ 25m 50
Palmer,R	Border	Wangaratta	DTL 75
Pannetta,A	Bendigo	Werribee	Compak 100
Parker,J	Hamilton	Tyrendarra	Cont 100
Potter,J	Majura Park	Tumut	DTL 50,75
Poulos,N	Sydney	Tamworth	DTL 300, 350,400
Raabe,M	Townsville	ADFCTA Wagga	DTL 50,75
Redondo,P	Cessnock	Cessnock	DRL 50,75
Repacholi,A	Numurkah/Shep	Cosgrove	DTL 50
Scalia,Z	Ballandean	Ballandean	DTL 50
Stanhope,R	Townsville	Charters Towers	DTL 50
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I hereby apply for membership of the _____ Club

Please tick one: As a ◯ continuing, or ◯ new member, together with my application for A.C.T.A. registration for the year ending 31st December 2027. ☐ I have previously been a registered member with the A.C.T.A.

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