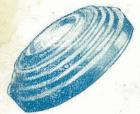


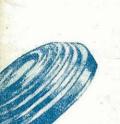
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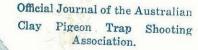
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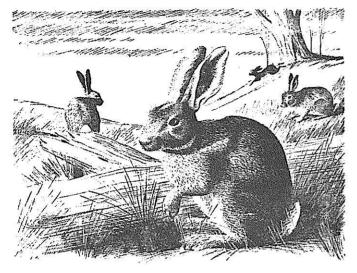
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# THE EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK



Commencing the third year of the publication of "News," this opportunity is taken of extending the Association's thanks to shooting sportsmen and advertisers, and the legion of well-wishers which the advent of "News" has brought about. The Association will enter upon its fourteenth year of existence following the Thirteenth Annual Meeting, to be held at the usual venue, Scott's Hotel, Melbourne, on Wednesday,

Trovember 2, 1949. The Association is stronger in prestige to-day than over, with a rapidly expanding infrence, as well as figures in the way of registered shooters and affiliated clubs to support this contention.

In another section of this issue offliated clubs are further reminded regarding the Annual Meeting, and also advised to make application for 1950 championships not later than 1st November next.

# LEETON GUN CLUB (N.S.W.)

(Affiliated A.C.P.T.S.A.)

GROUND LCCATION: LEETON SHOWGROUND

# ALL DAY SHOOT

## Saturday, November 5th, 1949

Commencing 10.30 a.m.

Event 1 5-BIRD D.B. SWEEPSTAKE

Nom., 5/-.

Event 2

10-BIRD D.B. SWEEPSTAKE

Nom., 10/-.

Event 3 10-BIRD D.B. TROPHY HANDICAP Nom., 15/-.

Optional Sweep, 10/-.

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### THE ASSOCIATION

The Association's Annual Meeting will be held at Scott's Hotel, 444 Collins Street, Melbourne, C.1, on Wednesday, November 2, 1949, commencing at 8 p.m. Every affiliated member club is entitled to one delegate to represent its interests at the meeting providing all rules of the Association have been observed and all shooters registered. Payment of affiliation only will not permit entitlement of a delegate. Names and addresses of delegates must be in the hands of the Association Secretary not later than 5 p.m. on October 25, 1949. Nominations for all office-bearers will close at 5 p.m. on October 25, 1949. Applications for 1950 — Commonwealth, State and District Championships, should reach the Association Secretary not later than November 1. All clubs will have direct notice of the foregoing directions.



### U.S.A. SHOOTING

A recent U.S.A. mail brought forth the special gold covered programme for the 50th Annual Grand American Handicap series. The booklet is lavishly produced, and it is stated the series will take place during "Golden Anniversary Week, August 22 to 27," with preliminary days, August 19, 20 and 21.

The inside introductory cover page read "Welcome, to trapshooters everywhere. The Executive Committee of A.T.A. is happy to present to you this programme for the 50th ,~~~~~~~~,

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Grand American Handicap Tournament, which will be entered in the archives of the Amateur Trap-shooting Association as 'The Golden Grand.' Fifty years ago the first Grand American Handicap was held in New York, with seventy-four shooters participating. Twenty-five years ago, in 1924, the Grand American Handicap was held at Vandalia, Ohio, the new permanent home, with 528 shooters participating. In the last twenty-five years we have enjoyed a steady increase. Last year we had 1,678 shooters participating. The facilities at the permanent home have been so expanded that we are able to accommodate more than 2,000 shooters and modate more than 2,000 shooters and finish in ample time for 's oot-offs' each day. The Executive Conmittee and myself wish to extend to all trapshooters an invitation to help make this, 'The Golden Grand,' the largest and best 'Grand' we have ever had. Sincerely, Walter B. Higley, President Amateur Trapshooting Association of America."

The Grand American Handicap was shot on August 26 (results will be published in the next issue). The

be published in the next issue). The winner receives 1,500 dollars, second 1,000 dollars, third 500, fourth 400, fifth 300, sixth 200 dollars; 100 dollars each goes to next ten high-guns. 75 to next sixteen, 50 to next twentysix, 40 to following fifty, and 30 dollars finally to next seventy high-guns. Trophies are also presented down to the tenth high-gun.

Under a heading "Announcements", the following extracts are of interest: "Every contestant is advised to look at the scoreboard and inform himself of the squad he is in. The Trapshooting Association rules will govern all points not otherwise provided for. In case darkness prevents the finish of any event the same day it is commenced, the manage-ment reserves the authority to stop shooting at any time it may be deemed necessary. Gambling will not be permitted on the A.T.A. grounds at any time during the tournament. Contestants who are in a tie for any trophy or have a possible chance of getting into a tie should not leave the grounds until announcement is made as to when and how such ties will be shot off. In leaving the grounds a contestant forfeits all his rights in any event in which he may have a tie score."

# ST. JAMES DISTRICT GUN CLUB

(Affiliated A.C.P.T.S.A.)

# ALL DAY SHOOT

-- ON --

Saturday, Nov. 12th, 1949

Commencing 9.30 a.m. Sharp.

EVENT No. 1

### £25 SWEEP

Off A.C.P.T.S.A. Handicap marks at 15 Birds, Trophies for 1st, 2nd, Best Front Marker, and a Special Trophy for Best Local Shooter living within 15 miles' radius of St. James, not winning any other trophy. Nomination, £2, including trophy and birds.

EVENT No. 2

### VICTORIAN WALK UP CHAMPIONSHIP

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H. PETTIT, President. Phone: 29. ALAN R. CHURCH, Secretary. Phone: 40.

### GUN GOSSIP

(By "North Country," of "The British Shooting Times')

More guns are ruined by the pitting of the barrels than by any other cause. At least they are ruined in the sense that their secondhand value is greatly diminished. The usual kind of pitting may not seriously affect the shooting powers of a gun, but it will assuredly affect its value in the secondhand market. In the case of a really cheap gun this does not matter very much. In any other case it does matter, and in a gun of best quality it is a tragedy. Moreover, if pitting is allowed to become really deep it may actually render a gun dangerous to use. To-day, powders and priming are more innocuous than they used to be, and, consequently, the chances of erosion are reduced from this source. But the bore which is not regularly cleaned is sure, sooner or later, to become a victim to this canker. I am interested in any process which may help to render barrels immune to attack in the event of neglect or to repair them when damaged. Recently I have been given a few details of "Durionising" — an anti-corrosion treatment for which considerable benefits are claimed.

This system of protecting the bore with chromium by "Durionising" should not be confused with what is popularly known as chromium plating. "Durion" deposition is so bonded to the main body of metal that it cannot peel or flake. The process leaves a chrome layer perfectly bonded to the carefully prepared bore so that the shooting properties are in no way impaired. A gun's safety margin is unaltered. It is claimed that the diamond-hard layer is not only proof against any corrosive action of the powder residue, but strongly resists the abrasion of the hardest shot. The promoters add the following: "While advising against leaving the bores uncleaned indefinitely, we claim and guarantee that no ordinary usage will harm them, and they can be left for considerable periods uncleaned without damage resulting. It is further claimed that 'Durionised' bores will outlast the finest action. And, here, a word of warning. Now that the

sportsman can keep his gun barrels in perfect condition with the minimum of effort, he must remember that the face of the action, the knuckle of the gun and the whole of the outside still need that normal care and attention as heretofore."

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These are very great claims which would doubtless not be made unless the sponsors had not only faith and confidence in their process but also some concrete evidence to back them up. I asked them, accordingly, to give me any details of barrels which had been treated in this way and submitted to an acid test. I was informed that a barrel so treated had had a series of caps fired through it and been left uncleaned for a period of eight years. Now, it is generally known that it is the potassium chloride of the cap composition which is the most likely cause of initial trouble in the bore. Those who have fired an empty but capped cartridge case in their gun and have omitted to clean it, in the thought that the comparatively slight fouling could make no difference, have been surprised to find how corrosive this can become, even by the following morn-ing. A friend once fired a couple of such cases through his gun in order to ease the striker springs, stood the gun in the corner and forgot about

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Nomination 50/-

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LUNCHEON ON GROUND.

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A. RICKARDS, Secretary, Box 103, Echuca.

it for a week. On opening the gun and ejecting the cases he found the section of the bore just forward of the chambers a mass of corrosion. It required much drastic application of a scratch brush before matters were finally put right again; not a very satisfactory performance.

The barrel which was left for eight vears - the "Durionised" one - was found to be in perfect condition. Once the deposit from the priming residue had been wiped out—a simple matter in the circumstances, there being no corrosion-the surface of the bore was as bright and unspotted as before. I am also informed that this treatment can be successfully applied in the renovation of pitted barrels, and also in the building up of the choke. All this is very interesting, and if all the claims are fully substantiated, there seems to be a great future for this process.

Should it happen that, due to some . To the Editor, accident or the use of some specially corrosive power, the bore became injured, I should certainly ask my gunmaker about the possibilities of this treatment. In these days of soaring prices and dwindling net incomes, a process that prolongs wear and facilitates repair has the most definite attractions.

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The following is a letter received from Mr. Donald Mackintosh, the veteran champion trapshot who was the donor of the Mackintosh Inter-national Trophy which Australia regained from England in 1949. Mr. Mackintosh writes:

Dear Mr. McCullough,

Many thanks for yours of August 20. Please convey to the Aussie team my sincere congratulations on their victory against all England. I will look forward to meeting them on March 11 and 13, 1950 at the International Match on that occasion with interest.

With renewed thanks and best wishes.

Yours very sincerely,

Donald Mackintosh.

Essendon, Vic.

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Sir,

After reading all the high scores that have been put up in the recent Deauville doubles contests it seems . to me the time has come when some means of limiting scoring should be introduced. Surely it does not take four barrels from our rapidly improving clay bird shooters to stop two clays. (Personally I need an automatic, fully charged, to get one.) In my opinion, and no doubt many will disagree with this, bringing shooters back further is handicapping the gun more than the shooter, so the only thing to do, then, is to limit the number of shots at the two birds to three. This would bring us more in line with American shooting.

I would suggest that Deauville to be shot at three pairs per visit to the trap. On the first visit the shooter on No. 2 track to have the use of both barrels and the shooter on No. 4 track to use one only. On the next visit, that is next three pairs, shooter on No. 2 to use one barrel only and shooter on No. 4 to use both, if necessary. Shooters should not be allowed to change positions to allow one to use double barrel all the time. This method to

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR (CONT.)

continue to total number of pairs have been shot at. In the event of ties the above routine to be used after every pair has been shot at, instead of after every three pairs.

Of course this method would be suitable only for club events as championships have to be shot under A.C.P.T.S.A. rules. This should promote better first-barrel shooting and help to get away from the ordinary routine of club events.

Trusting this may be of interest to some of your readers.

I am, Yours etc.,
J. M. Scott. Mount Beauty, via Wodonga, Vic.

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The Secretary-Editor,

Australian Clay Pigeon Shooting News.

Dear Sir,

The flattering notice I received in the September issue of "The Shooting News" made me blush, but the credit for my win is lessened by the fact that my age was greatly exaggerated. Instead of being 85 years of age I am only 80. I was born in 1869 on the gold fields near Tallarat. My father was a miner when the Eureka Stockade event took place. He did not take an active part, but heard the shooting.

We youngsters used weapons (some made out of piping) which I would not fire to-day for £100, and used to shoot the frogs in the shafts and dams. My first gun was a flintlock pistol, then a pepper box muzzle loader, followed by a Tranter, Adams, pin fire French revolver, Colt .38, Smith and Wesson .32 and, finally, a Colt .32 automatic.

We came to N.S.W. when the railway was only as far as Dubbo and went out beyond Nyngan. I did a lot of shooting with muzzle loaders. There was wonderful shooting along the Bogan and out on the Macquarie Marshes in those days. I have seen fully 200 wild turkeys at a time. Tho poison carts, foxes, wild pigs and tame cats gone wild have ruined most

of the best game resorts in Australia.

I went back to Ballarat to College; then, when I was eighteen years of age had a trip abroad all on my own. Annie Oakley came to Berlin with the Wild West Show whilst I was there, and her shooting was marvellous. She would put the gun on the ground at about the 18 yard mark and go back to about the 30 yard, facing away from the trap. She would then give the signal "Pull," run and pick up the gun and break both targets double rise.

Buffalo Bill, Frank Butler and other members of the Show did some fine shooting. Another member of the Show did something which I have never seen attempted before or since. He stood on his head, with legs doubles be shot at as follows: Events held by another man, and broke clays with very few misses. I also saw Dr. Carver shoot and the Chevalier Ira Paine, world's cham-pion revolver shot. W. W. Greener mentions him in his book, "The Gun."

I have been the guest of Hugh McIntosh, many years ago, at the Sydney Gun Club Shoot out Botany way. We went out in a four-horse drag, starting from the old Royal

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Hotel. I became very friendly with that fine old gentleman, Coun-Modini. Most of the sportsmen of those days have gone west. To write about the many experiences I have gone through—grim, gruesome and humorous—would take up too much valuable space, in fact, would fill a good-sized book.

I would like to say that I greatly appreciate the kindness, sympathy and good-fellowship of brother shooters and members of the Hornsby Gun Club. The ovation I receive when I fluke a win makes me feel like a film star.

Best wishes and good shooting from yours sincerely,

Fred. Werner.

Lindfield, N.S.W

We have received an interesting note from Launceston shooter, Neil Frith, who journeyed north during

August to compete in the title events at Townsville and Atherton. Neil pulls no punches about the hospitality he received from the Northerners. He writes:

"Having just returned from a trip to North Queensland, I would like to express through 'News' my sin-cere thanks to members of Towns-ville and Atherton Gun Clubs for their kindness and hospitality as extended to my family and myself. This was my second trip North, and I can assure any shooter who is contemplating such a trip he will receive a right royal welcome. I found that the manner in which the Commonwealth single-barrel championship was conducted at Townsville was a credit to President 'Willo' Hanran, Secretary Fred Blackman and all members of that club. Whilst on this members of that club. Whilst on this point, I would like to congratulate Keith Cameron, of Roma, on his excellent effort in winning the big title, 24/25; also including the placegetters, Ken Bassett (Roma) and Doug. Nasser (Atherton). Mel. Johnstone, of Yarwun, put up a splendid performance to win the North

## HAY GUN CLUB (N.S.W.)

(Affiliated A.C.P.T.S.A.)

# SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29th, 1949

WESTERN RIVERINA DOUBLE-BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP

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# HOBART GUN

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### OCTOBER 22ND, 1949

Commencing 10.30 a.m.

EVENT NO. 1

3 BIRD WALK-UP TROPHY SHOOT. Competitors under 16 yards Handicaps commence at 18 yards. Back markers commence 22 yards. Double Barrel. Nomination, 5/-.



EVENT No. 2

### TASMANIAN WALK-UP CHAMPIONSHIP 1949

25 BIRDS - DOUBLE BARREL. Competitor loads gun on 22 yard mark, centre track, and commences walking at normal pace, with gun held in any position. The bird is released between 20 and 15 yard mark, as shown on indicator. 5 birds each visit. Entry, 20/-, with 10/-Optional Sweepstake. Trophies: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and Best 12/14 Yard Shooter. Optional Sweep divided: 1st, 60 per cent.; 2nd, 30 per cent.; 3rd, 10 per cent.



EVENT No. 3

### £50 HANDIGAP

20 BIRDS, DOUBLE-BARREL. Divided, 60 per cent., 30 per cent., and 10 per cent. Nomination, £2.

LUNCHEON SERVED ON GROUND

Association Handicaps.

Referee: J. BILYARD.

Stewards: E. McRAE, J. McKENZIE, E. NELSON.

. J. M. TYQUIN, President.

D. BRIDGES, Acting Hon. Sec., 142 Elizabeth Street. Hobart.

Queensland mixed birds title at valuable space in our enjoyable Atherton. This club is also to be commended on its excellent handling of that event, plus the usual "Northern hospitality." We stayed at the Barron Valley Hotel at Atherton—this wonderful home from home' is conducted by the Nasser family, and I can assure those who wish for a holiday 'just like home, well, Barron Valley Hotel is the shot. As an incidental, Doug. Nasser and his wife provided a musical evening between them which we will never forget - the quality of their performances would do credit to a top-line professional effort. Fred Blackman ensured us a great outing among the 'blackies'—I am not letting on how many we got, but I brought back two dozen to Launceston, and they carried perfectly. A holiday I will never forget—thanks, Northerners, you're tops."

"A.C.P.S. News" to warble my "Swan Song."

I have been able to thank personally those members and friends attending the club, but there are a great many others whom I can only reach through our monthly "News."

On behalf of Mrs. Watson and my self, I wish to express to all, our thanks and appreciation for the many kindnesses and pleasant associations we have experienced over the past two years, both at home and when we have visited other clubs.

These pleasant associations will, we hope, continue for many years and our feelings can be best expressed in the Scotch saying, "May a mouse ne'er leave your 'GIRNAL' with a tear in its eye." ("Girnal" is the container in which "porridge eaters" keep their oatmeal—refer "Jock" Wilson.)

Yours sincerely,

"Doech-an-Doris"

Dave Watson.

Out of the goodness of your heart 3 Y Street, I hope you will grant me a small, but Ashburton, E.13.

Dear Mr. Editor,

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AUSTRALIAN (V.) — The main event on Sept. 10 was the Victorian Mixed Birds Championship. This type of event is usually of protracted nature and considerable time is occupied in disposal. Fred Burns carried on his winning form by annexing the event outright, 18/20. He missed only on his 17th and 18th pairs at double-rise. All his down-the-line portion was shot with first barrels. Des O'Callaghan was runner-up after a tie shoot with Les Schilling, 23/28 to 20/28. In this shoot-off for the places, Schilling broke both pairs at double-rise, where O'Callaghan completely failed. In the remaining portion of the tie shoot the position was reversed-Schilling did not score, and O'Callaghan broke the full complement. W. Wager was on the 13/14 yarder trophy, 19/28, from the up-and-coming Camberwell shot, Vern Dudley. A 5 birder which preceded Dudley. A 5 birder which preceded the main event was cut by D. B. O'Callaghan, A. J. Russell and "Drongo" 7/7. September 24—No. 1, 10 birds, D.B., six possibles, tie shoot, "Eskdale" 20/20, Vern Dudley 19/20, Mjr.-General W. Bridgeford 17/18. 14 yarder, K. Jenkins 10/11, No. 2, 10 birds for Lord Birdwood Cup, "Bruino" (Bill Scott) 11/11, L. Byrne 10/11, W. Wager 16/17. 13/14 yarder, A. F. Byers 12/13. 12 yarder, Alec Weir 8/12. No. 3, 10 birds, points scoring, 4 18/20's. Tie shoot, Frank Tuck 32/34, L. Small 31/34, E. G. Biggs 20/24. 13/14 yarder, C. K. Dobson 16/20. 12 yarder, W. Gresselle, 10/20. Gresselle, 10/20.

The all-day Show Day holiday shoot on September 29 attracted a big attendance. The main event, a 45-

birder, from Association handicaps, was won by John Bryant, Junr., 51/54, from Vern. Dudley 50/54 (who has run a number of seconds in recent weeks), and A. H. Brenk 43/47. These three divided £40 and shot on for the trophies after returning original scores of 42/45. D. Haddow 52 56, "Peters" 52/57, "Duxbac" 51/57, also received trophies, with 13/14 yarder, D. K. Dobson, 40/45 and 12 yarder, G. McDowell, 35/45. Other events resulted, No. 1 5 birds, 7 possibles, div. M. Gardiner, "Duxbac" and George Simpson 7/7. No. 2 15 birds, two possibles, "Duxbac" 23/23, "Peters" 22/23, V. Dudley 25/26. J. Lawler, (Finley, N.S.W.) 16/19, 12 yarder M. Gardiner 9/15, No. 3 5 birds, 17 possibles, div. W. Finnegan, "Drongo" L. Bourbaud (Sale), and "Pampas" 9/9.

coburg (V.) — September 3 proved a difficult day for shooters competing in the Commonwealth walk-up title. A cold following breeze made the targets drop rapidly. An odd release was observed to "float." These features tried the most experienced shots. Fred Burns showed himself as the great shot he is by winning the event outright, 21/25. J. Bryant (Junr.) 26/35 was runnerup, and "Bruino" (Billy Scott) 25/35 3rd. The 14 yarder trophy went to Bill Finnegan, 15/25. Other events resulted No. 1, 5 birds, walk-up, div. L. L. Schilling, A. F. Burns, F. Cautero, J. Bryant (Junr.), H. Donelly and W. Wager 4/5. No. 3. miss-out, D.B., W. Wager 14/14. "Ingi" 13/14, J. A. McCra'th 12/13, Clem Cole 11/12. Results on Sep-

e same transfer

tember 17: No. 1, 10 bird, D.B., div. tember 17: No. 1, 10 bird, D.B., div. W. Hurlstone, W. F. Williams and T. Spall 10/10. No. 2, 15 birds, D.B., J. H. Headland 16/16, B. Kelly 15/16, Hering 27/28. 14 yarder, C. K. Dobson 25/30. No. 2, 5 birds, D.B., A. E. Goodear 9/9, J. Bardin 13/15. Off fence, No. 1, div. Headland and Hurltone 3/3. No. 2, "Peters" 3/3.

CAMBERWELL (V.) - Peter Sheridan won the main event, the club double-rise championship on September 3; he scored 8/10 to gain an outright success. R. Johns and Fred Skate tied so often that they finally decided to toss for the second trophy—they scored 14/25. Frank Hockey 12/14 yarder trophy, 4/10. Other events resulted: No. 1, 3 pairs, double-rise, "Dick" 4/5. No. 3, 10 birds, D.B., C. Wignell 12/12, R. Johns 11/12. No. 4, 5 birds, S.B., R. Johns 8/8. September 17th results: No. 1, 5 birds, D.B., div. F. Cronk, F. Thompson, A. Whittla, K. Jenkins 10/10. No. 2, 5 pairs, auto and driven, V. Dudley 8/9, P. Willis 7/9, "Eskdale" 5/7. No. 3, 5 birds, D.B., div. R. Cummins, V. Dudley, D. B. O'Callaghan, K. Jenkins, R. W. Delaney 9/9. No. 4, 5 birds (overhead), A. Whittla 16/16. decided to toss for the second

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FOOTSCRAY (V.)—September 10 was President's Day at Footscray Club, and a splendid array of trophies was made available for competitors. A large number of shooters attended. Results were: No. 1, 5 birds, div. "Doch- and-Doris," J. Sydenham and L. Kennedy 5/5. No. 2, 15 birds, D.B. (six trophies), E. F. Watson 19/23, W. R. Johns 18/23, C. Sydenham 16/18, A. Hendrickson 17/19, Prior Velle 16/10, Prior Velle 16/10, and 16/18, A. Hendrickson 17/19, and 18/18, and 18/18 Brian Kelly 16/19, "Double-H" 15/19. No. 3, 5 birds, D.B., div. C. Wilson, A. C. Tie 5/5. September 24—No. 1, A. C. 11e 5/5. September 24—No. 1, 5 birds, S.B., div. J. Hyett and C. Sydenham 5/5. No. 2, 20 birds, D.B., K. Veall 24/25, J. D. Byrne 23/25, J. A. McCraith 29/31. 14 yarder, J. Sydenham 25/28.

DENILIQUIN (N.S.W.)-The club mixed birds championship was won by W. F. Robertson 9/12 from secre-tary Leo Ridge 8/12 and "Bolo" 7/12. A ten-bird handicap was cut by father and son, W. F. Robertson and son "Red," 10/10. The club's premier double-barrel title was won by Ed Daly 20/20 from H. Toole, of Clunes, 17/20, W. Cakebread 16/20 and L. Ridge 15/20. W. Cakebread won a 5 birder, 5/5. The club is sponsoring novice shoots, and these have now become a regular feature of the club's activities.

YARRAM (V.)—September 3.—A good muster of shooters attended for the fixture which commenced at 12.30 p.m. Don Barlow, son of Roy Barlow, gained a cut of 5 out of 9 events held. The shoot was Don and Roy Barlow's final appearance at Yarram, as both are shortly moving to Queensland. They will be a loss to Gippsland shooting tracks in Victoria. Results were: No. 1, 5 birds, points, Don Barlow 12 pts. No. 2, 5 birds, S.B., Ted English 5/5. No. 3, 10 birds, D.B., M. Atkinson 10/10. No. 4, 10 birds, D.B., div. R. Barlow and Don Barlow 10/10. No. 5, 5 birds, silent rise, div. Dr. H. H. Martin, F. Graham, R. T. Barlow, Don Barlow and R. Barlow 5/5. No. 6, 5 birds, div. F. Glover, Percy Barlow, A. J. Morris, D. Young and Don Barlow 5/5. No. 7, 5 birds, points, M. Atkinson 15 pts. No. 8, 5 birds, div. R. Barlow, D. Young and Dr. Martin 5/5. No. 9. miss-out, R. Glover 6/6.

JERILDERIE. (N.S.W.)—September 3 .- The Jerilderie Gun Club conducted an open shoot on Saturday, September 3, when there was an attendance of 28 shooters, including 10 Melbourne representatives.

The day was pleasant, and an enjoyable afternoon was spent.

The Ernie Clark trophies were decided. That for back-markers was won by "Oigle," of Melbourne, while George Dowdle won the first trophy for 12 yarders, and J. Collier the second, after a shoot-off.

Results: No. 1 event, 5 birds, won outright by "Pampas," Melbourne, with 5 straight.

The Ernie Clark Trophies: Open event won outright by "Oigle," Melbourne, 10 straight. R. Ferris and "Pampas," equal 2nd, 8/10.

12 yarders' trophies: G. Dowdle 1st 7/10, W. Clark, T. Falkiner and J. Collier each 6/10 tied for second.

J. Collier won the shoot-off.

No. 3 event, 5 birds, won outright by A. Weir, Melbourne, with 5 straight. No. 4 event, 5 birds, won outright by J. Collier, with 5 straight. No. 5 event, shot off 26 yards, won outright by R. Ferris. No. 6 event, shot

off 26 yards, R. Ferris and C. Bound divided. No. 7 event, shot off 26 vards, won by J. Hedland.

ATHERTON (Nth. Q'ld) - The Atherton Club staged the North birds for the event. The tie shoot Queensland Mixed Birds Championship on August 13. The shoot extended over two days. Many visitors tended over two days. Many visitors attended, including the Launceston shooter, Neil Frith. Results were: 13th—No. 1, 5 birds, single-barrel, div. M. Johnson (Yarwun), D. DeLai (Ravenshoe), N. Frith (Launceston) and R. Merrin 5/5. No. 2, North Queensland Mixed Birds Championship, were outwight by Mol. Johnson ship, won outright by Mel Johnson 19/20, from club president, Jack Page 24/28, and Doug Nasser (Barron Valley) 21/28 3rd. 14th—No. 1, 5 birds, div. Mel Johnson, J. Page, D. Nasser, Colin Fletcher (Roma) 5/5. No. 2 (same), div. M. Johnson, D. Peberdy (Townsville), Doug Nasser, C. R. Fletcher and H. Nasser 5/5. No. 3, 5 pairs, double-rise, outright to Neil Frith 5/5 pairs. No. 4, 5 birds, S.B., div. M. Johnson, D. Peberdy, J. Connors, N. Frith 5/5. No. 5, £30 handicap, points scoring.

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C. J. COLLEDGE, Hon. Secretary, 12 Adler Grove, Merlynston, N.14. won by "Lofty" Young 53/57 points, from G. Kleinhauss (Atherton) 50/57 (2), and P. Mazzer 49/54 (3). No. 6, 5 birder, from centre track, M. Johnson 11/11, R. Winn (Home Hill) 10/11, N. R. Stevens 8/9 (3). A final event under Deauville Doubles conditions was div. J. Gerber-R. Winn, D. DeLai-N. R. Stevens, and Jack Page-Kleinhauss, each 5/5.

ELTHAM — September 17. — The club's double-headed programme attracted a big attendance of shooters. The shoot started at 9.0 a.m. with the Diamond Valley Double-barrel Championship. This went outright to J. A. McCraith 20/20; Vern Dudley was runner-up 33/35, and "Pampas" 31/35 3rd. 13/14 yarders trophy went to A. Smith 18/20. 12 yarder to R. J. Squire 17/20. A \$50 handicap followed; George Biggs and W. Wager tied over the 20 scheduled was agreed to as best of five. This resulted in one of the longest shootsoff seen on a metropolitan ground for some time. Biggs off 23 yards, and Wager off 14 yards, provided a remarkable contrast. Wager had a

long "walk back" after each shot. The shoot-off showed Wager failing on his 29th and 45th birds, and Biggs on his 30th, 45th and 48th. The shoot-off figures were: Wager, 12112, 11201, 11221, 11211, 11210, 11111; Biggs, 11111, 11110, 11111, 11111, 11110, 11011. Final scores were: Wager 48/50, Biggs 47/50. A tie shoot for third resulted: "Bruino" "Double-H" 22/35. 13/14 yarder, "Glaxo" 18/20. 12 yarder, J. Harris 15/20.

TASMANIAN (Launceston, Tas.)
—The Tasmanian Gun Club's double-barrel championship at St. Leonards last month was won by A. Poxon with 20 out of 20. C. Poxon, 19 out of 20, was second, and R. Redpath, Hobart, 22 out of 25, third.

Conditions were very bad, and in the circumstances the shooters showed excellent form and good scores were obtained.

Results: Double barrel championship, 20 birds from 18 yards, A. Poxon 20/20 (1), C. Poxon 19/20 (2), R. Redpath, Hobart, 22/25, after shoot-off with C. Young (3).

### GOULBURN GUN CLUB

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Five bird sweepstake, div. A. Poxon, L. Fisher (Hobart), T. Cannon (Hobart), 5/5. Others: C. Poxon, J. Tyquin, M. Munnings, R. Powell (Cressy), J. Hart, 4/5.

A 7-bird round of skeet proved

A 7-bird round of skeet proved most interesting and popular with the visiting shooters. The event was divided between C. Poxon, J. Neenan, R. Morgan (Hobart), R. Powell, J. Hart, R. Redpath, C. Young, A. Barnes, 5/7.

RAND (N.S.W.)—The Rand Club held its official opening on August 31. The day was a great success, shooters being present from Barellan, Burrumbuttock, Henty, Brocklesby, Holbrook, Mullengandra, Wangaratta, Urana and Albury, plus a good muster of local club members. George Catling, of Albury, performed the opening ceremony, and his wife was equal to winning the opening event with the only five straight.

The organisation was excellent. The club arranged a first-class dinner in the evening, when all the trophies won during the day were presented. Results were: No. 1, 5 bird sweep-stake, won outright by Mrs. G. Catling 5/5. No. 2, £25 handicap, at 15 birds, the winner was A. J. McMaster, of Burrumbuttock 15/15 straight (one second barrel), from Emil Alberts (Barellan) 18/19, and W. C. (Bill) O'Brien, of Holbrook, third 17/19. Ray Matthews (Bowna) and McMaster divided first money in the second £25 handicap 15/15, McMaster winning the shoot-off for the trophy. Emil Alberts was third. A Deauville Doubles contest was won by G. Catling-McMaster 8/8 pairs, from Flynn-Robertson 7/8. A double-rise event went to P. Shipard (Brocklesby), 7 pts.

ST. GEORGE (Q'ld)—The two-day shoot on August 20 and 21 was well attended. The club has now laid down concrete tracks, and competitors indicated warm approval of the new developments provided for the benefit of members and visiting shooters. Results were: 20th—No. 1, 5 bird

# FOOTSCRAY GUN CLUB

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sweepstake, H. T. Thompson 9/9. No. 2. 15 birds (D. R. Cameron silver tea service trophy), won by H. T. (Boyce) Siddons 15/15, from S. J. O'Shea (club secretary) 18/20, and R. sweepstake, div. D. R. Cameron and Thomas 17/20. No. 3, 3 bird S.B. N. Bassett (Roma) 9/9. No. 4, Balonne District Single-barrel Championship (16 yards), N. Bassett (Roma) 23/25 (1st, £40), H. T. Thompson (St. George) 22/25 (2nd, £7), and K. Cameron (Roma) 21/25 (3rd, £3). No. 5, 5 bird D.B. sweepstake, div. V. Eather (Boggabri) and S. J. O'Shea 9/9. No. 6, 5 bird sweepstake, div. H. T. Siddons and J. Dyson 8/10. No. 7 (same), div. D. R. Cameron and Joe Bayliss (St. George) 9/9. 21st-No. 1, 5 bird, D.B., div. Murray Cameron and R. Thomas 11/11. No. 2, £50 open handicap, points scoring (2 and 1), won outright by Wal Eather (Boggabri) 39/40 (points), (£40), D. Livingston (Camurra, N.S.W.) 38/40 (2), Newton Thomas (Sydney) 36/40 (3). No. 3, Balonne District doublebarrel championship, 18 yards (first prize, J. M. Bauman Cup and £20 added), S. J. O'Shea (St. George) 23/25 (1), D. Livingston 22/25 (2), and Nev Bassett 20/25 (3). No. 4, miss-out sweepstake (centre track), Keith Cameron (Roma) 8/8, D. R. Cameron and H. T. Siddons div. 7/8 (2nd). No. 5, sweepstake (winner take all), div. D. Livingston and H. B. Wade 9/9.

COLAC (V.)-Seasoned trapshots consider that the display of clay-bird shooting given by Eric Ball at Colas on Saturday, 17/9/49, when he won the double-barrel championship, was the best ever seen in this district.

Each of the 25 birds which gained him the title was broken with the first barrel, the shot charge being right in the centre of the target.

One of the largest fields of clay shooters seen at the club for some time competed in the event, which was shot at 20 birds from the 16 vards rise.

Only two shooters obtained a clean score-Eric Ball and the promising young shooter, Jack Ross. In the tie shoot, Ball broke his next five releases, while Jack missed his fourth, to obtain second place. Both shooters were loudly applauded for their fine shooting, and received congratulations from all sides.

In deciding third place, six shooters with scores of 18/20 had to shoot-off. They were C. Romeo, G. Simpson, D. Costorphan, C. Grist (last year's winner), H. Eldridge, and W. Arnold. Shooting off at groups of five birds, Romeo missed his third, Simpson his fifth, Costorphan his eighth, and Grist his tenth. Arnold and Eldridge were even at the twentieth round without having missed, and after Eldridge, who was shooting first, had shot his twenty-third release, a breakage occurred in a vital part of the trap, rendering it unusable.

In view of this, Arnold and Eldridge were adjudged as equal third, and presented with trophies cach.

Eric Gaylard secured the trophy for the shooter returning the highest score of those whose club handicap is 12/13 yards.

Main results: Event 1, 5 bird Main results: Event 1, 5 bird sweep., divided by B. Hickey, F. Eldridge (Senr.), W. Arnold, G. Crosse, J. Hunt, J. McCarthy, E. Gaylard, G. Simpson, T. Shelton, J. Ross—all 5/5. Event 2, championship, 20 birds, E. R. Ball 25/25 (1), J. Ross 23/24 (2). Third divided by H. Eldridge 41/43, and W. Arnold H. Eldridge 41/43, and W. Arnold 38/40. Then followed C. Grist 27/30. D. Costorphan 25/28, G. Simpson 22/25, and C. Romeo 22/25, Best scoring 12/13 yard shooter, E. Gaylard 14/20.

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Best breaks were: E. R. Ball 29 (all first barrel), J. Ross 28, H. Eldridge 27, W. Arnold 21.

PEAK HILL (N.S.W.)-The last August shoot at Peak Hill was well supported, and some really good shooting was witnessed. The main event, the Western Districts of N.S.W. Single-barrel Championship, was won by H. Cross, of Gilgandra 17/20, from K. Cross (a fellow clubmate) 16/20, and J. L. Elliott (Parkes) 18/23 3rd. The best 12 yarder was the youngest shooter on the ground, C. Elliott, 17/22. C. Elliott, J. L. Elliott and the Dubbo shooter, W. J. McPhee, finished with 15/20 each. The series was conducted over two days, and the remaining results were: First day (morning only)—No. 1, 3 bird sweep-stake, div. F. Elliott and W. Woods (Peak Hill) 4/4. No. 2, miss-out sweepstake, div. R. Sharkey and J. Lindeay (Dubba) 12/12 No. 4 days on the sweepstake in the same of the same Lindsay (Dubbo) 13/13. No. 4, trophy shoot (12-year-old winner), C. Elliott 13/13. No. 5, miss-out, div. W. McPhee and E. Brice (Canowindra) 10/10. Second day-No. 1, 5 bird sweepstake, div. Clem Corcoran and R. Sharkey 9/9. No. 2, trophy shoot, C. Corcoran 12/12. No. 3, trophy shoot, "Sleet" (H. Cross) 11/12 (the championship came in here). No. 4, trophy shoot, K. Cross 24/24, Fred Brook (Gilgandra, Association Vice-President) 23/24, H. Cross 23/24, and C. Corcoran 23/24,

YALLOURN-MORWELL CLUB (V.) -The local club held a monster charity shoot in aid of the Red Cross Branch, 48 shooters attending. Contests were run off in two grades, "A" and "B." "A" grade scores were:
No. 1, sweepstake, div. G. Wilson, M. Atkinson (Sale), M. Gardiner (Coburg), J. K. Venables (Ashburton), M. McCrabb 5/6; trophy to M. Atkinson 5/6. No. 2, sweepstake, div. L. Bourbaud (Sale), M. Atkinson, R. Glover (Sale), F. Graham 6/6; trophy to Atkinson 8/8, R. Glover 8/9. No. 3, div. B. Morrison, H. Hare, H. Guyatt, L. Robinson (Sale), and A. Fraser 6/6; trophy to H. Hare (Morwell) 16/17. No. 4, div. H. Hare, R. Glover, F. Graham

grade—No. 1, C. Budge 6/6 and spoon. No. 2, B. Wilson, E. Burnett 6/6; trophy to E. Burnett 10/10, B. Williams 9/10. No. 3, E. Brinsmead and trophy 6/6. No. 4, V. Gust and C. Budge 6/6; trophy, Budge 8/9.

ROMA (Q'ld)-The club's big twoday meeting in late August was one of the best and most successful ever staged by the Roma Club. Fields averaged between 40 and 50 for each event. Keith Cameron, Roma President, maintained the great form he had displayed throughout this season by winning the Queensland singlebarrel championship, 22/25. meeting was resplendent with some remarkable break sequences. Vic Eather, of Boggabri, ran up a string of 97 straight and was just a bit unlucky to miss out on the century score. Murray Cameron returned a break of 51, and Keith Cameron held to the 50 straight, his second break of over 50 in the past few months. He gathered a break of 60 in the International Match at East Burwood in March last. Roma Club is claiming Vic Eather's break as the Australian record, and it would appear the claim is well founded. Certainly since the formation of the A.C.P.T.S.A. no shooter has returned a break into the 90's. All the scores were checked and re-checked, and were recorded by the club's official scorer, C. M. ("Pop") Fletcher, and the shoot was under the supervision of Roma legal attorney, D. M. Pack, considered to be one of the best referees in Southern Queensland. Results were: August 27 and 28—No. 1, 5 birds, D.B., 16 possibles, tie shoot, div. M. Cameron (Roma), G. Akers (Charleville), J. W. Scott (Roma) 8/8. No. 2, £50 handicap, 25 birds, points scoring, tie shoot, M. Cameron 89/90, K. Bassett (Roma) 86/90, R. Pegler (Charleville) 73/75, H. Rothwell (Roma) and V. Eather 72/75 each. The Roseneath Cup, shot in conjunction with the £50 handicap, won by Roma (417 points) from Charleville (391 points). No. 3, Roma Club Championship Cup (presented by Mr. J. M. Bauman), 20 birds, D.B., from 16 yards, 5 possibles, tie shoot, Vic Eather (Boggabri) 55/55, K. Cameron 50/51, C. Mitchell (Roma) 34/35. No. div. H. Hare, R. Glover, F. Graham 4, 3 birds, D.B., 28 possibles, tie 9/9; trophy to Glover 10/10. "B" shoot, H. T. (Boyce) Siddins (St.

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J. BIENVENU President. A. F. JOHNSON, Hon. Secretary, 69 Victoria St., Melbourne, C.1. Phone: FJ 2760 George) and V. Eather 6/6, H. Rothwell, E. Parry (Charleville), K. Cameron and J. Raleigh (Clara Creek) div. third 5/6. No. 5, 1949 Queensland single-barrel championship, won by Keith Cameron (Roma) 22/25, J. Raleigh (Clara Creek) 21/25, V. Eather 25/30 (3), Joe Bayliss (St. George) 28/35 (4). 12 yarders' trophy div. N. West (Clara Creek) and S. Parry (Charleville) 16/25. 13 yarder, div. S. J. O'Shea (St. George) and Dr. W. Feather (Roma) 19/25. 14 yarder, J. D. Bassett (Roma) 17/25. No. 6, missout, D.B., div. G. Mitchell (Mitchell), V. Eather (Boggabri), S. McLean (Clara Creek) and K. Cameron (Roma) 6/6. Vic Eather's performance of 97 straight will be placed before the Executive Committee of the A.C.P.T.S.A. at its next meeting for final approval as the Australian break record.

LEETON (N.S.W.)—A most successful shoot was held on the show grounds enclosure on September 17, when the Riverina Walk-up Championship was the main attraction. Splendid weather favoured the fix-

ture and the attendance was good, over 40 shooters competing during the day, with 38 in the championship. Tom Whillans, of Narrandera, wothe championship, stopping 13/20. Second placing went to Garry Daly, of Deniliquin, after a long tie shoot with Don Muir (Griffith). Daly's score was 23/35 to Muir's 22/35 (third). The 12 yarders' trophy went to the bright young Griffith sportsman, Phil Duchatel, who defeated the local shooter, N. Rosewarn, in a shoot-off. The club is particularly pleased with the support given it by shooters at this fixture, and officials have requested that a special "thank you" be extended to all competitors and those who assisted in the management of the series.

ECHUCA (V.)—The Echuca Gun Club held another successful fixture on Saturday, September 17, when conditions were excellent. Shooters were present from Nanneella, Bamawm, Bamawm Ext., Tocumwal, Tongala, Lockington and Melbourne.

High gun went to A. Rickards with 23 straight, and he also finished with a score of 39/41.

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Other good scores were: G. McDonald 37/41, John Bryant (Melbourne) 25/28, T. Cherry 24/28, W. Cakebread 31/34.

Results of sweeps and trophies:
No. 1 event, divided by W. Cakebread, L. Gibson, W. Stagg and A. Rickards 5/5. No. 2 event, singlebarrel, div. by A. Rickards, T. Cherry and W. Cakebread 5/5. No. 3, trophy, 10 birds and also 12 yards trophy, won by G. McDonald 15/15; sweep div. G. McDonald and A. Rickards; 12 yard trophy won by E. McHale 16/18. No. 4 event, trophy and sweep., sweep divided by R. Koch, G. McDonald, W. Lyons, H. White, F. Fitzpatrick, John Bryant (Melbourne), W. Cakebread. A very fine performance was recorded by H. White who, in his second attempt at shooting clays, won the trophy with 12/12. No. 5 event, miss out of the fence, won outright by A. Rickards 11/11.

CHARTERS TOWERS (Q'ld)—The recent two-day meeting of the Charters Towers Club in Central Queensland was the best in the history of the club's activities. The attendance of the public was a record. The main event, the North Queensland single-barrel championship, was won by Harold Nasser. of Atherton, after a shoot-off with Jack Brownson (Charters Towers), F. Blackman (Townsville), Roy Knuch (Charters Towers). G. Archer and Earl Baker won minor trophies attached. First day results—No. 1, 5 birds. sweepstake, div. D. Beck (Ayr), J. Carrington (Townsville), G. Archer (Charters Towers). No. 2 (same). div. G. Archer, D. Beck, J. Smith (Home Hill) and Sam Ball (Powlathanga). The championship followed. No. 4, £10 handicap, div. H. Nasser, D. Peberdy, Sam Ball, Percy McDonald, Bill Archer and Kevin Archer 10/10. No. 5, 5 birds, div. Norm Crago. G. Winn (Ayr), J. Carrington, Fred Blackman and George Archer. No. 6, Deauville Doubles, 3 pairs, won by P. McDonald-G. Winn after shoot-off, 8/8. No. 7, 5 birds, S.B., div. W. Carrington, Geo. Archer, Roy Knuth and Sam Ball, 5/5. No. 8, 3 birds. Second day—No. 1, 5 birds, div. D. Peberdy (Townsville), P. McDonald, Bob Sweeney and Sam Ball, 5/5. No. 2, 430 handicap, 20

### TEN YEARS AGO

Despite the declaration of war in September, 1939, trap shooting went along almost unhindered for several months after this momentous decision. months after this momentous decision. October, 1939, was particularly busy in Victorian shooting. George Barber (Warrnambool) partnered by "Duxbac" won the Victorian Deauville doubles championship at Coburg, 20/20, outright. Jack Bryant won the Victorian double-rise title at Seymour to make his ninth title for the year. to make his ninth title for the year. Les Schilling, with a score of 19/25, won the Commonwealth walk-up championship at Blackburn and "Eskdale" (Bill Robinson) returned a break of 43 straight at the inaugural meeting of the Nobel Club on the Bentleigh grounds. Mention of the Nobel Club at Bentleigh recalls that in October, 1939, the Victorian Clay Target Club and the Nobel Club Target Club and the Nobel Club merged and took over the first-named club's shooting grounds at Bentleigh — the clubs were the pioneer clay pigeon shooting clubs in Australia. Office-Bearers were: President, Harry Burrows; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. J. R. Schutt and Lew Bertram; Committee, Messrs. L. L. Schilling, G. C. Rutledge, Reg Hawke, G. C. Hayler, W. R. Bloomfield and W. Robinson. Official Club Referees were Fred Byers, Stan Dunster and Tom Saville, K. G. Rice was Acting Secretary.

birds, S.B., Earl Baker 20/20, second Sam Ball, third Lofty Young. No. 3, 5 birds, S.B., div. F. Blackman, Geo. Archer, J. Carrington, P. McDonald, Kev and Bill Archer, and Jack Brownson, 5/5. No. 4, Deauville Doubles, won by J. Gerber-Jim Smith (Home Hill). No. 5, £10 handicap, S.B., won by Fred Blackman after tie shoot.

6, Deauville Doubles, 3 pa'rs, won by P. McDonald-G. Winn after shootoff, 8/8. No. 7, 5 birds, S.B., div. W. Carrington, Geo. Archer, Roy Knuth and Sam Ball, 5/5. No. 8, 3 birds. Second day—No. 1. 5 birds, div. D. Peberdy (Townsville), P. McDonald, Bob Sweeney and Sam Ball, 5/5. No. 2, £30 handicap, 20

Benalla (V.), (Sept. 17).—North-Eastern Double Rise Championship, H. J. McMasters (1), G. Twamley (2), J. H. Lodge (Benalla), (3). Other Events: No. 1 Sweepstake, G. Walker (Wangaratta), 2/2 (1), No. 2. 5 birds, A. Roberts (St. James) 8/8, No. 3 (same), A. Roberts 20/21 (1), G. Walker 19/21 (2).

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Goulburn Club
will decide the
Goulburn District
Single - barrel
championship,
followed by a £40
handicap. The
latter event will
be divided 60%,
30% and 10%.

with a trophy for the best 12/14 yarder not winning any other trophy. Ten birds will be the course of the event

Shooters throughout Australia extend sympathy to Association vice-president of many years' standing, Harry Watts, of Coburg, who has been in ill-health for some months past. Unable to attend meetings, Harry still retains his interest in the sport from his bed room. As many know, Harry is one of Australia's ace referees—one who puts everything he has got into the job for the benefit of shooting competitors. See you soon, back in top gear, Harry! is the wish of all. St. James Gun Club will shoot the Victorian Walk-up Championship on its lead cheating grands as Maryer.

St. James Gun Club will shoot the Victorian Walk-up Championship on its local shooting grounds on November 12. A first-class programme has been arranged, including a £25 handicap off Association marks. Alan Church, club secretary, will answer all enquiries. Full details are as advertised in this issue.

Hobart Club will stage the Tasmanian Walk-up Championship at its spacious Brighton (Tas.) grounds on October 22. A £50 handicap will follow the championship. This type of event is always attractive to Tasmanian game shooters, and a big attendance is certain. Association patron, good shot and top-ranking sportsman, Major-General W. Bridgeford, is a likely entrant. In walk-up competitions shooters and club officials should remember that "the gun may be held in any position consistent with safety."

Hay Gun Club (N.S.W.) will shoot the Western Riverina double-barrel on October 29, and the Western Riverina walk-up title on November 12. Shortage of supplies has mitigated against the club disposing of these events earlier in the season.

Dick Wightman, former Association Chairman, had rather a "peacock like" strut at the Camberwell meeting on September 3, especially after winning the first event on the programme outright—at double-rise. He uses the shooting "nom-deplume" of "Dick" and we are quite sure that he would have "bought-up" for all on the slightest pretence. The reason—two days previously he joined the legion of grandfathers. Several have dubbed him "Grandfather Dick" since September 3, but whatever he is called Dick enjoys it and, like the great sportsman he is, already has details in hand for ensuring the first grandchild is a "better shot than Dick anyway."

Following his nine years as President of the Coburg Club (he retired this year) club members felt that some tangible recognition should be given to Stan Cole for his worthy service. At the distribution of prizes following the Commonwealth walk-up meeting at Coburg grounds, the new President, Jack McCraith, handed him a specially engraved gun with case.

Colin Fletcher and his co-administrators at Roma have won warm congratulation from visiting shooters for what has been described as "a wonderful two days shooting — doubt if better shooting has been seen anywhere in Australia." It was at this fixture in late August that break records were smashed with unusual regularity.

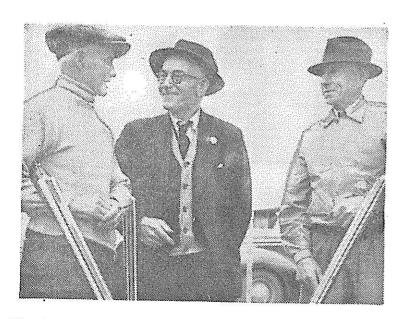
The South-Western Queensland walk-up championship has, at the request of the Mitchell (Q.) Club, been transferred to the newly formed Clara Creek Club (Q.). Joe Raleigh and Jeff Page, President and Secretary at Clara Creek have welcomed this change over, it is considered that it will give their organisation a splendid "kick along." The A.C.P.T.S.A. willingly agreed.

Mel Johnson, of Yarwin (Qld.), had a field two days of competition shooting at Atherton (N. Qld.) during August. He won the main event on the programme, the North Queensland mixed birds title and divided five other events. A good sportsman Mel, he journeyed over 2,000 miles last March to compete in the Association's big fixtures at East Burwood. In the process of getting

to Melbourne, the air port authorities off-loaded his gun at Brisbane and he arrived, with full admiration of the beauties of approaching a big city by air at night for the first time, minus his most important attachment. After a series of rush telegrams and the like the gun duly arrived in time for him to take his place on the mark on that occasion. He reckons he's coming south again.

A new gun club is likely to be formed at Ravenshoe, North Queensland. The interest at Ravenshoe has been helped by the support given by Jack Page and his boys from Atherton, who took a trap to Ravenshoe recently and provided the local sportsmen with a great day's shooting.

Another new club report comes from Daylesford—the main town of the famous mineral springs country in Victoria. The Secretary is a former member of the Yallourn-Morwell Club.



This trio of veteran gunmen were prominent at the Tasmanian gun clubs' State title meeting at St. Leonards last month. Their combined ages are 218 years. L. to R.—W. Bennett 77, of Cressy; T. Casey, 66, and W. Brett, 75, La Trobe.

The "People's Journal," a Scottish production, handed in by Dave Watson, discussing the 1949 International meeting at Dundee mentions the following:

"Amongst the eighty guns that competed in the International clay pigeon shoot, some of them costing the price of a motor car, the cheapest, the price of a motor car, the cheapest, and probably the oldest, registered the only 'possible'." (This apparently refers to the Scottish team only.) "With it, Mr. William Fenton, game-keeper at Balintore, whose home is on a hilltop at the entrance to Glenisla, shot 25 birds with 25 shots. His total kills for the day were 96/100. He was top scorer for Scotland and third highest of all the eighty star shots who competed. The gun is packed with pieces of tinfoil to tighten up the worn parts of the mechanism, that he bought some years ago for £3/10/-. One member of the Scottish team described it as 'the luckiest gun in Scotland; since he got it it has won more aggregates than anybody else." But Mr. Fenton would do no more than admit, It's an auld yin, but a good yin.' One day, at Kirriemuir, Mr. Peter Campbell, proprietor of a garage at which he called, asked Mr. Fenton if he was in need of a gun. 'As soon as I got it in my hands I knew it suited me,' said Mr. Fen-ton. 'I asked him what he wanted for it, and when he said £3/10/-, I paid him on the spot and took the gun away with me. I think he was glad to get it out of the way." (This reminds us of the gun used by the late Lew Bertram when he won a pre-war Champion of Champions title, stopping 66 straight, with a £7/10/- buy—Leo Mills, Edo).

A new star has arrived in young 12-year-old C. Elliott, of Peak Hill, a member of the well known shooting Elliott family in that district. The youngster, whom few would expect to be able to hold a 12-gauge weapon at 12 years of age, won a trophy shoot on the first day of the Peak Hill (N.S.W.) meeting in late August, grassing 13/13 to outstay the field. The following day on the same grounds the young sportsman finished fourth in the Western Districts of N.S.W. single-barrel championship and gained the special

12 yarder's prize with the excellent score (single-barrel only) of 17/22. It would seem that this bright boy has a brilliant future over the traos and we will look forward to bigger things from him in the future. Exorts are being made to secure his picture for reproduction in this publication.

It is encouraging to notice Eric Ball, of Colac, coming back to his pre-war form at inanimate targets, as was exemplified in his remarkable effort on the Colac (V.) enclosure recently when he stopped 25 straight, all first barrels, to win the Colac Club premier championship for 1949. His break for the day was 29. Eric was first noticed among clay shooters in 1939. He tried his hand at the Champion of Champions meeting in that year and won his way into the International Team. He was then fairly young in the sport and naturally his form in the big 100 birder was not as good as he has given since. Should he resume the sport seriously he would be a serious contender for top flight honours in big Association contests.

Mention of Colac Club recalls that President, Theo Norman, is gradually regaining good health and is again taking up his perennial live-wire activities in the chief executive office of the club. Theo has had several months of indifferent health and it is pleasing to wish him well and a quick return to best form, both in health and over the traps.

In this issue we publish an interesting letter written by the Lindfield, N.S.W. veteran, Fred Werner. Mr. Werner, whom we mentioned in last month's publication as being recently successful at the Hornsby meeting, advises that we described him as "being 85 years of age, I am only 80." We hasten to correct this incorrect impression and hope that we will still be writing him up among the winners at 85 and 95.

"Jock" Wilson's, President of A.C.P.T.S.A., impression of Day Dream Island holiday: "I believe there is plenty of fish there—but there is also plenty of water for them to swim in."

Moe Gun Club (V.) is about to go into action in the rapidly expanding Central Gippsland area in Vic-

# Finley Clay Bird Club

(Affiliated A.C.P.T.S.A.)

# N.S. W. Double Rise

-on-

October 22nd, 1949

PROGRAMME:

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# No. 2 N.S.W. State Double Rise Championship

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The Echuca Club will hold its first major championship event on November 19 when the Murray Valley double-barrel championship, followed by a \$50 handicap, will be bound to attract a good muster of local and visiting shooters. Secretary Albert Rickards is keen to make this a great day and put "Echuca right on the map" in the trapshooting sphere. Shooting will commence at 10 a.m. and luncheon will be provided on the ground. The winning trophy in the championship is a 12 guinea canteen of cutlery. Full details are as advertised in this issue.

Tom Whillans, who won the Riverina walk-up title at Leeton recently, has been an official of the Narrandera Club for many years. Tom is somewhat restricted in his shooting activities. His business duties frequently take him away on long-distance carrying work and this makes his attendances at shoots infrequent. With it all, however, there are few better shots in the Riverina when Tom is "seeing 'em."

Pirron Yallock Club (V.), the new club on the west side of Colac on the Princes Highway just before the start of the famous Stoney Rises, held its official opening on September 24. Association President, J. M. (Jock) Wilson, made a special journey down to carry out the official opening ceremony, following the invitation of George Simpson, President of Pirron Yallock. "Jock" maintained his unruffled record of "breaking it with the first" by grassing the first official bird from the back mark of 20 yards with his first barrel. The hospitality extended to shooters and visitors was first

class and Pirron Yallock should have big attendances at its shoots in the future. With Colac, Irrewillipe, Alvie, Yeo and other clubs adjacent the district is assured of plenty of good clay pigeon shooting.

Leeton Club (N.S.W.), advertises a special shoot on November 5th—a club fixture. Trophies have been donated and competitors taking part in every event will shoot at 40 birds for the day. Aub. Davis, whose handiwork in producing trophies of unusual appeal, has made another of his famous clocks, which carry the clay pigeon design. A fifteen-bird event will have all trophies sponsored by the Rice Equalisation Association, first will be valued at 18 guineas. The Leeton Club will also shoot the Commonwealth Skeet title on December 31.

Colac Club (V.), will shoot the Victorian Double-rise championship, plus the Western Districts of Victoria single-barrel title on Saturday, December 3. Full programme will be advertised in next issue. Sale Club originally intended to shoot the Gippsland single-barrel title on October 15. This has now been deferred until December 10. Hay Club (N.S.W.), is arranging for two championship meetings when Western Riverina titles will possibly be decided Details are as advertised in this issue.

Camberwell Club is holding a special Charity Shoot on October 29, and this will be followed on the same evening with the "White Flyer Championship," shot at ten birds under night light conditions. This will be the first time night shooting has been staged in Melbourne since about 1937 or 1938, when the late Alec. Watkins and his assistant, the late Jim Wildman, conducted night clay pigeon at White City Dog Racing Tracks for a brief period.

Foster Club, in Victoria's Gippsland district, has re-affiliated. The President is C. G. Steele.

Appreciative thanks are extended to John Neenan, the Tasmanian Club's Launceston correspondent, for his energy and interest in securing from the "Mercury" newspaper matts revealing pictures of Ted Casey (66), W. Bennett (77) and W. Brett (Devonport) (75). Pictures appear in this issue. The grand old sportsmen all competed in the Tasmanian single-barrel title at St. Leonards recently.

Competitors and visitors at the Eltham Club's shoot on September 17 got plenty for their entertainment. The club went to great trouble to provide a first class programme of events. First the Diamond Valley double-barrel championship in the morning, followed by a special barbecue luncheon - when hot dishes were served, plus a plentiful supply of liquid refreshment, plus an extensive playground for children which included a special "Punch and Judy" show. The £50 handicap decided during the afternoon brought forth some excellent shooting and the tie shoot between George Biggs and W. Wager was worth going to see. This went to the 50th round before Wager was declared the winner. Biggs appeared to have it "in the bag" on two occasions but missed the crucial bird.

It is pleasing to notice that good sportsman, Jack Headland, again in winning brackets at the Coburg meeting on September 17. Jack is one who thoroughly enjoys his shooting sport and has a particular flair for visiting the Riverina districts. It has been said that he knows "every duck on the Mulwala Canal"

-at any rate he does know something of Melbourne's milk supply problems, with emphasis on the whole milk section of the healthful fluid.

Vern Dudley, Camberwell Club's astute administrator, shot on two grounds with success on September 17. He attended the Eltham shoot on the morning of that day, secured the runner-up trophy in the Diamond Valley title event, 31/35, behind Jack McCraith, and then journeyed across to his home club at North Balwyn in the afternoon, winning the 5 pairs auto and driven, 8/9 pairs.

Finley (N.S.W.) Club will shoot the New South Wales double-rise championship on October 22. Full details are as advertised in this issue. A £25 handicap is included to follow the title event and an entertainment has been arranged for visitors on the following day.

A new club is contemplated at Warwick (Q.). The new group has already enquired regarding affiliation and registration of shooters. Warwick was a strong centre for competent shooters in pre-war years and it should again find favour with the formation of the new club.

The Cressy Gun Club (Tas.) will shoot the Tasmanian mixed birds championship on November 5, northern districts of Tasmania doublebarrel on December 3, and the northern districts of Tasmania mixed birds on December 26. Cressy Club is progressing well and its members are combining well to ensure its prominence among clubs on the Apple Isle.

Footscray Club will shoot the metropolitan walk-up championship on October 22. Jim O'Brien is now acting as Secretary at Footscray in place of Frank Litchfield. Frank. however, maintains his interest in the club by co-operating with Jim and assisting with correspondence. Jim O'Brien shot, at one time, with the Albury Club and was originally registered with the shooting name of "Day"-he has now dropped the nom-de-plume.

Yallourn-Morwell Gun Club wil! shoot the Central Gippsland clay pigeon shooting championship for 1949 on a date to be arranged before the end of the year.

A recent new affiliation is the Solferino (Young) Clay Pigeon Gun Club (N.S.W.). Although we did not notice Geo. Bell's name on the cheque payment for affiliation, it would appear close to a certainty that the logically minded George is somewhere in the background of the club's formation. George won International honours in the Australian team in 1948 - he was not a contender in 1949 - 1950 is likely to be his next appearance on the International tracks.

(K.I.) will shoot the King Island double-barrel championship on either the club's hardworking Secretary, George Turner, "everything is swell tests. The event was shot on Septemover here." Any mainland or Tasber 24 on the Footscray Club's manian shooters contemplating a grounds, No. 2 Tottenham.

trip to the Island club would be assured of a first class welcome.

Intending competitors at the Coburg Club's cup meeting are again reminded that the series opens on October 29 with the Victorian doublebarrel championship and a £50 handicap. This will be followed on Cup Day, November 1, with the Coburg Grand Prix as the main contest. Good trophies, as well as satisfactory cash awards, are available to winners and it would appear that a big attendance reward will favour the club. The full details of the complete programme are as advertised in this issue.

The much discussed "challenge match" between J. A. McCraith and J. Bryant resulted in a win for the King Island Gun Club. at Currie first-named, 89 to 85. Bryant's K.I.) will shoot the King Island break of 27 was the best for the contest. The scores are not up to November 19 or 26. According to the standard shown by these two shooters in major Association con-

# Cressy Gum

(Tasmania) (Affiliated A.C.P.T.S.A.)

5th November, 1949

1 - 30 P.M. Sharp

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3728 Halbisch, A. J. (Gan-	10	3794 Reynolds, R. (St. James) 477 Richardson, G. (Hobart)	13
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3428 Harrison, J. (Sale)	15	1932 Scott, W. "Bruino"	1
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196 Headland, J. H. (Coburg)	16	3131 Smith, A. (Hobert)	$\tilde{1}4$
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3818 Kean, W. P. (Echuca) 3762 Kelso, J. (Atherton)	14	2796 Stewart, J. (St. James)	13
3559 Kleinhauss	14	3860 Thompson, S. (Aust.)	14
3618 Lowe, A. (Hobart)	12	3266 Wager, W. (Coburg)	16
3182 Lowe, A. J. (Hobart)	13	1638 Whittle, A. (Aust.) 3904 Wise, J. E. (Wangaratta)	13 15
3620 Lowe, C. J. (Hobart)	10	2872 Wright D. (Wongabri)	14
2811 Lupp, H. (Bathurst)	15	3680 Young, L. (Charters	
3823 Lyons, W. (Echuca)	12	Towers)	13

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1055 Adams, A. (Tasmanian)	12	4055	Lavery, B. (Ouyen),	
4041 Austin, G. (Cavendish) .		4103	Lisle, J. (Yallourn)	
4058 Anderson, D. (Ouyen)		749	Livingston, D. (St.	
4105 Baillie, C. H. (Yallourn)			George)	17
4042 Baird, A. (Cavendish)		4037	Long, F. (Cavendish)	
4080 Bell, Des. (Peak Hill)		4069	Loxton, Ernie (Ouven).	
4063 Bell, M. (Goulburn)		4078	Lucas, D. (Leeton)	12
4006 Bibby, James (Hargrave	25000000	4092	Male, Allan (Australian)	12
Park)	12	4068	Marshman, G. A.	
4046 Brereton, W. (Caven-			(Ouyen)	
dish)		4038	Mayfield, D. (Cavendish)	
4061 Brighton, A. M. (Ouyen)		4076	McDonald, Donald K.	
4075 Butterworth, J.			(Hornsby)	
(Walpeup)		4108	McKay, Trevor (Aus-	
4107 Caldwell, W. J.			tralian)	
(Yallourn)		4034	McNaughton, C. (Caven-	
4098 Carey, J. (Glenrowan).		1-07-11000-140	dish)	
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4072 Doyle, John (Charters		4096	Murray, D. (Glenrowan)	
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1104 Dun, H. J. (Yallourn)		4039	Olver, J. (Cavendish)	
3057 Edwards, G. A. (Finley)		4048	Orbell, A. E. (Dubbo)	12
4081 Elliott, C. (Peak Hill) .		4079	Phillips, M. L. (Leeton)	12
4059 Emmett, R. (Ouyen)	40	4054	Rumble, L. (Dubbo)	12
	12	4035	Rundle, L. (Cavendish) .	
4077 Finney, J. L. (Hargrave		4033	Sculthorpe, J. T. (Tas-	
Park		1001	manian)	
4100 Goodwin, L. (Glenrowan)		4004	Shepherd, P. (Goulburn)	
4101 Graham, Ken. (Glen-		4007	Smith, Clem. (Ouyen) .	
rowan)	12	4099	Smith, D. (Glenrowan) .	
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	13	4004	Spiers, R. (Echuca)	12
4031 Grieves, G. (Tasmanian)	10	4009	Steedman, K. W. (Aus-	
4102 Harcourt, G. (Glen-		1009	tralian)	
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4047 Hardy, V. (Cavendish)		1000	atta) Steele, C. G. (Foster) .	
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4070 Hindon, Jack (Charters		1056	Walsgott. L. (Ouyen)	
Towers)	12	1082	Walton, Bryan (Gil-	
4040 Hoffman, C. A. (Caven-		4004	gandra)	
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1086 Horten, E. (Echuca)	12	1088	Weir, Alec. (Australian)	13
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4110 Jacobs, Colin (Kerang).		3980	Woodfield, N. (Balmoral)	***
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