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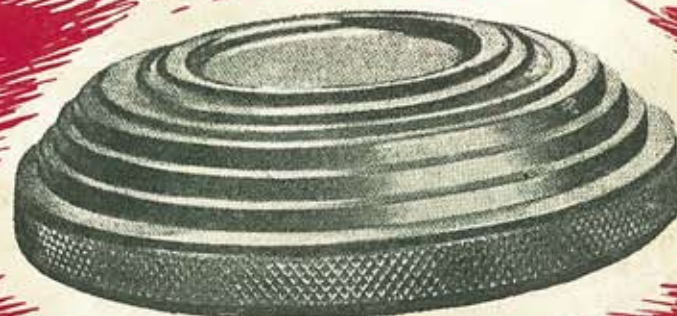
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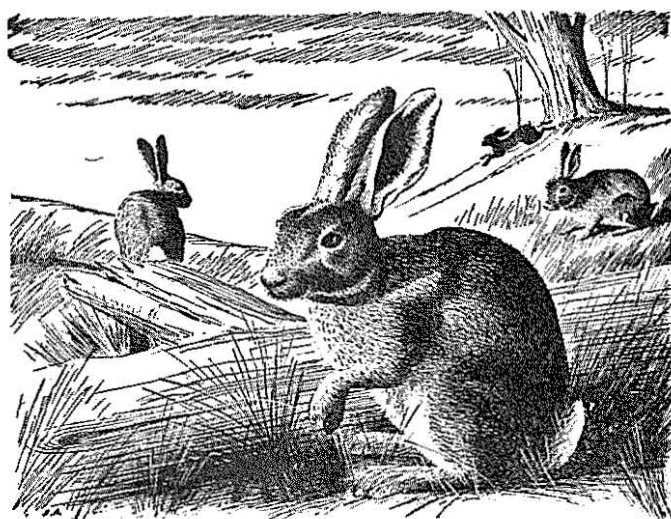
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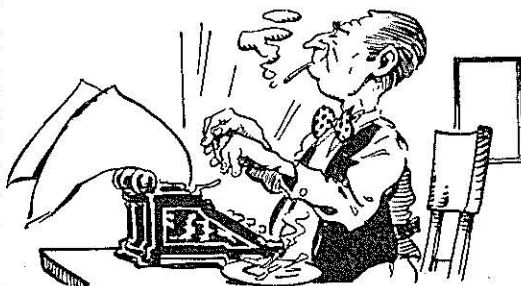
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# THE EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

The question of open handicapping continues, from time to time, to raise a somewhat vexed head when occasion arises of shooters being shown with no mark against their names in the official list, or shown with marks which to those "in the know" are completely wrong. Generally speaking, the handicap marks, providing returns, have been forwarded to the Association, are reasonably correct. However, where lack of interest by club officials has brought about a state of affairs where shooters in a particular club have not had the marks changed for a considerable period (providing, of course, shoots are being held) dissatisfaction is always lurking among members of the club concerned and also among those members of clubs closely allied—that is, clubs in adjacent areas.

The question of non-compliance with the Association requirements of submission of handicap returns is likely to have the attention of the Executive Committee at its next meeting. One club (outside Victoria) has waxed warmly on the point of handicap returns and has requested that the Executive Committee insist on its instructions being obeyed, with appropriate penalty for non-observance. A recently affiliated club secretary has written the following: "I do not wish to deprecate any club official, or, for that matter, any shooter, but a careful examination of handicaps as contained in 'News' from month to month reveals that no alteration has been made in respect to certain gun club members, when it is known that individual scores obtained justify alteration. Obviously some clubs have never lodged a handicap return, others very seldom. If such is the case, I consider it negligence and unfair to competitors, especially when major State and Commonwealth shoots are involved. I reiterate, therefore, that club secretaries throughout the Commonwealth should submit to the A.C.P.T.S.A. at the end of each



quarter a handicap return in respect to their registered club shooters, and I recommend further that, should any club fail to lodge these returns, they be listed as outstanding in subsequent issues of 'News'. Kindly accept the foregoing as constructive criticism, for it is submitted in the best interests of clay pigeon shooting."

The ideas as submitted in the aforementioned letter are accepted as truly constructive and very much welcomed. In fact, it can be said that the scheme outlined definitely provides the Executive Committee with grounds for consideration and ultimate decision.

Whilst discussing the question of handicapping, another interesting note has arrived from another Interstate club secretary. He writes, "Is it possible or permissible for a club handicapper to recommend a changed handicap for a shooter belonging to another club? For example (he continues), Shooter 'A' belongs to 'Z' Club, where his handicap is 12 yards. Shooter 'A' visits club 'Y' and shoots remarkably well—so well, in fact, that his handicap seems out of all reason. Club 'Y's' handicapper thinks the handicap absurd. May club 'Y' handicapper recommend to the Association a changed handicap for shooter 'A'?" This is a most interesting query and one which, apparently, some club officials do not quite appreciate. Shooter "A" should, of course, be re-handicapped by club "Y" handicapper, who should immediately contact the Association, indicating the mark he has allocated

and also stating (very clearly and concisely) the reasons why such handicap is recommended. To guard the shooter concerned against any unfair discrimination, the Association handicappers would immediately examine the recommendation and reasons, using fullest discretion in regard to any alteration or adjustment of handicap. It should be clearly understood by club officials that every recommendation forwarded to the Association is not necessarily accepted by the Association handicappers—this is particularly applicable where a recommendation is forwarded without any reasons being given. The Association handicappers always take into account the "class of company" in which an exceptional performance is recorded. For instance, at a Victorian shoot in a small distant country centre recently one shooter won four out of six events. Examination of the performance by the handicappers revealed that the shooter concerned was a 14 yarder and the biggest field for the day consisted of seven shooters, including two young boys, all on 12 yards. From the viewpoint of "open" handicapping, very little notice was taken of such a performance.

Clubs are again reminded that a handicap return should be submitted to the Association (if the club is shooting) once in every eight to 12 weeks. Handicap return forms are available from the Association secretary. When submitting returns, only those shooters whom it is considered should have their handicap changed (forward or back) should be included in the return with appropriate recommendation, accompanied (in the handicap return through columns provided) reasons for such recommended change.

Clubs failing to observe this instruction are acting in a manner unfair to their own shooters as well as visiting competitors.

A query was recently received from a New South Wales shooter enquiring how the "15th place was decided in the 1951 Australian International Team." The query continued that one section of the enquirer's club considered it was taken alphabetically. It is pointed out that the

question of a team member's final placing in the Australian team is not one for comparison. The members of the team shoot as a team representing Australia, but the "best 15 scores are to count." In the most recent case three finished with 93/100. In keeping with the direction and approved practice of the International Committee of Great Britain, it was decided to include in "the scores to count" section (when a tie existed as in the present case) those with the "best finish". By "best finish" is meant the "best score at the final visit." Two of 93/100 scorers finished with 24/25 and another 22/25. Therefore the shooters with the best finish gained the relatively insignificant higher placing. In all International team contests it should be remembered that, as already mentioned, the team members shoot as a combination, each does his best for the honour of his country and the fact that one may have a slightly better finish and so gain a higher place in the final summing up of the scores, is really of quite minor importance.

Clubs are reminded that applications for A.C.P.T.S.A. Championships for 1952 should be lodged with the Secretary, A.C.P.T.S.A., Box 2038 S, G.P.O., Melbourne, C.I., not later than October 1, 1951. It should be carefully noted that the date mentioned, October 1, is one month earlier than in previous years. When making application for championships, details of the championship desired should be outlined. Applications not so prepared will be considered only after all other correctly detailed applications have been dealt with. When applying for a district title, it is also important to give details of the district or shire in which the club applying is situated.

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# FAST AND SLOW SPEEDS

By CLIVE BEECH

What is the fastest wild creature on earth? That description belongs, strangely enough, to one of the world's smallest creatures, an insect. The tiny deer bot-fly is assuredly the fastest living thing on earth, faster, in fact, than man flying in his latest jet-planes. Timed over very short distances by a split-second camera, it does 400 yards per second, which is 818 m.p.h. Flying at well above the speed of sound, this insect gets ahead of its own considerable buzz. If it could keep up that terrific pace, visible only as a blurred streak to the human eye watching it in its native South America, it could fly round the globe in seventeen hours.

And the slowest? The proverbial snail, of course. Its speed has been calculated by scientific tests in an American laboratory as an average of 0.000363005 m.p.h.

### Between Extremes.

But there is a good range of animal speeds in between these two extremes. Man himself is the slow-coach of nature. He is not very fast walking at his normal pace, while as a sprinter most four-legged animals can beat him. At best, his all-out speed is 22 m.p.h., less than half the best speed of a racehorse which is carrying the weight of a jockey as well. And not many men could catch a rabbit or a greyhound by running after it.

### Fastest Animal.

The fastest thing on four legs is undoubtedly the cheetah, which can reach up to 70 m.p.h. over a short distance. Few animals can keep up high speeds over very long distances, and the really fast creatures usually excel only for short sprints. Cheetah pursue black buck in India, and these slender-built antelope can run at 50 m.p.h., with ease. One scientist had a gazelle outpacing his car in the Gobi Desert, although he was travelling at 60 m.p.h.

Impala, another species of antelope which occur in Africa, can keep

up 40 m.p.h. for some time without tiring, whereas the best greyhound can seldom streak along at more than 37 or 38 m.p.h. The standard of speed of a good racehorse is 33 m.p.h. Hares and rabbits also reach high speeds when pursued. A rabbit was timed in Switzerland from a car to run at 34 m.p.h. for nearly two miles, while hares are probably faster over short distances, although they tire more readily.

Elephants may be thought to be clumsy creatures when in a hurry, but if really enraged, a bull elephant can attain a speed of 20 or 25 m.p.h. over a short distance, but, like hares, they tire quickly and soon drop back to their usual pace of 2 m.p.h. Giraffes can run at 30 m.p.h. or more, in spite of their ungainly appearance, and even camels can shift at anything up to 25 m.p.h., on occasion. But this again is exceptional, for normally the camel is a slow animal.

Foxes can run at 40 or even 45 m.p.h. when hunted, as can wolves. Another excellent runner is a bird, the emu of Australia. Timed at 40 m.p.h. on several occasions, it is 5 m.p.h. slower than another Australian creature, the kangaroo, which progresses by means of thirty-foot leaps. Some of the most remarkable runners in the world are creatures like gophers, hares and some antelopes, which, although they may easily be outpaced by faster creatures, have the remarkable power of starting off at their maximum speed right from scratch with a very minimum of acceleration.

The fastest bird is thought to be the lammereiger, which can travel at well over 150 m.p.h. in a good wind. But swifts, especially the American needle-tailed swifts, peregrine falcons, and golden eagles can all do over 100 m.p.h. and often considerably more.

### Falcons and Pigeons

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straight at another bird on its own way, strike it and carry on its course without either turning to one side or slowing down at all. Racing pigeons, given good weather conditions, can travel at around 60 m.p.h., while driven game birds can attain speeds of only a little less. But all bird speeds are very variable and most good fliers are capable of sustained effort which may bring up their speed to well above their average. A swallow taken by car 79 miles away from its nest returned at once in 43½ minutes, that is, at an average speed of about 108 m.p.h.

In the sea the swordfish beats all-comers with its lightning rush of fifty knots. Most other fish are far slower with the pike's 10 m.p.h. a good average. Whales are generally faster than most fish, reaching speeds of up to 20 knots, in short bursts.

(*"British Shooting Times"*)

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## 1952 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Affiliated clubs are hereby advised that applications for 1952 Championships should be lodged with the Secretary, A.C.P.T.S.A., Box 2038 S, G.P.O., Melbourne, C.1 (in writing) not later than October 1. (One month earlier than on previous occasions). Clubs applying for championships should outline events preferred, adding second and their preferences.

Applications which do not comply with the conditions stated will be considered after all properly prepared applications have been dealt with.

## Ten Years Ago . . .

Athol Love, now of Nhill, formerly a member of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade in Melbourne, had a good month of success in August, 1941. He won the Coburg Club's premier title after a long struggle with J. Bryant. The event went to the 45th round. Love actually shot 80 straight on the day, but the last 20 were not in competition and could not be considered as a break sequence. Love later in the month won the Metropolitan Skeet title at Coburg, 17/20. John Roberts, of Caulfield (an elder brother of the recently successful Harry Roberts, who gained a place in the 1951 Australian International Team) was prominent at Blackburn during August, '41. He was runner-up to J. T. McArthur in a main event and stopped 26/28 for the day. The Nobel Club's walk-up title was won by L. L. Schilling, 8/10. Reg Plunkett, of Bowna (N.S.W.) won the front-marker trophy in this event.

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## The Faithful Few .

When the meeting's called to order  
And you look around the room  
You're sure to see a chap or two  
From out the shadows gloom,  
Who are always at the meeting,  
And who stay to see it through,  
Whom you can always count on;  
The Ever Faithful Few.  
They fill the thankless office,  
They're always on the spot,  
No matter what the evening's like;  
Be the weather fine or not.  
They're not fair-weather members,  
They're tried and they are true,  
The Chaps we can rely on;  
The Ever Faithful Few.  
There's a lot of other fellows  
Who come when in the mood,  
When everything's convenient,  
And if they're feeling good;  
They're a factor and necessary, too,  
But the ones who never fail us  
Are the Ever Faithful Few.

(*"Anonymous"*)

## "Tips" and "Tails"



Tommy Hughes, the Welsh International, writing expressing his compliments to Australia over the success in winning the 1951 International series, mentions the following, "I am writing you a note, and first of all I must congratulate your team on putting up such a wonderful score. We had expected one or two high scores, but the whole bunch of your boys were on top. I do not know whether you know that no one in this country had done a 100 straight in the International—so an Australian was the first to do it. I had an idea someone here would have done it, as we had high scores in our championship—four had 99 each; I had the good luck to gather 98/100. I was very pleased we had the company of one of your boys, Mr. Fuller, at the International at Dublin. (This would be Mal. Fuller of Sydney.—Ed.) The weather at Dublin was perfect and the site could not be better. We shot over Remington traps, we found them faster off the plate and not quite so much spin, slightly wider angles, but we soon got used to them. There is one tragedy—the Welsh boys lost the Governor-General's Cup (10 men) to England by two birds. I was at a club shoot on Saturday (June 30) and two of your lads were there, Fuller and another; they told me they had not seen skeet, although they performed very well. (This is remarkable, Australia has been conducting skeet shoots and major championships under skeet conditions for the best part of 20 years.—Ed.) I do think you might try skeet down under; it is not so expensive in cartridges as down the line, also it will give your boys good practice when they go after the ducks and other game. We find new-comers start off on skeet quicker than down-the-line. We were provided with a new load

for our cartridges in our championship meeting, a "crimp top" cartridge which, in my opinion, gave us a better pattern than the turn over. I wonder if you used something similar in your International; they definitely put up the scores from two to three per cent. We are having nice weather here for game hatching; pheasants and partridges are hatching off very well and up to the present no heavy thunderstorms. It still looks as if we have to get a few dinners by the gun next winter. I must now conclude, wishing you clay pigeon busters down under the best of sport." (Thanks for your compliments and good wishes, Tommy. Your letter will be read with great interest by our shooters on this side, where we are, in contrast, having quite a cold winter. More of the foregoing when you have time to write. Best wishes.—Ed.)

A brief personal note of congratulation is also to hand from Mr. Harry Rogers, the secretary of the English Association. Mr. Rogers adds, "Your team shot splendidly." Continuing, Mr. Rogers mentions, "We are recommending clubs to consider using single-barrel shooting in their club competitions, cartridges are scarce."

Footscray Gun Club, whose shooting headquarters is at No. 2 ground at Tottenham, reports the appointment of a new secretary following the relinquishing of the position by Frank Litchfield. The new appointee is Lindsay Pollard, whose address is 487 St. George's Road, Thornbury (V), telephone JJ 3052.

E. E. Bullen, the well known Vaucluse (Sydney) shooter, who has some good performances to his credit on Harbour City grounds, has transferred to the "Life" section of the registered shooters with the A.C.P.T.S.A.

A recent issue of the quarterly English Clay Pigeon Shooting News contains some interesting items. One mentions that a New Scottish Unit, the Hartree Gun Club, had recently been formed at Biggar, Lanarkshire. The name of Hartree would seem to

"ring a bell" up Kelly's Creek way in our Northern State of Queensland.

Another interesting item from the same publication is an account of early shooting days at the long-established Glen Clova Gun Club, also in Scotland. Glen Cova, we are informed, is "by Kirriemuir, Angus." The account written by the present club secretary, Mr. James F. Lindsay, reads:

"Although 1869 is the recognised opening of the 'Clova Shooting Match,' older members give information of their fathers and grandfathers attending the meeting before that year. At the outset the target was a ball of thin brass filled with soot. These balls, after being shot at, were collected and used again, pellet holes being sealed with soap. As years went on, this was found most unsatisfactory, as faulty sealing caused many arguments.

The Glass Ball was then introduced. The first record of these being used was in 1883, when the match consisted of '7 Glass Balls to be shot at by each competitor.' Competitors could run sweepstakes on their own initiative by purchasing balls from the 'Subscribers.' The only competitor of that year alive today is Mr. William Lindsay, father of the present Secretary, who rode on horseback from Backwater (Glenisla), a distance of fourteen miles over the hills, involving a climb to 2,500 feet. Others come from Tarfside, via Loch Brandy, and from Glen Muick (Ballater) via Loch Muick over the 3,000 ft. Capelmount pass.

In those days the match was a social meeting of jovial souls. The greater number of balls were shot at during the forenoon, as shooting was less accurate as the day wore on! After the match and celebrations they turned for home, some time in the early hours of the morning.

Many notable 'shots' attended the Clova Shoot, among them Sam Sinclair, Tom Ferrier, J. R. Stevenson and D. K. Machie. Sinclair and Stevenson were considered the best 'ball shots' in the country. As a boy of seventeen, Stevenson broke 99 out of 100 at a contest in London. 1950 marked his fiftieth year as a competitor at Clova."

New American Remington Traps were used for the first time during the recent International series at Dublin (Eire). The shooting ground was only four miles from Dublin proper and adjacent to Dublin Airport.

It is understood that the President of the International Shooting Union, Stockholm (Mr. E. Carlson) recently stated that "1950 will be remembered in the history of shooting as the year when our sport was re-established as an equal to other sports in the Olympic Games. The clay bird and running deer shooters who have been barred from participation since 1924 will be able to take part in Helsinki in 1952."

The International Shooting Union has also announced that the world clay pigeon shooting championships for 1951 will probably be held in Oslo (Norway). The Pan-American Games have been allotted to Buenos Aires (Argentina) and the Mediterranean Games to Alexandria (Egypt).

From the foregoing commentary by the I.S.U. President, it would appear that clay pigeon shooting has again been accepted as an Olympic sport. Efforts are being made to gain additional information on the question. Details of any reply will be published as received.

Rand Gun Club in the Southern Riverina district of N.S.W. has arranged to conduct its Riverina Double-Rise Championship meeting, with A.C.P.T.S.A. approval, on Saturday, September 22. A first-class

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 'slip through'."

programme has been drawn-up, including a £50 handicap additional to the title match. Full details are as advertised. A. L. Godde, of Kindra Street, Rand, is club secretary, and he advises early booking for accommodation should visiting shooters intend to stay-over. Shooting will commence at 10.30 a.m. A banquet is listed for evening entertainment. Rand members are enthusiasts and they have given much spare time recently to ground improvements. A belt of plane trees has been planted with the idea of providing shade in the warmer months. According to reports, "the ground should be a picture in a year or two."

Hay Club, with its three automatic trap lay-out, has received approval to shoot the Western Riverina Deauville Doubles title on October 27. A £50 handicap is also programmed. Other events will include the Hay Jubilee Challenge Shield Teams Match, which will be shot in conjunction with the handicap. The club will continue at night, when another £50 handicap has been arranged. The shoot will commence (morning) at 9.0 a.m. Jack Houston, Phone 197, Hay, will be pleased to answer accommodation enquiries. Details of the series is advertised.

Shortland Gun Club, just outside Newcastle (N.S.W.), is gradually developing and some good shoots are scheduled for the future. The club recently installed a new lay-out complete with automatic trap at a cost of £135.

Queensland shooters and sportsmen generally will regret to learn of the passing recently of J. J. Harland, for some years joint secretary of the Charleville Club. J.J. took over the secretaryship when the club was re-formed after the war years and carried on until the duties became too exacting when Reg Akers, of Spring Hill Station, stepped in to assist. In addition to gun club activities, J.J.H. was secretary of the local racing club and other sporting activities. His loss to Southern Queensland sport will be noticed in many spheres. His death took place in Brisbane after a prolonged illness. To his relatives and friends the Association extends its sincere regret and sympathy.

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A new club has been formed at Surat in Southern Queensland. The body has already affiliated and registered quite a few of its shooters. Ken Bassett, who is well known in Southern shooting grounds, is the new club's secretary. Ken has represented Australia on two occasions in International contests. In a recent note he mentioned that he is "anxious to ensure that all Surat members get a copy of 'News'". Ken adds, "'News' is a magazine, Bill, that gets thoroughly manhandled, read from cover to cover by all who come here and then carefully put away for further reference. However, you've had all that before, but I would like you to know we do enjoy very much mail day with a 'News' in it, and I know all our Surat members will look forward to getting their copy." Ken continues that, like most other clubs, he expects to get a good club going providing supplies for periodic shoots are made available. With the interest of Ken and his brother Nev., Surat seems destined to have a first-class club in the not far distant future. Ken's address is "Ventura Downs," Surat, Qld.

# Shepparton Clay Target Club

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Gladstone Diggers' Gun Club (Qld.) will stage its previously postponed championship fixture on September 2. Programme is as listed in the advertising section of this issue. Main event is the Queensland Double-Rise Championship. N. E. Byrne is club secretary and will be pleased to reply to all enquiries.

Keith Cameron and Joe Raleigh are again in featured results in recent shoots with breaks of 67 and 60 straight respectively. Both have previously performed similar feats. It may be added also that both have caused handicappers to engage in "deep thought and much head scratching" during the past few months.

Jack Page, the Atherton club's President, reporting from the "sunny North," mentions that one day last month "there was a little frost, but it had disappeared before I had time to look at it." Jack says beautiful sunshine prevails almost continuously at this period of the year around the Atherton area, and adds that "according to the news on the air, there can't be much of Victoria without snow on it." Continuing his report, Jack advises that the Atherton Club now boasts of the only gun club orchestra in Australia. The group includes four new Italian Australians who have not been resident long in this country. Jack says "they are the goods all right and will attend the Cairns Club opening." Limit duck bags have been the order of the day since the recent opening. Young wild sucking pigs are also proving plentiful and likely to be well accepted on some future menu. Concluding this report, Jack advises that the Atherton Club now also boasts of a woman secretary, this being Mrs. Ross Maclean, a keen enthusiast for clay bird shooting.

The following extract from the "Northern Star" at Lismore, N.S.W., provides an interesting comparison viewpoint on the contentious question of a duck season opening in N.S.W. The extract is actually an editorial comment and reads:—

"Divergent views by Lismore and Casino Pastures Protection Boards on the question of whether or not an open season should be declared on wood ducks in their respective

areas, provides an interesting comparison.

Members of both boards are practical farmers, yet their views on the wood duck problem were the opposite. At the Lismore meeting, members stressed the damage to crops and pastures caused by the ducks. One said there would be no farms left if the ducks were allowed to multiply unchecked.

At the Casino meeting the opinion was that an open season would absorb dairy cattle and cause a considerable drop in production.

Both viewpoints have sound arguments to back them, and the issue devolves into a question of which line of action would prove the more beneficial to the district as a whole. If the question were tackled from this angle, a common line of action, which is essential, should be agreed upon by the two boards."

The young shooter, David Mansell, son of Allan, who so frequently assists this publication with pictures, put up a remarkable shoot at the Camberwell fixture on July 21. Young Mansell, who is still at school, using a 20 gauge gun, shot 15 straight to win outright the Vickers Heily special trophy. He also secured a cut in the opening event on the programme. The young shooter is also a proficient athlete and has definite possibilities as high jumper in amateur circles.

Another tragic loss of life, occasioned by careless handling of firearms, is reported from the back country at Nevertire, N.S.W., some 30 miles west of Warren. It seems that a Sunday pig hunt was organised recently. A member of the party left his rifle loaded on the floor of the motor truck in which he was riding. The lorry bumped over a log, the rifle was dislodged from its position, exploded with the inevitable result. The importance of the strictest observance of safety rules at club shoots, pig hunts, or any shooting expedition of any kind cannot be over-stressed. Most gun accidents are avoidable and users of lethal weapons should ensure that no mistakes occur.

Ron Couch, the Lincolnshire (England) shooting sportsman, who has on occasions contributed interesting



copy to these columns, mentioned recently that "The News" arrives regularly and is like a breath of fresh air; I read it from cover to cover and try to imagine the sort of fellows whose names appear in the registration lists. The American Trap Shooters' Alibi (published some months ago) is so very true—how many times have I had butterflies in the stomach!! The worst was I had stopped 19 at skeet and was waiting for the magic twenty. It came after fifty years waiting at a couple of thousand miles an hour, rather smaller than a threepenny bit—but I hit it."

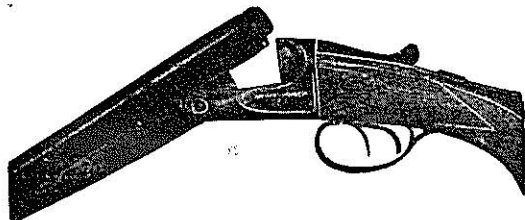
Coburg Club (V.) will shoot the Victorian Ladies' Double-barrel championship on August 18. The club's premier double-barrel title is listed for September 15. Forthcoming programmes are as advertised.

The Australian Club at East Burwood (V.) has arranged its usual big programme for the Melbourne Show Day Holiday, Thursday, September 27. Shooting will commence at 10.30 a.m. sharp, when a 15 birder will open proceedings. Starting at

1.30 p.m., the main attraction, a 45 birder, under double-barrel conditions, will occupy the remainder of the day. With its extensive four-trap layout, the club can cater for a big muster of shooters. A long series of trophies have been allocated, including sectional awards, full details of which are published in this issue. Eddie Brenk recently took over the secretarial duties at Australian Club from Aubrey Johnson. Eddie's address is 104 Roslyn Street, Burwood (V.), and he will be pleased to reply to all enquiries concerning the club fixtures. Mention of Aub. Johnson recalls the regret of the main body of shooting sportsmen over his retirement from Executive office, both in the A.C.P.T.S.A. and Australian Club. Due to heavy business commitments, Aub. found it impossible to continue in any executive office. His worthy interest in the sport of clay pigeon shooting—as a true-blue supporter of the sport at all times—and his loss to administration is indeed a serious blow. It may be that time will bring about an opportunity for him to permit himself to again offer for executive duty.

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The Australian Club intends opening its new skeet group within the next few weeks. Equipment is already installed—skeet addition, plus the four track lay-out, will make the Burwood grounds unequalled in the Commonwealth. Additional pavilion space was recently added.

Hobart Gun Club (Tas.) will shoot its club tower title at its Brighton grounds (Tas.) on Saturday, August 25. A £25 handicap will follow. Nomination for the title is 20/- and 25/- for the handicap.

Solferino (Young) Gun Club (N.S.W.) will shoot the Central N.S.W. single-barrel title on October 6. A. C. Ashley, Box 46, Young, is club secretary.

Wongabri Club at Bowral (N.S.W.) will shoot the South Coast and Tablelands single-barrel championship, as a Jubilee shoot, on September 22. Due to supply shortages, the club has only been able to hold two shoots for the present year, which is not conducive to the maintaining of members' interest. The programme for September 22 is advertised in this month's publication.

Colac Club in Western Victoria will shoot the Western Districts of Victoria single-barrel championship on October 6. The club may yet stage a double championship on this date. More information will be available later.

Parkes Gun Club (N.S.W.) will hold a two-day meeting over the period September 30 and October 1. A £100 handicap is the main event on the opening day at 10 birds.

Another major 10 birder, the winner of which will receive a Grandfather Clock valued at £80 is listed for the final day. Minor matches are included both days. Prize money and nominations are guaranteed irrespective of weather conditions or number of entries. A. G. Rowley, Clarinda Street, Parkes, is club Vice-President and will be pleased to reply to all enquiries.

The annual meeting of the Balmoral Club (V.) held recently was well attended. L. A. Perry was re-elected secretary and W. F. Duncan returned again as President. Due to the football season being in full swing, shooting activities have been somewhat restricted of late. Club reports indicate that notwithstanding present difficulties, Balmoral Club has a solid body of shooters behind it, all looking forward to good prospective shooting in the future.

Writing from Launceston (Tas.) last month, Alf Poxon, the former Association executive, mentions that he intends visiting Surfers Paradise shortly and hopes to shoot with the local club. He will be welcome by secretary A. G. Sturgess and club officials. Alf's knowledge of the sport will possibly assist the new organization. Continuing with his letter, Alf adds the following interesting comment on single-barrel shooting. He states, "Was pleased to read of the interest taken in the single-barrel shooting. I am sure if this was adopted throughout, much better shooters would be created; in fact, I do not know of any other sport where you have two shots or two attempts with the same results. I hope others take this up and it becomes recognised throughout." (Alf's mention of "two attempts with the same result" bring forward a new viewpoint on the subject and one worthy of much consideration.—Ed.)

The new club at Miranda, Sydney Gun Club (N.S.W.) copied the advice as mentioned through these columns some months ago, by using bags for its tracks at its initial shoot. The Darr River Club in Queensland was the original sponsor of "bags for tracks" and the idea seems to have caught on where no concrete lay-out has been available.

Many Victorians will regret to learn that Mrs. Harold Knight passed

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on some weeks ago. Harold Knight was well known on Melbourne tracks and later moved to 36 Trickett St., Cronulla, N.S.W. Victorian and New South Wales sportsmen and the A.C.P.T.S.A. extend sympathy to Harold in his severe loss.

Stonehenge Club (N.S.W.), according to its secretary and publicity officer, C. S. Horne, advises that Stonehenge promises to be one of the best in the senior State. Skeet lay-out will be introduced shortly.

The Hargrave Park Club (N.S.W.), which shoots at its grounds on Pearce's Estate, "Bella Vista," Old Windsor Road, at Seven Hills, near Parramatta, will conduct an open shoot on Saturday, September 8, when the Hargrave D.B. handicap of £25 at 15 birds will be chief interest. The programme is advertised this month.

Reports from Northern Queensland, sent along by Fred Blackman, indicate a first-class duck season in that area. Birds are stated to be plentiful everywhere, although cartridge sup-

plies look like being a headache for many in the future. The Townsville club has completed all the concrete work for second trap and next month should see the lay-out completed.

The Sale Club, the Association's most Easternly situated club in Victoria, will hold the Gippsland Deauville Doubles championship on Saturday, October 6, and will follow this up on Saturday, November 3, with the Commonwealth Double-rise championship. Both events are creating much interest in the Gippsland district and the Commonwealth title will be the first ever shot at Sale. A fairly big muster of visiting shooters is expected for this event. Programmes will be advertised.

The Victorian Double-rise championship will be shot at Shepparton on Saturday, October 20. This will be preceded by a special shoot on August 25; programmes for both meetings are as advertised. M. J. Young, 276 Maude St., Shepparton, is club secretary.

## STONEHENGE GUN CLUB

N.S.W.

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

At its grounds:

Quarter Sessions Road, THORNLEIGH, N.S.W.

Saturday 15th September 1951

at 1 p.m.

## Sydney Double Rise Championship

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

Trophies 1st, 2nd, 3rd. Nomination, £1.  
Optional Sweep, 10/-, divided 60%, 30%, 10%.

Other events time permitting.

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# COBURG GUN CLUB

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

GROUND LOCATION: MATHIESON ST., NTH. COBURG.

## SATURDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1951

- 10 Bird Single-Barrel.
- 10 Bird Double-Barrel (gun off shoulder).
- 10 Bird Points Decision.

## Vic. Ladies' D.-Barrel Championship

## SATURDAY, 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1951

- 5 Bird Single-Barrel.

## 20 Bird Double-Barrel

- 10 Bird Double-Barrel.

## SATURDAY, 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1951

- 5 Bird Single-Barrel.

## Club Double-Barrel Championship

- 10 Bird Double-Barrel.

## SATURDAY, 29TH SEPTEMBER, 1951

- 10 Bird Double-Barrel.

## 5 Pair Auto and Driven

- 10 Bird Double-Barrel.

LANCE SMALL  
President

C. J. COLLEDGE, Hon. Sec.  
12 Adler Grove  
Merlyston, N.14

The new club at Miranda (Sydney, N.S.W.) has been formed and the opening shoot was held on June 16, with the second shoot on July 21. It is expected that club and members will shortly become affiliated units of the A.C.P.T.S.A. The club is likely to be known as the "Sydney Gun Club."

Full details of the scores by all teams in the International shoot at Dublin did not come to hand in time for inclusion in this edition. Air-mail letters are to hand, however, advising that the high-gun efforts in the Great Britain teams were: England, Percy Stanbury, 96/100; Scotland, W. J. Grant, 98/100; Ireland, F. G. Moran, 95/100; Wales, 97/100. The secretary of the English Association has written, "Well done, Australia, and on behalf of the Executive Committee of this Association, all the teams and clay pigeon shooters throughout Great Britain and Ireland please accept and convey to your shooters in Australia our warmest congratulations, with a special word for the brilliant performance of Mr. Newton Thomas in killing 100 straight for the first time in this contest, and to Harry Roberts Junr. for his first-rate performance under conditions of considerable strain in view of his present age. The scores were duly opened at the Banquet at the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, and the announcement of the result was received with prolonged applause. We were particularly glad to have with us Mr. Mal Fuller, who was persuaded to say a few words in reply, and his account of proceedings will probably reach you in due course."

A further personal note from an English Association official mentions that Mal Fuller "made a very fine speech at Dublin Banquet. M.F. is being welcomed by everyone he contacts." (Apparently the Belle Vue Hill (Sydney) sportsman is creating a good impression on behalf of Australia and shooters during his stay abroad.—Ed.)

A story comes from Perth (W.A.) which provides a warning to those shooters who use "cartridge type" cigarette lighters. A leading Perth official mixed his lighter with the "dinkum" shells and, sure enough, duly placed the "lighter" in his gun.

Notwithstanding this mishap, the shooter was not greatly deterred and still shot well enough to cut the placings.

Alf ("Jim") Forbes, of Aldgate (South Australia), who is not a frequent visitor to Melbourne, but is, nevertheless, greatly interested in the sport of clay pigeon shooting, writing last month enclosed a blank cheque for completion by the Association for Life Registration. Alf wrote, "It grieves me greatly that I am unable to compete regularly; still, one enjoys the 'News' and the occasional visit over to Melbourne. I hope to be over soon. Wishing you and our worthy President the best." (Thanks, "Jim", appreciate your good wishes, but please do not send over too many blank cheques—these always frighten us.—Ed.)

Lance Small is the newly elected President of the Coburg Gun Club (V.). Lance has taken over from Jack McCraith, who retired after holding the office for two years. Lance is an energetic sportsman, a stickler for having everything pertaining to the club in first-class order and his enthusiasm should do much to ensure the club's continued success. Cyril Colledge and Stan Cole were re-elected as secretary and treasurer respectively, with the latter's son, Clem, as assistant. All have served for many years in these positions. The 1951 annual meeting (the 15th) brought out a large attendance of members, despite one of Melbourne's icy July nights. The meeting took place in the Council Chambers of the Coburg City Council. The Vice-Presidents are George Biggs, Ray Garrone and Cliff Ingbrisen. The new committee comprises Messrs. Cliff Bound, J. Bourke, W. Fisher, Jack Headland, Frank Landells, H. McAllister, Clem Mudford and George Walker, an astute group with the welfare of the club as their main objective. Jack McCraith was appointed a Life Member of Coburg Club in recognition of his sterling service and support over many years. During the meeting special reference was made to the presence of Roy Blackwood ("Blackie") and Eric Wangeman ("Wang"), both of whom were foundation members of Coburg in the late thirties.

# Parkes Gun Club

N.S.W.

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

## BIG TWO DAYS SHOOT

30th Sept. and 1st Oct. 1951

FIRST DAY, 30/9/51.

3 BIRD EYE OPENER.

10 BIRD HANDICAP - £100

Divided £50, £30, £10, £5, £5 and Trophy.

Nomination, £2.

Other Events — Time Permitting.

SECOND DAY, 1/10/51.

3 BIRD EYE OPENER

10 BIRD HANDICAP

Grandfather Clock valued at £80. Nomination, £1/10/-.

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Other Events — Time Permitting.

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There is a strong possibility of a new club forming at Port Fairy in Western Victoria. This sporting town was one time known as Belfast and has always boasted of being up-to-date in sporting activities. More will be heard of this formation later.

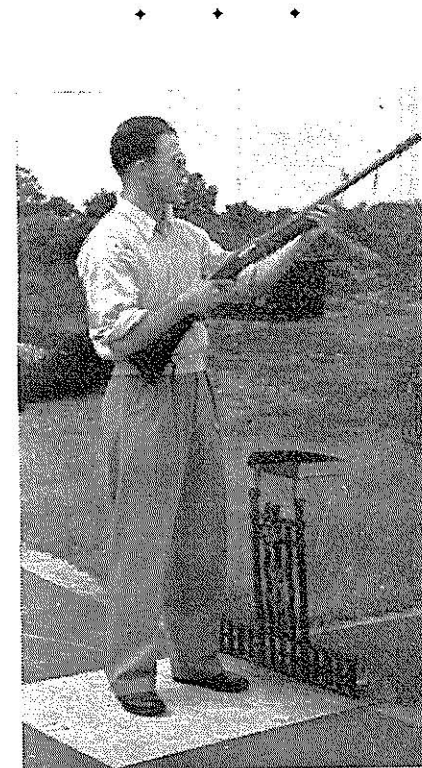
The Tasmanian Gun Club at Launceston advertises a shoot for September 8 in this issue. Main events are two £25 handicaps.

The Australian Club at East Burwood will shoot its club Deauville Doubles Championship on August 25. Minor events will also be held.

The annual meeting of the Holbrook Club was held following the recent club championship shoot fixture. Office-bearers elected were: President, W. C. O'Brien; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. J. O. Cox and Allan Gray; Committee, Messrs. Norman Plunkett, Lox Creasy, G. A. Fairbairn and D. Gittings; Hon. Treasurer, H. D. Richardson; Secretary, Harry J. Burge. Following a brilliant post-war opening, Holbrook Club has not been under notice to any extent in recent months. The centre of a splendid sporting district, well stocked with top-rank sportsmen, Holbrook club will doubtless react to the renewed enthusiasm of past weeks. This should be further strengthened by the interest displayed by committeeman Tony Fairbairn, who has intimated to the committee that he will present a trophy valued at £100 for an event or events to be decided upon by the committee. This is a very generous gesture and will do much to restore Holbrook Club to its rightful strata in the realm to first-class clubs.

The Camberwell Club programmes for August 18, September 1 and September 15 are as advertised. The club premier title (double-barrel) is listed as main attraction on the first-mentioned date. This will be followed by the club double-rise title on September 1. The Metropolitan Walk-up championship is the big event for the last shoot in September (Sept. 29).

Footscray Club is now functioning with its new secretary, Lindsay Polard, in the "box". Lindsay's efficient handling of affairs at his initial attempt won warm approval from all competitors on July 28, and there were nearly 60 shooters in attendance. Club President, Bob Wray, has specially requested that all members be requested not to overlook their duty on Saturday, August 18, by attending the club's annual meeting and social. All will receive official notice. The Metropolitan single-barrel championship will be the major interest for competitors on August 25. Programme for this fixture and also those of September 8 and September 22, are as advertised in this issue.



Mal. Fuller, of Sydney, shooting at Bisley (England) in July.  
(Note iron stands.)

# N.S.W. 8-HOUR WEEK END

SATURDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 1951

## QUEANBEYAN GUN CLUB

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

(Official Opening)

First Event 10 a.m.

No. 1 — 4 BIRD SINGLE-BARREL HANDICAP SWEEPSTAKE.

No. 2 —

## N.S.W. Southern Districts S.B. Championship

20 Birds from 16 yds. A.C.P.T.S.A. Rules. 1st, Trophy and Sash. 2nd, 3rd, Best 12/13 and 14/15 yd. Trophies. Nom., 20/-. Optional Sweepstakes.

No. 3 —

## £50 Handicap 10 Birds Single Barrel

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

(Captain's Flat)

First Event 10 a.m.

No. 1 — 5 BIRD DOUBLE-BARREL HANDICAP SWEEPSTAKE.

No. 2 —

## N.S.W. Southern Districts D.B. Championship

20 Birds from 16 yds. A.C.P.T.S.A. Rules. 1st, Trophy and Sash. 2nd, 3rd, Best 12/13 and 14/15 yd. Trophies. Nom., 20/-. Optional Sweepstakes. Teams Event. Draw for partners in conjunction.

No. 3 —

## £100 Handicap 15 Birds Single Barrel

Assn. Handicaps. Divided 60%, 25%, 10%, 5%. Trophy.

Other Events time permitting.

LIMITED SUPPLY OF CARTRIDGES - - - LUNCHEON AND AFTERNOON TEA

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# DUBBO GUN CLUB

N.S.W.

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

## Annual and Jubilee Meeting

20TH - 21ST - 22ND  
OCTOBER 1951

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## U.S.A. SHOOTING

Accompanying this note is picture of Miss Joyce Vanairsdale, a student of Gonzaga University at Spokane, described in a recent U.S.A. publication as "a modern Annie Oakley." At the Hayden Lake shoot at the end of May she outshot the male shooters to win the over-all championship, breaking 526 out of 550 targets over three days. Bill Hoadley, of Edmonton B.C., was runner-up with 524. Miss Vanairsdale won the Bozanta Handicap with 99 out of 100. The Washington State shoot saw Rudy Etchen win the Professional Championship 199/200. Class AA went to Bill Meyerhoff and Ray O'Connor, each 195/200; Class A, R. Doerschiag, 195; Gale Grady, Bob Larmer and E. J. Carr, 194; Bill Ragen, Virgil Waisinger, H. Jorgenson and Art. Meehan, 193.

I am looking forward to the International Team results, am sure that congratulations are in order for the Australian boys. God bless 'em. Shooting hasn't let up a bit yet, seems to be plenty of shells and targets.

The Washington State Association elections saw Joe T. Webster, of Walla Walla, elected President. Other officers are: S. N. Chapman (Spokane), Vice-President; Rex Miles, secretary-treasurer; Cr. Haskins, State delegate. The Board of Directors: W. D. Meyerhoff (Spokane), Marvin Stewart (Yakima), Sid Harmon (Walla Walla), Arch Amadon (Longview), Ray Johnson (Almira) and Carlos White (Colfax). Wishing your chaps all the best.



Joyce Vanairsdale, Washington State Lady Champion, 1950. She shoots on Over and Under. This is just a few of her Trophies — has won several since this photograph was taken.

## A TRIBUTE

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

The retiral of Aubrey Johnson from the secretaryship of the Australian Clay Target Club will be looked upon by all clay bird shooters as a severe loss, not only to the club concerned, but to clay bird shooting in general. However, there is some small consolation in the fact that he still remains an active member of the committee.

Aub. was foundation secretary of the Blackburn Club from its inception, and carried the club through the uncertain war period, then through the amalgamation with the Nobel Club, and the transfer to and build up of the present ground.

His unsung services to the Association are only known to those who

were in close contact, but I have no hesitation in claiming that Aubrey Johnson was one of the best backstops the Association ever had, or is ever likely to have, and all in his own quiet efficient way.

My own close association over the years gave me an insight into his sound, helpful character, and any small success the club may have had during my two years as president, was due to the efficient handling of the secretarial duties.

Aubrey, we all wish you well!

"Doech-an-Doris")

(Dave Watson)

(So say all.—Ed.)

### DIGGERS GUN CLUB

Gladstone - Queensland

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

2nd SEPTEMBER 1951

#### PROGRAMME:

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First Event—5 BIRD DOUBLE RISE SWEEPSTAKES

### 1951 Queensland State Jubilee Double Rise Championship

Supporting handicaps if time permits.

First event commences at 11 a.m.

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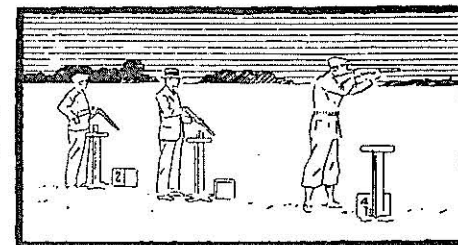
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## AROUND THE CLUBS AND MEETINGS...



BATHURST (N.S.W.). — Results June 16th, 1951. Wet and miserable conditions marked the Club Walk-up Championship. Due to conditions, the event was cut to 10 birds. Evergreen J. N. Brazier returned the winning score of 8/10, all first barrels. Lou Lupp and Vic Howard were close behind, 7/10. A tie shoot resulted in a win for Lou, 11/15, from Vic, 10/15. A 3-bird eye-opener and three small trophy events completed the day.

No. 1, 3-bird D.B.: R. Campbell, J. Ryan, W. Haynes and H. Jaques, 3/3. No. 2, Club W.U. Championship, 10 birds: J. N. Brazier, 8/10, 1st; L. Lupp, 11/15, 2nd; V. Howard, 10/15, 3rd. No. 3, 5-bird Trophy and Sweep: W. Byers, J. N. Brazier and R. Campbell, 5/5; Trophy, W. Byers, 11/11, from Brazier, 10/11. No. 4 (same): L. Lupp, J. N. Brazier and R. Wienert, 5/5; Trophy, L. Lupp, 10/10. No. 5 (same): V. Howard outright, 5/5.

Results, June 30th, 1951. A piercing wind was present with members to contest club Deauville Doubles Championship on 30th June. Only eight pairs braved the weather. New champs Bill Byers and Harry Jaques turned in an almost full score of 11/12 pairs to win from Lou Lupp and Larry Healey, who had 10/12. Chas. Campbell and J. N. Brazier finished third, 12/16, after a tie shoot with Jim Ryan and Vic Howard, 11/16. An eye-opener of 3 pairs D.D. and 3 small trophy events completed the programme.

Results: No. 1, 3 prs. D.D.: H. Jaques - W. Byers and C. Campbell - J. Brazier, 3/3. No. 2, Club D.D. Championship: H. Jaques - W. Byers,

11/12, 1st; L. Lupp - L. Healey, 10/12, 2nd; C. Campbell - J. Brazier, 12/16, 3rd. No. 3, 5-bird Trophy and Sweep: J. Brazier, outright, 5/5. No. 4 (same): L. Lupp and L. Healey, 5/5; Trophy, L. Lupp, 8/8. No. 5 (same): K. McEwen and V. Howard, 5/5; Trophy, V. Howard, 7/7.

Results, July 14th, 1951. The club Double-Rise Championship for 1951, decided today, resulted in a clear-cut win for popular member Billy Byers. Billy is back in winning form again, and the under and over seems to suit him nicely. His score of 8/12 was the same as that of last year's winner, Lou Lupp. Five members had 5/12 pairs and the first round of four pairs in the tie shoot eliminated two from the shoot, namely A. Morris, who broke 4/4 pairs to run second, 9/16, and R. Bressington, who had 1/4. L. Lupp, V. Howard and C. Campbell shot another four pairs each to reach finality, Lou breaking 3/4 to finish third, 10/20. That last bird of Lou's saved a lot of shells and birds. A rust remover of 3 pairs D.R. and 3 small trophy events with attached sweepstakes filled the programme.

Results: No. 1, 3 prs. D.R.: S. Bressington and L. Lupp, 2/3. No. 2, Club 1951 D.R. Championship: W. Byers, 8/12, 1st; A. Morris, 9/16, 2nd; L. Lupp, 10/20, 3rd. No. 3, 5-bird Trophy and Sweep: S. Bressington, H. Jaques, W. Byers and R. Wienert (Orange), 5/5; Trophy, H. Jaques, 9/9. No. 4 (same): A. Morris, H. Jaques, W. Byers and R. Wienert, 5/5; Trophy, R. Wienert, 8/8. No. 5 (same): C. Campbell, W. Byers and R. Wienert, 5/5; Trophy, C. Campbell, 7/7.

# Tasmanian Gun Club

LAUNCESTON

8TH SEPTEMBER, 1951

## 1st Event—5 BIRD SINGLE BARREL SWEEPSTAKE

Nomination, 5/-.

## 2nd Event —

### £25 HANDICAP - DOUBLE BARREL

15 Birds. Nomination, £1/5/-. Points Decision.

2 Points 1st Barrel, 1 Point 2nd Barrel.

Divided 60%, 30%, 10%. Trophy.

## 3rd Event —

### £25 HANDICAP - SINGLE BARREL

15 Birds. Nom., £1/5/-. Divided 60%, 30%, 10%.

Trophy.

OTHER EVENTS IF TIME PERMITS.

Next shoot will be conducted on the 13th October, 1951.

President:

Mr. W. RAINBIRD.

Hon. Secty.:

J. F. BENNELL,

7 Stone Street,

Launceston, Tas.

Keen clay shooter from our sister city, Orange, Ross Wienert, paid our club another visit and made a very generous donation of a silver cup for the winner of the Double-Rise Championship. Ross can rest assured of solid support from the Bathurst burrs when he launches a Gun Club at Orange. His brother from Lithgow and Mr. H. Mason also attended and enjoyed their day.

(Vic Russell, Hon. Sec.)

**CHARLEVILLE (Q.).—30th June:** No. 1 Event, 5-bird D.B. Point, 6 possibles, shared by R. Pegler, J. Raleigh, R. Powell, J. Armstrong, R. Trywhitt and D. Squire, with 15/15 points. No. 2 Event, 5-bird D.B., 26 possibles, shared on 10th round by K. Bassett, N. Thomas, K. West, W. Moore, D. McKerrow, B. Schooley, J. Allen, 10/10 each. No. 3 Event, 1951 Qld. D.B. Championship: 1st, Keith Cameron, 65/65; 2nd, J. W. Raleigh, 63/65; 3rd, Ken Bassett, 28/30; best 12 yarder, L. Haseler, 24/25. There were 4 possibles—Newton Thomas missed a bird in the first round of the shoot-off and Ken Bassett missed in the second visit, giving him 3rd position. L. Haseler and W. Moore shot off for the 12 yd. Trophy, which was won by L. Haseler, with 24/25. No. 4 Event, 10-bird S.B. (Trophy), 2 possibles: 1st, Newton Thomas, 14/14; 2nd, Reg Akers, 13/14; 3rd, S. Schooley, 12/13; best 12 yarder, Doug Smith, 11/13.

**Second Day, 1st July:** No. 1 Event, 5-bird D.B. Point, 13 possibles, shared by R. Pegler, L. Haseler, W. Moore, with 8/8 each. No. 2 Event, Warrego £100 Handicap, 30 birds, Point Scoring (3-2): 1st, W. Chandler, 87/90 pts.; 2nd and 3rd, div. J. W. Raleigh and Ken Bassett, 86/90 each; best 12 yarder, div. W. Moore and M. Martin, 80/90 pts. each. Event No. 3, 3 pairs Deauville Doubles Trophy (partners drawn): 1st, J. Raleigh and A. Seis, 18/18 prs.; 2nd, D. Squire and K. Boyd, 17/18 prs. The consolation aggregate trophy for best 13/14 yarder not winning a major prize went to R. Pegler, with 69/75 birds.

(Reg Akers, Hon. Sec.)

**ALEXANDRA (V.).—**Following is result of Alexandra Club shoot held on 14/7/51. Shooters were present from Melbourne, Seymour, Bonnie

Doon as well as locals. The day was marred by poor vision due to very dull weather. Event 1, 5-bird D.B.: won outright by T. Cherry, 5/5; Front-markers, R. Simmons, 4/5. Event 2, 5-bird S.B.: div. R. Williamson, G. Cumming, 5/5; Front-markers, div. J. Roberts, D. Chandler, 4/5. Event 3, 10-bird D.B.: Back-markers' Trophy and Sweep won by C. Cumming, 10/10; Front-markers' Trophy, Leo Doyle, 9/10. Cartridges donated by L. Cumming and L. Davies, won by W. Yeoman and I. Cumming. Event 4, 5-bird Walk-up: div. L. Davies, L. Cumming and R. Williamson, 3/5. Event 5, 5-bird S.B.: div. I. Cumming, Leo Doyle and R. Williamson, 6/9. During the afternoon a talented exhibition of archery was given by L. Davies, of Melbourne.

(T. A. Cherry, Hon. Sec.)

**GRIFFITH (N.S.W.). —**Results July 14: Event 1, The R. J. "Bob" Hutchins Trophies for a round of 20 skeet: 1st and Trophy, Dave Taylor, 27/31; 2nd and Trophy, Bill Gibbs, 26/31; 3rd and Trophy, Reg McNamara, 25/31. At the conclusion of the 20 skeet the scores were: Reg McNamara, Bill Gibbs, Dave Taylor, 17; Emil Albert, Jack Bowsher, Bob Hutchins, Harold Anstee, 16; Phil

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

Commencing 10 a.m.

**SATURDAY 25TH AUGUST 1951**

Shoot 11 a.m.

Event No. 1:

**5 BIRD 12 YARD ASSOCIATION TROPHY**

Nomination, 5/-.

Event No. 2:

**5 BIRD DOUBLE BARREL TOWER SWEEPSTAKE**

Nomination, 6/-.

Event No. 3:

## Hobart Gun Club Tower Championship

**15 BIRD DOUBLE BARREL.** Nomination, 20/-.

Optional Sweep, 10/- 1st, 2nd and 3rd Trophies.

Event No. 4:

**£25 - 20 Bird Double Barrel Handicap**

Nomination, 25/-.

Time permitting, further sweepstakes. Association Handicap

Event 4 — ERIC H. ROUND Aggregate.

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D. BRIDGES, Hon. Sec.,  
Elizabeth St., Hobart.

Stott, Watts McNamara, 15; Ian Evans, Bob Bushy, 14. Event 2, 10-bird Double-barrel from Club Handicaps with Optional Sweep: div. Harold Anstee, Watts McNamara and Ian Evans, 10/10; next best scorers were: Jack Bowsher, Ernie Clark and Reg McNamara, 9/10; Emil Albert and Bob Hutchins, 8/10; Don Bell, Bob Bushby, Eric Evans, Digger Gibbs, Ray Thompson, Phil Stott and Dave Taylor, 7/10. Event 3, 5-bird Double-barrel from Handicaps with Optional Sweep: div. Jack Bowsher, Eric Evans, Ian Evans, Bill Gibbs and Watts McNamara, 5/5; next best scorers were Don Bell, Bob Bushby, John James, 4/5; Reg McNamara, Chris Paspalas, Ray Thompson, Jim Theodore and Phil Stott, 3/5.

(J. James.)

**COBURG (V.).** — Results shoot, July 8: No. 1, 10 birds: div. R. Hering, J. Bourke, K. Styles, Murray Gardiner, 10/10. No. 2, 10 birds, D.B.: A. C. Tie, 17/17; E. Quinton, 16/17; J. Harle, 13/14; 13/14 yarder, Dave Ryan, 16/17; 12 yarder, K. Hooker, 8/10. No. 3, 10 birds, 5 possibles, tie shoot: R. Hering, 14/14; S. Chisholm, 20/21; G. Biggs, 19/22; 13/14 yarder, H. McAllister, 19/22; 12 yarder, W. Fisher. There was again a good attendance on July 21, when the final stage of the 100-bird aggregate series (staged over several shoots) was decided. The aggregate figures went to Geo. Biggs, 86/100. The club sponsored single-barrel shooting chiefly at this fixture, and this was well received. Results were: No. 1, 5 birds: div. J. Headland, C. Bound, H. Biddle, 5/5. No. 2, 20 birds, S.B.: won outright by W. Finnegan, 18/20, from C. Bound, 20/23; R. Hering, 19/23; J. Headland, 18/23; W. Wager, 18/22; 12 yarder, Ray Garrone, 15/20. No. 3, 5 birds, D.B.: F. Olver, 19/19; W. Wager, 18/19; L. Small, 21/23; front-marker, D. Mitchell, 11/12.

**CAMBERWELL (V.).** — Visitors on July 21 included Luke Doyle and T. Cherry (Alexandra) and C. Dean (Wangaratta). Results were: No. 1, 5 birds, S.B.: div. F. Skate, D. Mansell, G. Copeland, 5/5. No. 2, 10 birds, S.B. (Donnelly Trophy): P. Willis, 10/10; A. Goodear, 18/19; A. H. Brenk, 17/19; 12/14 yarder, O. Kurrle, 9/11. No. 3, 5 birds, D.B.

(V. Heily Trophy): David Mansell, 15/15. No. 4, 5 birds, D.B.: div. Goodear, Willis, C. Dean, W. Bray, L. Doyle, 8/8.

**HAY (N.S.W.).** — A big crowd saw some excellent shooting in wintery conditions at the Hay Gun Club's ground on Saturday, July 7. The shoot was for the Mrs. Gibson Trophies. A field of 22 faced the traps for the trophy shoot. The event was for 10 birds, Double-barrel from Club handicap marks, and on completion of the round, the score card showed that Geoff and Jack Pocock had shot ten straight. Eight other contestants got nine. Another round of 5 birds was ordered to decide the places, and Geoff Pocock took the coveted first prize with 15/15. Brother Jack was placed second with 13/14, and Jack Headon was placed third with 13/15. On completion of this event the donor of the trophies, Mrs. Max Gibson, in a pleasing little speech presented the prizes to the winners and congratulated them on their excellent shooting. The opening event, a 5-bird D.B., also attracted 22 shooters, and this was divided with the possible by Jack Witcombe, L. Dreschler and Jack Headon. The Deauville Doubles attracted a field of ten pairs, and this was divided by Max Gibson and A. Dancey and Jack Pocock and E. Lugsdin, both pairs shooting their five doubles. The concluding event, a 3-pair Double-Rise, saw Maurice Gibson being the only competitor to shoot the possible, beating 13 others.

(J. Houston, Hon. Sec.)

**GIDGINBUNG (N.S.W.).** — Result main event (trophy by Mrs. C. Ryals), June 30, 10 birds: possibles by L. Trembath, A. T. Pellow, B. Churchill, R. Kiley, H. Vickers, A. Phillips. Tie shoot: A. Phillips, 14/14; A. T. Pellow and L. Trembath, each 13/14, div. second and third. Churchill, Kiley and Vickers all missed on 11th round.

(R. Forbutt, Hon. Sec.)

**AUSTRALIAN (V.).** — Results shoot, July 14: No. 1, 10 birds, 4 possibles: div. E. G. Biggs, A. H. Brenk, A. Mansell, W. Bloomfield, 10/10. No. 2, Mackintosh Cup, 15 birds, gun off shoulder, handicap marks: won outright by W. Finnegan, 15/15 (only possible), three

14/15's; tie shoot for places: R. Jorgenson, 19/20; F. Skate, 18/20; E. G. Biggs, 15/17; 15/16 yarder, H. Phillips, 14/16. No. 3, 5 birds: F. E. Brown, 13/13; A. E. Goodear, 12/13; H. Phillips, 10/11. Results shoot July 28: No. 1, 10 birds, D.B. Sweepstake, 7 possibles: div. N. Davies, "Nyla", G. Anderson, R. Didier, B. Mark, G. Biggs and Barbara Biggs, 10/10. No. 2, 10 birds, 5 single and double-barrel: H. H. Ball, 10/10; Lionel Byrne, 25/26; G. Biggs, 24/26; 13/14 yarder, R. Garrone, 12/14; 12 yarder, T. Phillips, 7/10. No. 3, 10 birds, D.B. Silent Rise: A. E. Goodear, 11/11; K. Styles, 10/11; Barbara Biggs, 22/23; 13/14 yarder, K. Hooker, 21/23; 12 yarder, R. Roberts, 5/10.

the day at East Burwood on July 28. First event was a 10-bird Sweepstake which produced 7 possibles, two of which were secured by two young

ladies, Miss Nyla Fankhauser and Miss Barbara Biggs. Before commencing the tie shoot a conference was held and all decided to divide the stake. Then the mud was thrown. What gentlemen; would not like to see the girls shot out. Squibs! Afraid the girls may show them up! Not game to test your prowess with the girls, etc., etc. The men certainly came in for some banter and could have saved themselves from the ear-bashing, as was proved later when Barbara staged a meritorious performance in the shoot-off for 3rd place in the last event. Outclassing eight opponents and dismissing them at the 14th round, Barbara and K. Hooker went shot for shot to the 23rd round, which kept the audience on its toes; Hooker failed to cover the 23rd bird, giving Barbara 3rd Trophy, 22/23. Her win was very popular. Those dividing in the 1st

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2nd Event — SID. LAMB TROPHY.

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FINALISTS IN NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL SINGLE-RISE CLAY TARGET CHAMPIONSHIP AT HAMILTON (N.Z.) in July. (L. to R.): W. J. McMiken (Hamilton) (2nd), W. L. Brinkworth (Hamilton), (1st) and E. C. Benton (3rd).

event were "Nyla", Barbara, N. Davies, G. Anderson, R. Didier, B. Mark, G. Biggs. No. 2 event was an unorthodox 10 birder, 5 single barrel from No. 2 trap, 5 double from No. 3 trap. As usual, the single-barrel brought them to their knees and resulted in only one possible, which meant an outright win to H. H. Ball, 10/10. There were quite a number of 9/10 who then contested the places. Lionel Byrne and George Biggs staged an interesting shoot-off which went to the 26th round before decision; Byrne held the whip handle, being on 17 yards, while George was back in no man's land, 22 yards; certainly a concession in a tie shoot. Byrne took 2nd place, 25/26; Biggs, 3rd, 24/26; Ray Garrone took 13/14 yd. Ray was unlucky in missing his last bird in two events. T. Phillips carried off the 12 yd. Trophy. In the 10-bird Silent Rise, 16-year-old Keith Styles, a

first-class shot in the making, together with Bert Goodear, scored possibles. The tie shoot was won by Goodear, 11/11, Styles missing his first release, 10/11; Barbara, 3rd; K. Hooker, 13/14 yd., 21/23; 12 yd. Trophy, B. Roberts.

Aub. Johnson, hon. secretary to the Australian C.T. Club, has reluctantly decided to resign. A keen club enthusiast and untiring worker, he piloted the Blackburn Club for about 14 years. At the amalgamation of Nobel and Blackburn clubs he was joined as co-secretary with Mr. Fred Byers. Best wishes go to him from all club members.

(H. H. Ball.)

FOOTSCRAY (V.).—Results shoot July 14: No. 1, 3 birds: div. L. Murphy and V. Christensen, 3/3. No. 2, 15 birds, 1 star any stage: N. Guy, 19/19; J. Headland, 18/19; front-marker trophy, Stan Chisholm, 10/15.

## Camberwell District Clay Target Club

Ground Location: Bulleen Road, North Balwyn.

AUGUST 18TH . . .

### Club Double Barrel Championship

20 Birds at 18 yards — G. Biggs Trophy.

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Optional Sweeps, 5/-.

SEPTEMBER 1ST . . .

3 PAIRS DOUBLE-RISE SWEEPSTAKE

### Club Double Rise Championship

J. A. McCraith Trophy.

12 pairs from 16 yards. Entry, 20/-.  
Optional Sweep, 5/-.

SEPTEMBER 15TH . . .

5 BIRD S.B. SWEEPSTAKE.

5 BIRD WALK-UP.

5 BIRD D.B. A. F. JOHNSON TROPHY.

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No. 3, 5-bird Sweepstake, points scoring, 3 and 2: div. A. C. Tie, Peter Wray, F. Krentzlin, C. Mudford, L. Murphy, 12/12. Results, July 28, when 56 shooters competed, were: No. 1, 3 birds: div. C. Sydenham, Don Corstorphan (Colac), J. O'Brien, 3/3. No. 2, 20 birds, points scoring: W. Wager, 59/60; J. D. Byrne, 58/60; K. Armstrong, 57/60; 12/14 yarder, L. Murphy, 53/60.

PORTARLINGTON (V.).—Results Ballarine Peninsular Double-Rise Championship (July 21): won by Roy Johns, 8/12 pairs; R. Krentzlin and W. Wilkinson, div. placings. Minor events: No. 1, 3 pairs D. Rise: div. Wilkinson, L. Byrne, 2/3 pairs. No. 2, 5 birds, S.B.: R. Jorgenson. No. 3, 5 bird D.B.: R. Krentzlin. No. 4, 5 birds, Points: L. Byrne, 15/15 pts. No. 6, Miss-out (20 yards): R. Krentzlin, 6/6.

(R. Jorgenson, Hon. Sec.)

TUMUT (N.S.W.).—Results of shoot held on July 22. Shooters from Ganmain, Wagga, Cootamundra, Yass and local members attended. Attendance was somewhat affected by rain throughout the day. No. 1, 5-bird D.B. Sweep: M. Downing (Tumut), 10/10. No. 2, 5-bird D.B. Sweep: div. K. Ronning (Cootamundra), W. Butler and M. Downing (Tumut), J. Kelly (Ganmain), Bruce Hall (Wagga), J. Elliot (Cootamundra) and T. Ronning (Cootamundra), 5/5. No. 3, £25 D.B. Handicap, 15 birds: div. P. Gibbons (Ganmain), Bruce Hall (Wagga) and G. Baker (Tumut), 14/15; Front-marker to J. Ryan (Cootamundra), 13/15. No. 4, 5-bird D.B. Sweep: div. P. Gibbons (Ganmain) and G. Baker (Tumut), 8/8. No. 5, 5-bird D.B. Sweep: H. Connell (Yass), 5/5.

(G. D. Baker, Hon. Sec.)

STONEHENGE (N.S.W.).—Stonehenge held monthly shoot on 21/7/51. Great praise was expressed by all and sundry for the manner in which the new automatic trap handled the clays, and all the new improvements made to the grounds. The skyline and view now is second to none in the state. No. 1 comp. was div. A. Spehr, J. Finney, J. Leighton and F. Werner, all with 5/5. No. 2, a very handsome case with necessary equipment for a picnic lunch was

won by W. Hanley with 9/10 after a shoot-off with Jack Finney, E. Bullen, R. Sonter, all with 9/10. No. 3 comp., a ham, one under 16 yards and one over 16 yards, resulted in a win for W. Hanley, with 10/10 over 16 yards, and Stan Pierce, L. Murell, G. Henkell, A. Spehr, R. Sonter and the veteran Fred Werner (84), all with 9/10, resulted in a win for R. Sonter. Jack Finney won the skeet with 9/10.

(C. S. Horne, Hon. Sec.)

RAND (N.S.W.).—Results shoot held June 30: No. 1 Event, 5-bird Sweepstakes: A. Helwig, 5/5. No. 2 Event, £25 Handicap: G. Hallam, 10/10. No. 3 Event, 3-bird Double Rise: P. Griffith, G. Hallam, div. No. 4 Event, Deauville Doubles: P. Griffith and G. Hallam. No. 5 Event, Novice: H. Pietsch, 5/5. No. 6 Miss-out: L. Vonthien, A. Helwig and G. Hallam, div.

(A. L. Godde, Hon. Sec.)

GRIFFITH (N.S.W.).—Results, June 30th shoot: No. 1, 5-bird Single-barrel from Handicap marks: This event was div. Harold Anstee, Don Bell, Bob Bushby, Ian Evans, Bill Gibbs and Ray Thompson, all with 5/5; next best scorers were Graham Barber, Watts McNamara, and Dr. J. Sertori, 4/5. No. 2, The Cummins Bros. Trophies of 20 birds Single-barrel, Club Handicaps: This event was won outright with a brilliant display of first barrels by Ray Thompson, who was the only shooter to make the possible of 20/20. This effort secured first place and Trophy for Ray Thompson. With 19/20, Bob Bushby came in to take second place and Trophy. With 17/20, Harold Anstee, John James, Bill Gibbs and Jack Little shot off for third place. Bill Gibbs proved the better man and took third place and Trophy with 23/27, followed by Harold Anstee with 22/27, Jack Little with 20/26, and John James with 20/25; next best scores were: Ian Evans, Wally Gritten, 16/20; Des Coughlan, 14/20; Ernie Clark, Ted Fromholtz, Reg McNamara and Phil Stott, 13/20. No. 3, 10-bird Double-barrel from Club Handicaps: This event was div. Des Coughlan, Ian Evans, Bill Gibbs and Dr. J. Sertori, all with the possible 10/10; next best scores were: Bob Bushby, Eric Evans and Wally



# Rand Gun Club

N.S.W.

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

**Saturday 22nd September 1951**

Shooting commences at 10.30 a.m.

Event 1 — 5 BIRD SWEEPSTAKE. Nomination, 5/-.

Event 2 — NOVICE EVENT, 5 BIRD D.B. TROPHY  
Nomination, 6/-.

Event 3 —

## RIVERINA DOUBLE RISE CHAMPIONSHIP

Handsome Trophies, 1st, 2nd and 3rd in this event.

Event 4 — S.B. NOVICE, 10 BIRD TROPHY  
Nomination, 10/-.

Event 5 —

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15 BIRD. Nomination, 50/-.

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Gritten, with 9/10; Harold Anstee, Don Bell, Ernie Clark, John James, Watts McNamara, Reg McNamara, with 8/10; Graham Barber, Mick Cudmore, Don Muir, Alf Patten and Ray Thompson, with 7/10.

Results July 28: No. 1, 10 pairs Double-Rise for the Harold Pfitzner Trophies: This event was shot squad system from two traps with 5 pairs at a visit. 1st Trophy to John James, 6 pairs, outright win; 2nd Trophy to Claude Carnell, 7/13 pairs; 3rd Trophy to Ray Thompson, 6/13 pairs; 4th, Jack Little after a shoot-off with Claude Carnell and Ray Thompson. No. 2, 10 pairs Deauville Doubles (shooters were paired by ballot): This event was won outright with the only possible by Bob Hutchins and John James. Shootering partners with 9 kills from the 10 pairs were: Watts McNamara - Jack Little, Ian Evans - Graham Barber, Chris Paspalas - Claude Carnell, Don Muir - Ray Thompson, Jack Taylor - Bill Ronfeldt, Phil Stott - Bill Gibbs. No. 3, 3 pairs Silent Rise with Gun Down: No shooter scored the possible in this event; the closest shooter was Claude Carnell with a dusted 6th bird. The event was divided with 2 pairs by Bill Ronfeldt - Bill Gibbs, Lloyd Bowditch - Claude Carnell. No. 4, 10-bird Double-barrel from Club Handicaps: div. 6 shooters, all with the possible: Graham Barber, Reg McNamara, Bill Ronfeldt, Ray Thompson, Ian Evans, Lloyd Bowditch. No. 5, 5-bird Single-barrel from Club Handicaps: div. Mick Cudmore, Eric Evans, Chris Paspalas, Lloyd Bowditch and Bill Gibbs, all with the possible, 5/5.

(J. James.)

## NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

The New Zealand Championships attracted a record field of 173 — one more than the previous highest total of 173 in 1950. The fields included a few Australians, including the 1950 Australian Champion of Champions title holder, Jack McCraith. The series was held at the Hamilton Gun Club's grounds. Results and a few pictures have come to hand through the courtesy of Mr. W. J. McMiken, who is well known to many Northern Tasmanian shooters, having won a district title at Cressy (Tas.) some time back with "borrowed plumes" (gun and equipment). Mr. McMiken

retains his interest in Australian shooting, and, as the accompanying picture shows, he finished runner-up in the N.Z. National single-rise championship, after stopping the possible of 25 straight over the original course of the match. Mr. McMiken never fails to sport his Association badge, and also his Hartley Break badge (as picture). The tie shoot for the title showed W. L. Brinkworth as winner, with nine additional "kills" (three second barrels), McMiken, 8/9 (in shoot-off) and C. J. Benton (New Plymouth), third — Benton missed his first target in the shoot-off. Brinkworth and McMiken are club-mates at Hamilton (N.Z.).

Results as published in New Zealand show Jack McCraith securing a cut with three others in a sweepstake event—all with possibles. The New Zealand Skeet Championship was won by A. D. Taylor from A. D. Wareham; 44 nominated. The event was shot in heavy rain. In a tie shoot Taylor stopped a further 23 and the runner-up 22.

## CHARTERS TOWERS (Qld.).—

The Diggers' Clay Pigeon Club at Charters Towers has every reason to be gratified at the support being accorded it recently, and which was shown at last week-end's shoot. Certainly a great ground, possessing features unlike any of the kind in Australia, it is hoped this year to stage the Commonwealth Championships at Charters Towers. With a tower of 45 feet, a double decker, with two traps, capable of birds going in any direction, it is claimed to be the only one of its kind in Australia, and the ground generally is hailed as of world standard.

It is of interest that all profits obtained go to alleviate distressed Diggers, the first club with such an objective to be formed in this country, their assets now aggregating up to £800, and the club has been favoured with patronage from one of Australia's best shots in Jim Smith, who, incidentally, failed to win a major event here.

Last shoot on July 8, under ideal conditions, saw some outstanding shooting and tall scores. Bill Baxter and Barney Colless had a keen tussle. The details were: 5-bird Single-barrel: W. Edmondson, S. Worsfold,

P. McDonald. 10-bird Double-barrel Point Shooting: Clem Walker, 1st; Roy Knuth, 2nd; Gidgea Archer, 3rd. 5-bird Single-barrel: S. Worsfold, R. Berryman, F. Peachey. 4-bird Walk-up, President's Trophy: R. Knuth, 1st; F. Peachey, 2nd; B. Colless, 3rd. 5-bird Single-barrel: G. Nelson, P. Baxter, S. Worsfold, R. Knuth, W. Archer, P. McDonald, A. Hammond, A. Castres, S. Ball. 5-bird Single-barrel: B. Colless, S. Worsfold, R. Berryman, A. Terry, R. Knuth, W. Archer. 5-bird Single-barrel: W. Baxter, S. Worsfold, B. Colless, J. Brownson, R. Berryman, S. Ball, R. Knuth, F. Peachey, L. Young. First Miss-out of 23 yards: A. Castres.

(Extract from Charters Towers newspaper, forwarded by club secretary, F. R. Donaghey.)

**HOLBROOK (N.S.W.).**—The Holbrook Gun Club conducted its clay bird Club Championship at mixed birds, 5 birds single-barrel, 5 birds double-barrel, 5 birds walk-up and 5 pairs double-rise for the J. O. Cox

Trophy. On July 18 a £25 Handicap, 15 birds Double-barrel, was included on the programme. It was a most successful shoot, shooters from Albury, Rutherglen, Henty, Ganmain, Wagga, Mangoplah, Mullengandra and Bowna participating. The Club Championship went to the popular and ever-green Ted Matthews, of Bowna, who had held the championship in the year 1942; his score was 13/20. Johnny Cox, of Mangoplah, and Allan Gray, of Holbrook, tied for second with a score of 12/20. Bill O'Brien, of Holbrook, the previous holder who shot a record score of 19/20 in 1950, was third with Ray Hall, of Wagga, with a score of 11/20. The £25 Handicap resulted in a tie between Allan Gray, of Holbrook, and Lynch Creasy, of Mangoplah, with the very fine score of 15/15; these two shooters divided the 1st and 2nd money. Bill O'Brien, of Holbrook, took 3rd money with a score of 14/15.

Other events resulted: 5-bird D.B. Sweepstake: div. "Johnno" (Johnny

Cox, Mangoplah), A. Terrill (Rutherglen), Lox Creasy (Mangoplah), Bill O'Brien, N. Plunkett, P. Gibbons (Ganmain), A. Helwig (Henty), 5/5. 5-bird D.B. Sweepstake: div. L. Hanel (Albury), D. Gittings (Albury), J. Kelly (Ganmain), J. Gibbons (Ganmain), J. McMaster (Burrumbuttock), Pop. Shipard (Albury), 5/5. 5-bird D.B. Sweepstake: div. L. Hanel, Ollie Cox (Mangoplah), "Johnno", A. Helwig, J. McMaster, 5/5. 5-bird S.B. Sweepstake: div. Ted Matthews (Bowna), C. Angel (The Rock), 5/5. 5-bird Walk-up Sweepstake: div. L. Hanel, J. Kelly, 4/5. 5 pairs Double-Rise Sweepstake: div. L. Stoll (Mangoplah), P. Gibbons and C. Hicks (Mullengandra). (H. Burge, Hon. Sec.)

**SOUTH COAST (Surfers Paradise, Q.).**—Our shoot which was held on 14th July attracted quite a large crowd of spectators and shooters. The results were as follows: 5-bird Double-barrel, A. Hicks (1), 5/5; T. Stone (2), 4/5. Beginners' Legacy Trophy: A. Hicks (1), 5/5. 5-bird Walk-up: C. Whitney (1), 7/7; A. Hicks (2), 6/7. Deauville Doubles: N. Gorrie and H. J. Smith, 5/5.

Afternoon tea was again provided by the local branch of the Red Cross Society. Four ladies faced the trap in the afternoon for a trial shoot at the clays. Mrs. Pruden was the first to register a "kill", then followed "kills" by Mrs. Thorsborne, Mrs. C. Whitney and Mrs. Stumm. No doubt in the near future our programme will include a ladies' event. Our President, Mr. G. S. Martin, returned from his visit to Singapore a few weeks ago. "G.S." is "rearing to go" and no doubt with the energy he is putting into matters in connection with the South Coast Gun Club, we should soon be on the shooting map. It is hoped to send two car loads of shooters from our club to the newly formed club at Casino. We would be happy to welcome Casino shooters at any of our club competitions in the near future, and we hope Casino has a successful opening.

(A. G. Sturgess, Hon. Sec.)

#### PERTH.

Results of events held on July 14 at Perth Club grounds were: Deauville Doubles: Ed. Metcalf - W. Sharp (1); S. Colliver - G. Oliver (2); J.

Williamson - L. Mitchell (3). A ten birder, single-barrel, resulted in a win for T. Blakely, with J. Williamson and C. Ferguson div. the placings.

Have just had a look over the new grounds at Geraldton (written prior to big shoot last week-end in July) and we take our hats off to the Geraldton Club for a really good job. The lay-out is perfect and some fine shooting should result during the big championships.

(Tom Powell, Publicity Officer.)

#### BALMORAL

The Balmoral Gun Club held its Club Championship on Saturday, July 28. It was a perfect afternoon for shooting, and shooters were present from Edenhope, Horsham, Cavendish and Hamilton. Thirty shooters lined up for the championship, 15 clay birds D.B. off the 15 yards mark. The shooting was exceptionally good, two breaking the full 15 birds and five others breaking 14 birds. G. G. Pern and C. Jenkinson (Horsham), 15/15, shot on for first trophy, and C. Jenkinson missing his third release, 17/18, G. G. Pern gained the Trophy, 18/18, Jenkinson taking the second prize. A 12-yard trophy went to D. Forrest (Edenhope), 14/15; a 13/14 yard trophy was won by A. McPhee, 14/15.

Details of shoot: No. 1, 5-bird D.B. (compulsory division): L. Perry, 5/5; C. Jenkinson, 5/5; E. M. Duncan, 5/5; M. Malloy (Hamilton), 5/5; W. F. Duncan, 5/5; A. Forrest (Edenhope), 5/5; H. Vaughan (Hamilton), 5/5; E. Bertram, 5/5; V. Coates (Cavendish), 5/5; O. Mayfield (Cavendish), 5/5. No. 2, Club Championship, 15 birds D.B. off 15 yards: G. G. Pern, 1st, 18/18; C. Jenkinson, 17/18; 12 yard shooter, D. Forrest, 14/15; 13/14 yard shooter, A. McPhee, 14/15. No. 3, 5-bird S.B.: won by K. Allen (Horsham), 5/5. Four shooters divided second and third money: O. Mayfield, D. Forrest, E. M. Duncan, O. Mayfield, 4/4.

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(W. F. Duncan, President.)

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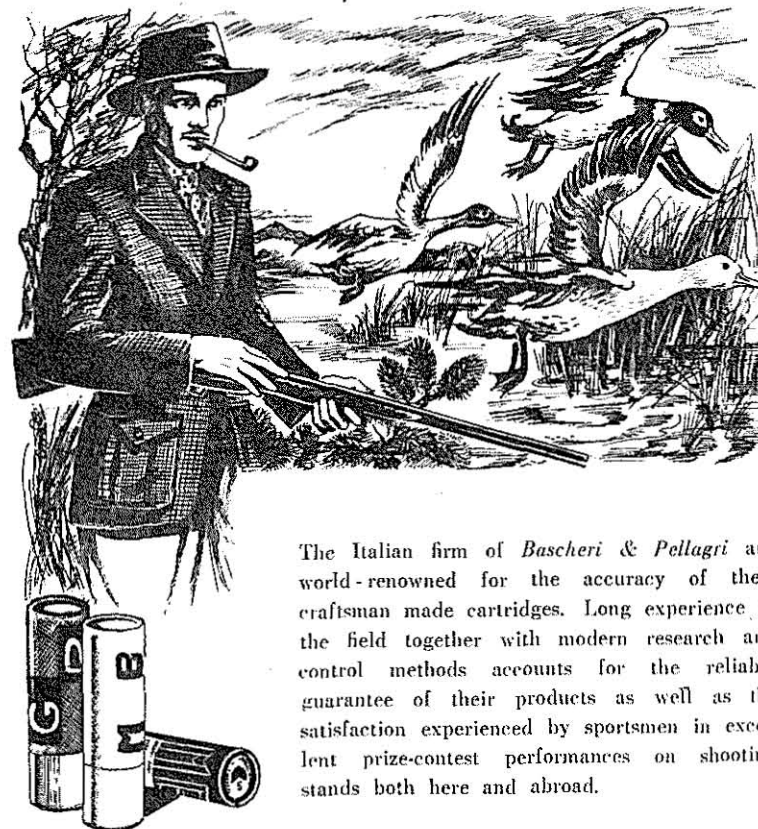
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