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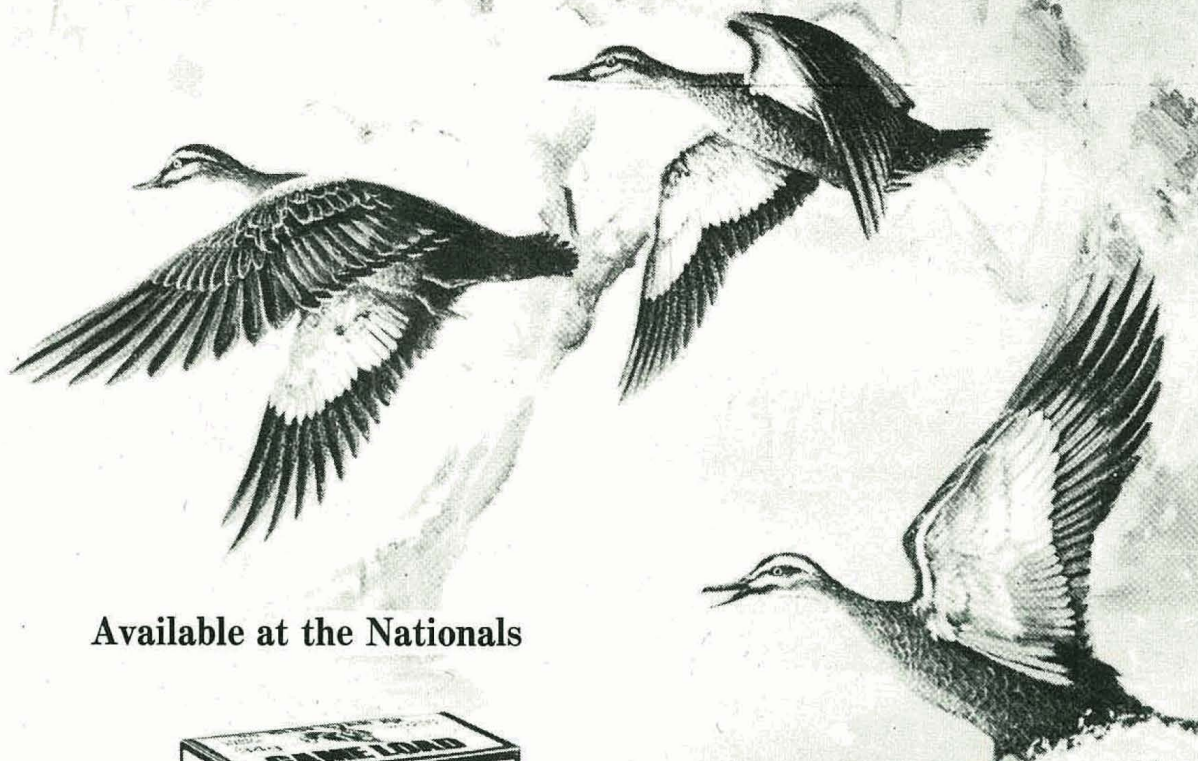
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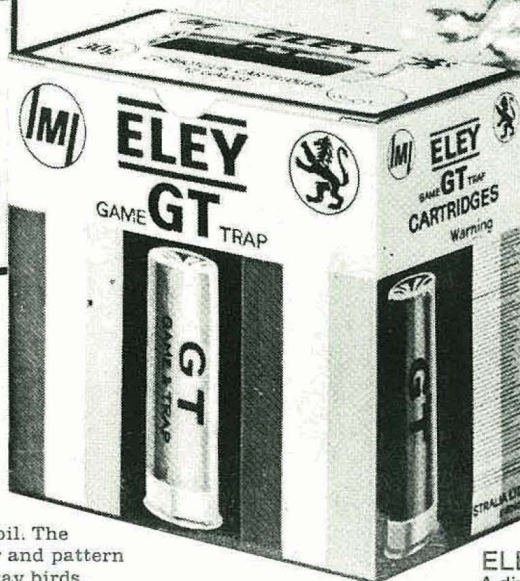


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SECRETARY'S NOTES

The end of 1977 is coming very close and we are into the enjoyable series of Christmas Shooting Programs. This is the program, where traditionally, everybody is "looked after".

However, it is also a time of the year where competitors should give some thought to the people who made the afternoon's recreation possible. Of the 9000 members now competing in clay target shooting a very small percentage is directly involved in the administration of the sport. There is another category (fortunately very small) which seems to be intent on destroying the sport it should be trying to develop.

There is the group of knockers — knockers come in three forms. The first is the more honest because he identified himself openly. He is very vocal, and every word he speaks is in critical vein, with no attempt to provide suggestions to overcome the problem about which he is so deeply concerned. I am sure that some in his category have good intentions — if so they must be encouraged to support their criticisms with some constructive suggestions. IF THIS CONDITION CAN'T BE MET, THE GROWLER DOESN'T DESERVE A HEARING!

Which brings us to the second type of knocker — a little less militant than the first but equally as dangerous. He is the guy who provides the audience for the 'vocal' type — that's right, the listener. He takes in all he hears, believes every word, adds his own frills and interpretation and ultimately develops enough knowledge to "graduate" to the first group.

Finally, there is the real quiet feller! In 90% of these cases, it appears that this type doesn't recognise that he has a problem — he is easily identified however, because he drops his empty cartridge or cigarette packets on the ground. He gets ten points out of ten for consistency because he also either drops his empty beer can on the ground or leaves it on the Clubhouse table — there is always someone else who will do the cleaning up. THIS IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH!

We can surely still have a good time AND put a little back into the sport. I recently heard a prominent shooter comment that a Club he had visited didn't appeal because it was untidy — WHO MADE IT

UNTIDY? That's right! WE made it untidy. Another common problem is a lack of referee's. WHO SHOULD BE REFEREEING? That's right! WE should be refereeing! So in 1978 not only do we each need to introduce a friend to clay target shooting but we need to do just a little more work around Clubs, and the resulting improvement in standards will make it easier for new members to decide to stay.

Back to the Christmas spirit — we do tend to get off the track occasionally. When you attend your Club's Christmas shoot, make a point of telling the President and Secretary that you appreciate their efforts, and the efforts of the Committee. Also tell the Shoot Marshall or Club Captain that you realise the difficulty confronting him in the sense that not only does he have to keep the program running but he also wants to shoot well — a combination which is not easy to achieve. Go and tell the ladies doing the afternoon tea that one of the main reasons you attend the Club is because of her good looks or because the sandwiches are the best you've ever had.

Christmas shoots are happy occasions — while you are enjoying it, make someone else happy too! Oh, by the way, while you are happy, PLEASE PAY YOUR 1978 REGISTRATION FEE to the Club Secretary.

The November issue of CTSN proved that miracles can happen. Everybody in Australia is aware that Victoria (yes CTSN is printed in Victoria) suffered a disastrous strike by maintenance workers in the State Electricity Commission, which resulted in all industry grinding almost to a complete standstill. Naturally, because printing presses use power, our printer was seriously affected.

Additionally, it was just five days prior to the due date for distribution of the issue that we became aware of the seriousness of the accommodation problem in Adelaide, which necessitated the urgent preparation of the insert setting out details of what will be available.

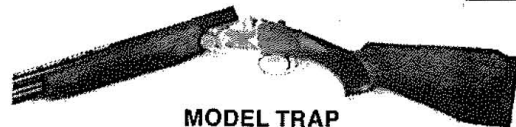
In spite of all of these set-backs, Waterwheel Press were able to meet the distribution deadline. Very few of the readers will fully understand the demands which were made on the staff of the "Press" but the Administration Unit is very grateful. A lot of work has gone into establishing a principle of early distribution of each issue of CTSN and it is reassuring to have the backing of a printer who also has a sense of responsibility.

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SHOTSHELL RELOADING

by PAT BROWNE

Part III MECHANICS 2

Let us recap on what we have looked at to date. Part I covered components and preliminary advice on cases. Part II covered the machinery and its uses. This month, we will start to actually reload some shells and look at some of the problems that can occur and how they are overcome. As we progress, you will probably notice some handy tips that will save you time and make the job just that much more pleasant.

For this exercise, in the text I am using a "Texan FW" single stage press and Winchester AA cases and matching components. There is no specific reason that I chose this combination but for the fact that I am more familiar with these materials than others. The same principles apply, however, to all other presses and components. The type of shell being loaded is a standard type trap or skeet load 1-1/8 oz. that produces a muzzle velocity of a nominal 1200 fps. The technique used is my own which has served me well over many years at the loading bench.

Layout of Loading Bench

The obvious place to start is the layout of your bench, and this will depend on the press that you use. Some presses work from left to right, and others the other way round. So, place your empties on the side you will commence operations and your container for finished shells on the other. In the case of the "Texan FW" operations, start on the right hand side and finish on the left, so this is the way we will describe the bench.

I like to work my reloading in batches of 50 and so I set up a tray of 50 empty cases on the right. In front of the press, I have a shallow tray for primers, and I remove them from their packing for ease of handling. On the left, I have a container for wads and another tray for the completed shells. Doing things this way makes for a tidy

bench and less chance of error. I have nothing at all on the bench that is not concerned with the particular shell I am loading, this way you can be sure that there will be no error involved. Neatness and tidiness is a prerequisite for shotshell reloading and cannot be stressed too much. So much for the layout of your bench, we now move to the setting up of your press for the process of reloading a batch of shells.

Setting up your Press

Now, there are some very important things you must do prior to a reloading session. Your press should be bolted securely to a firm bench and it is empty, in other words, there is no shot or powder in the containers. Depending on what type of charge bar you are using the following is the procedure. If it is a fixed bar with shot at a selected weight one side and a pre-determined charge of a specified powder on the other, no worries, put it in the press at this stage making sure that it is in the right way. Most presses are made so that it will only go in the correct way. Put adjustable charge bars in also at this stage, the adjustment will come later. Select the correct bushes for both shot and powder for bars with removable bushes, assemble the lot and put it in the press. This now leaves you with everything set up on the measuring side but nothing done on the tooling side.

The only operations that you can check at this stage are the decap and re-size and the re-prime stations. Do this at this time making sure that the re-size die goes all the way down to the bottom and that the re-sized shell ejects from the die. With the re-prime station, make sure that the primer seats properly and to the correct depth.

At this stage, load your containers or hoppers with shot and powder making sure they are on the correct side of the press. Set your scales up close handy and zero them.

We now come to the most important part of the setting up of procedure and close attention to detail at this point will give you a good finished shell. With fixed type charge bars or bars with interchangeable bushes no measuring should be done at this stage. Adjustable charge bars should be set to throw the correct weight of powder by adjusting the screw and weighing each charge until it is within two grains preferably on the minus side. You are now to the point where you can actually run a shell through the press to check all your operations and adjust for wad depth and crimp. Do just that, take an empty hull, re-size an de-cap it, re-prime and under the charging station, throw a charge of powder. Insert a wad and adjust the drop tube so that the wad seats to the correct depth. A word on wad depths would be in order at this stage.

Firstly, forget the wad pressure gauge if your press has one. The thing to remember is that we are talking about plastic wads and no pressure is necessary in fact, in some cases, the opposite is required. The reason for this will be discussed in the ballistics section later, but if you are at all worried about this statement try a little experiment.

Take an empty hull and load it to the stage of dropping your powder charge, adjust your press to give you 50lb of wad pressure and insert your wad. With the handle of the press fully depressed, mark the drop tube to indicate the depth of the bottom of the shot cup from the mouth of the shell. Release the pressure and let the shell stand for a minute or so. Lower your drop tube again until it just touches the bottom of the shot cup and note the difference. The wad will have moved back up the shell 1/16" or more. This indicates that all you did was collapse the cushioning fingers of the wad, thus destroying one of the main functions of the plastic wad.

So, the main point is in the case of most shells is to seat the wad so it just sits firmly on the powder. The only exception to this rule was with the Winchester powders, 1450 LS and 1500 HS, where you set the wad depth to leave the correct space at the mouth of the shell for a proper crimp. I said "was" in this case because these powders have now been superseded and the new powders conform to the normal pattern of seating the wad.

Drop your shot load with the drop tube in the down position. On the Texan "LT", remember to lift the shell to the drop tube as this press has no telescopic extension. Now, if you are using matched components the space left at the mouth of the shell for crimping takes care of itself. If you deviate from the norm, some problems arise. An instance of this would be the using of second hand wads with the middle collapsed. The optimum depth for a good crimp from the top of the shot which should be level with the petals of your wad to the mouth of the shell is a nominal 10mm. This distance is nominal and experience will soon teach you if you need slightly more or less with the particular press you are using, but as I say, matched components are designed to give this depth automatically.

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SHOTSHELL RELOADING Cont'd

back to its original position. Adjust the depth of your starting die so that the mouth of the shell is pushed in to leave about 1/8" opening. This is all you need worry about at this station. Move your shell now to the crimp finishing station and apply the final crimp. The crimping die is usually in two parts. The outside applies the slight taper to the outside of the front end of the shell while the plunger in the middle folds the crimp into its final position and locks it into that position. This locking action is a "toggle" effect. The star crimp when pushed into position correctly, should leave the mouth of the shell as neat as a factory load.

This "toggle" effect is a combination of both the plunger and the outside die and adjustment is critical for a correctly crimped shell. When the crimp is finally set in position, it is locked and under normal circumstances should not open. If it does look for other reasons which we will cover later. There is absolutely no need to seal the end of the shell under normal conditions.

You have now completed all your tooling adjustments and you have a completed shell, discard it! As all it was used for was to adjust your tooling. I keep a box handy for such shells and when I have a quantity, I spend some time salvaging the components. The next step is to run another two shells through the press and discard them also. The reason for this will become obvious when we talk about technique. Now, we get down to business with the next shell. Run it through to the stage of dropping your powder charge and empty this charge into the scale pan, tap the case with a pencil to make sure you get all the powder out of the case. Weigh the charge and make final adjustment to your charge bar if it is an adjustable one, and make sure you tighten the lock nut. Pour the powder back into the shell and finish the process. It is not a bad idea to check the weight of your shot load at this stage also. Check the next five shells that you do and will find that your powder weight suddenly becomes very consistent and at this stage, you are ready to move into top gear.

Consistency of Technique — The Key to Success

You are now ready to commence a reloading session and the key to success is consistency. Develop a basic rhythm and stick to it. Don't rush, work steadily and you will be surprised how many reloads you can turn out. Let us pursue the consistency bit some more. Every time you pull the handle of the press, you bump and shake the whole press a little. Over the whole reloading cycle, the press gets a certain number of bumps. Each bump settles the powder a little more in the hopper and charge bar. This is the reason for setting your adjustable charge bar about two grains light and for discarding the first few shells of the reloading session. Also this bumping and shaking is the reason for weighing the first six or so shells that come off the press as this indicates when the press has settled down to throw consistent weights of powder. Consistency in this context means within plus or minus half a grain. When this consistency is achieved as long as you stick to the same number of bumps on each cycle, you will get the same result each time.

So, there you have it, your first excursion into loading shotshells and you must agree that it is not that difficult. Next month we will in "Mechanics 3", have a look at multi stage or turret presses and what to look for in technique with them.

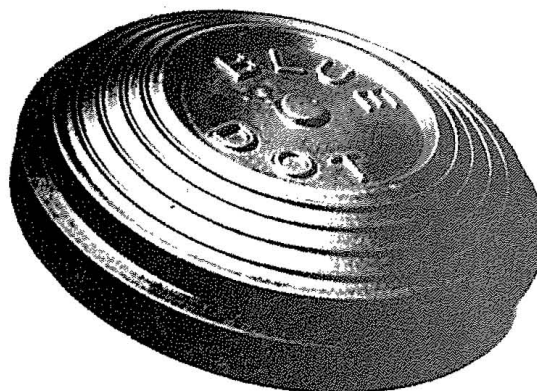
Who's Who?

All the States of Australia are different as we all know, and this thought was quite appropriate when it appeared recently in a Trade Journal in the following form:

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- The Sydney Morning Herald is read by the people who think they ought to run the country.
- The Melbourne Herald is read by the wives of the people who run the country.
- The Financial Review is read by the people who own the country.
- The Western Australian is read by the people who think the Eastern States run the country.
- The Sydney Daily Mirror is read by those who don't care who runs the country as long as they have got big breasts.
- The Hobart Mercury and The Melbourne Sun are read by the people who think the country ought to be run the way it used to be run.
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A CATALOGUE OF AN AMATEUR'S ERRORS

Although I felt honoured to represent the A.C.T.A. at the 4th Open Championships of New Caledonia I travelled with the attitude of a tourist en route to a picnic shoot with a clearly defined diplomatic brief. This attitude was wrong to the point of negligence.

The Australian contingent was met at the airport and expedited through Customs by no less than the President of Ligue de Tir (A.S.A. equivalent) and the Secretary of the C.T.C. (A.C.T.A. equivalent), transport direct to the shooting grounds, instant press and television exposure; introduction to a novel financial arrangement, a simple method of cartridge selection and finally a rapid but adequate tour of the immaculate shooting grounds. One should have caught the international flavour, I have been there before in other sports. It is only too easy to be negligent when ones room overlooks a blue lagoon.

This was to be the pattern of the six day event. Impeccable organisation, immaculate conduct of the shoot and above all a very warm welcome. Press and television coverage was a daily event and the frequent visits of the most senior administrators of the country, who seemed genuinely interested, could not have been accidental.

I found myself on the international jury but was less worried when realization dawned that there was not one qualified U.I.T. referee on the ground. Apart from such standard duties as squad allocation the jury was only called once in the six days to vote upon a technical point in the Olympic Skeet. The U.I.T. rules as always, were crystal clear, and the secret ballot unanimous.

The meeting of the International Committee was equally well organised and the agenda strictly adhered to.

My attitude was strictly along A.C.T.A. lines but I felt obliged to enquire regarding the attitude of New Caledonia to the U.I.T. and F.I.T.A.S.C. (Federation Internationale de Tir Aux Armes Sportives de Chasse).

The answer was simple. The New Caledonians are affiliated to both U.I.T. and F.I.T.A.S.C. Their uncomplicated life is apparent only. I sensed the usual poor lines of communication at this end of the world. Next year "Parcours de Chasse" will be added to the pro-

gram and a world championship (F.I.T.A.S.C.) will be held in this event. If I were to be granted one wish in this context I would like "Parcours de Chasse" to be called just that. Not "simulated field events" and so on. (After all we all know what skeet means.) Let us use the correct international term for their new event from the outset. I will leave it to the National Secretary for a professional appreciation of the agenda and discussion.

The outcome of my discussions with M. Eyssartier, the equivalent of our Minister for Youth, Sport and Recreation are still indecisive and the National Secretary of the A.C.T.A. is fully informed. I can only comment on the incredible interest shown by the Minister in matters related to a comparatively minor sport. I feel that he expects the sport to grow and I am sure he is accurate in his prediction. It is also easy to understand his pride in the C.T.C.

The scores are reported elsewhere and do not reflect the true capability of the Australian contingent who were poorly organised. Poor organisation is unforgivable in international sporting events and there should be no doubt that this event is a true international competition; big time atmosphere in a small place, no quarter asked or given. Next year let us not repeat my mistakes.

The closing ceremony was formal and, as usual, efficient. My address was written and spoken only in French. Our National Secretary can supply a translation if he sees fit. I declined a translation on the lines that French, the diplomatic language, loses too much in translation, and that valuable time would be saved. I feel that the implied compliment was well taken by the French administration. I received a "bird which barks" on behalf of the A.C.T.A. (Incidentally, the Cagou was thought to be extinct but a new nest has been found by shooters and is being closely guarded by their organisation). I would be desolate to be separated from this "purple heart" of hangovers.

A final and most gracious touch was made at the presentation by the Nelis Brothers who provided an opal pendant as a mark of appreciation for the wives of the senior officials of C.T.C. All wives were not present and, lost in the rush, I got to kiss the Treasurer who was standing in for his wife!

The remainder of the time was spent in entertaining and being entertained and was probably the most rewarding period in terms of exchange of ideas. It is a significant reflection on the deportment of the Australians that so many invitations were given and accepted; when men of goodwill have a common interest, language barriers are non-existent.

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GAME STAMPS FOR COLLECTORS

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Dr Raymond Young shares an opinion with Gordon Nelis (Brisbane).

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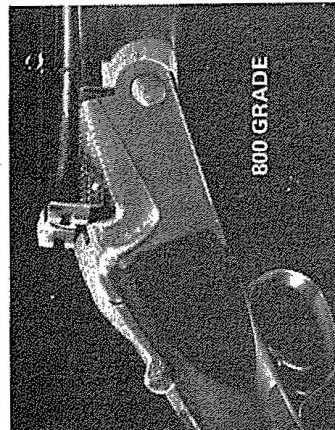
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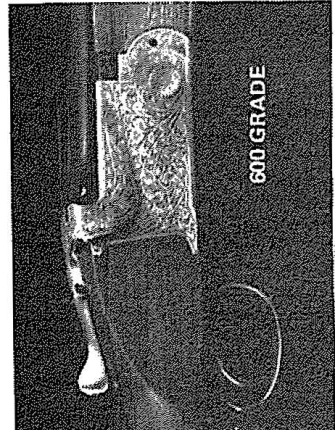
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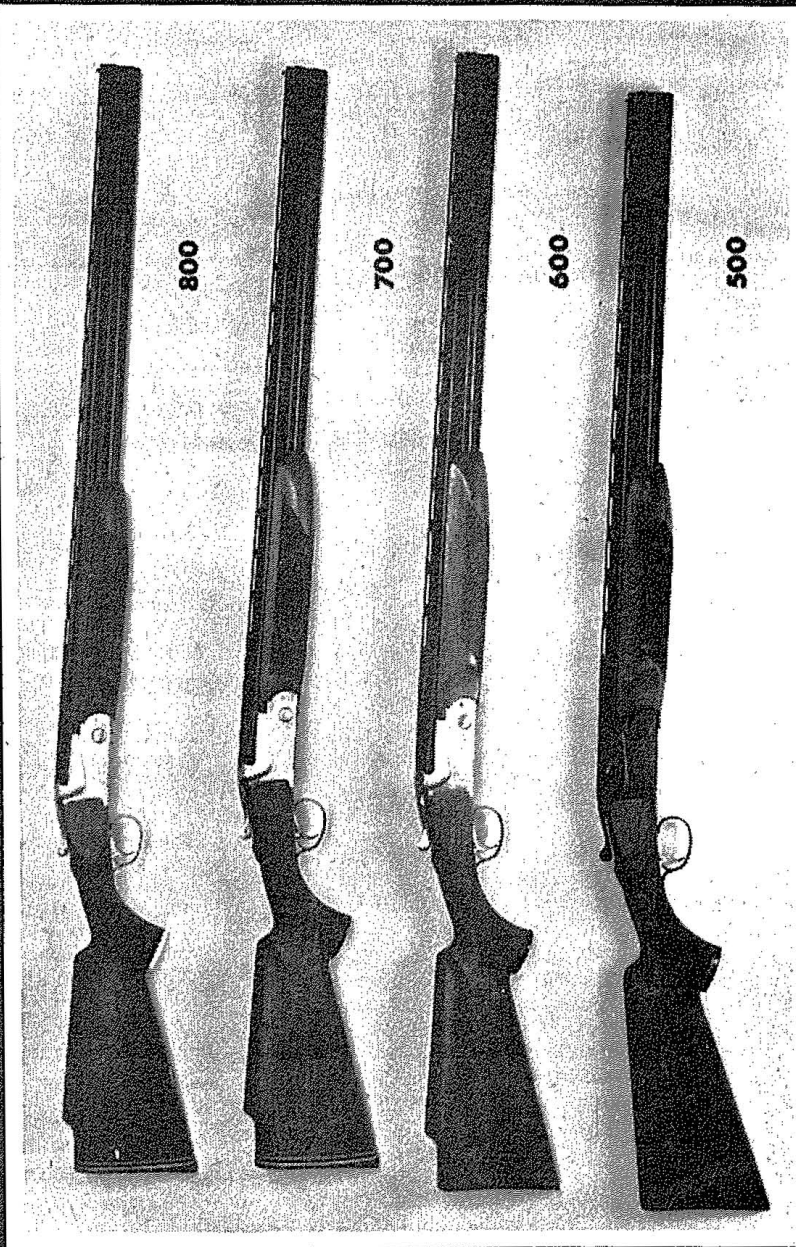


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"The following comments are my own views and, as my wife would say, "do not necessarily express the views of the management." At first sight, Universal (5 trap) trench, Olympic skeet and ball trap are unusual bedfellows.

Universal trench is difficult and great fun. There appears to be no advantage held by shooters who have trained on an Olympic trench. I would think that Universal trench would be useless for Olympic training but its appeal lies in the challenge and that any good shot can make a show.

To my mind the C.T.C. showed great courage to convert to U.I.T. skeet; imagine the howls of protest in Australia.

Ball trap is probably more difficult for the inexperienced than D.T.L. but once again, is a novel event.

In the New Caledonian Championships one sees a means of introduction to international shooting, all the atmosphere in disciplines which any person, who is a true shooter, can compete on equal terms in his grade.

One also sees a departure from the American standards which have infected Australia. Ball trap, if used at full speed, would be reasonably similar to an Olympic trench event. If all clubs in Australia "sunk in" at least one of their traps we might find a hundred naturals. (Of course 5 multi-oscillating traps "En Fosse" would be better.) This will never happen of course. For instance, Australia trains its biggest and fastest boys to play a game, or should I say a religion, where strictly non-international football is the rule! However, if this is "their thing" it must be respected.

The highlights of the shoot for me were the magnificently sustained efforts of Barry Nelis, who crunched up targets like a Russian, the big match temperament of Vince Mollica who climbed out of his "hole" when the team was in need, the way in which a bunch of barely acquainted Australians closed the ranks to become a family, and above all Tony Rowe's survival of an evening with Dupuy: — "Foy Pour Devoir!"

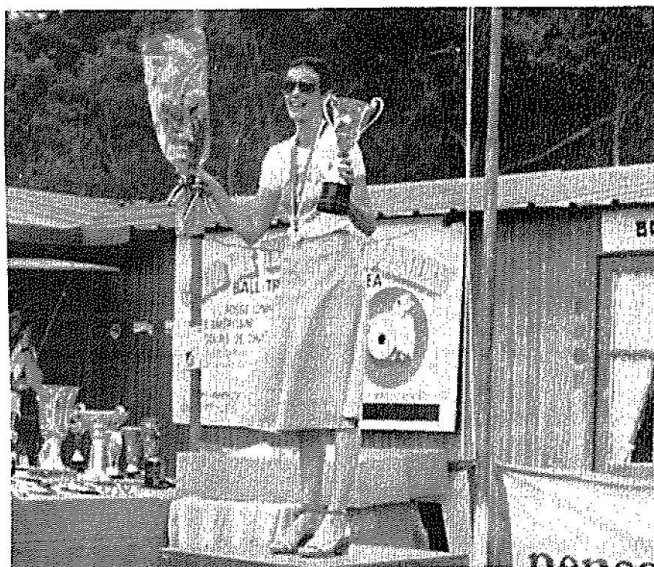
We are all so ignorant of the psychological aspects of trapshooting. Homespun philosophy is no substitute for Freud, Adler, Bergler et al. At least we can become "professional" in this respect and what better pilot scheme than a non Olympic International competition.

In the unlikely event of my being asked to represent the A.C.T.A. again next year I would request a mandate to pre-select the teams,

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Australia's successful Ball Trap team — from left: Barry Nelis (partly obscured), Vin Mollica, Alan Bould and Gordon Nelis.



An excited Jenny Young after winning the Ladies Division of the Universal Trap Championship



Dr Raymond Young (left) after being placed second in the Ball Trap Championship (C Grade).

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limit the ammunition on practice days and to throw Vince's S.O.4 in to the sea. This is for openers! A vastly and more attractive proposition would be for the A.C.T.A. to send George Biggs. He can shoot too!

In summary, what can we learn?

1) — Against the silence of absence of communication from the world leaders of our sport one almost hears the hoofbeats of another four horsemen; despair, disillusionment, dichotomy and debilitation.

The question in my mind is one of loyalty and mutual interdisciplinary respect. "Is it nobler in the mind" to wait patiently for rapport with the world leadership or should we "take arms" and make our faces known?

I believe the need to be well recognised and respected is most urgent.

2) — Any sportsman who demands hand-outs from Governments or Industry is without insight or pride. An alternative is to earn the friendship of fellow sportsmen overseas and to demonstrate to Governments their advantages to assist. Involved as we are in the minor sport, our first steps by needs must be small. It is not a new philosophy that the longest journey begins with one step.

Governments own Airlines, Hotels, regulate tariffs and appreciate the income from tourism. It might be another matter to obtain concessions for visitors in this area if international solidarity were obvious.

3) — There appears to be some indication of International dichotomy when it seems that the U.I.T. have abandoned universal trench and ball trap to the F.I.T.A.S.C. and that the latter are gaining strength with the enthusiastic reception of Parcours de Chasse.

This tends to push Australia more into isolationism since the vast majority of our trap shooters follow a discipline foreign to either International organisation.

This is where mutual respect within Australia should come to the fore and it behoves us to remember that trap shooting is a game. It would seem that Australian trap shooters must remain "amateurs"; let us relax and enjoy it. Dedicated men will always plough their own furrow.

The New Caledonians might appear to divide their loyalties but I believe that, for them, it is a matter of necessity rather than convenience.

These charming people invented "entente Cordiale" and perhaps they are indicating a path for the future.

A small club of some 60 members brilliantly organised a multidiscipline international event. Their gross takings about \$20,000, their profit \$1,000. Above all, the magnificent trophies.

This adds up to intelligence, dedication, foresight and lack of greed. Shooting for the sake of shooting, the name of the game.

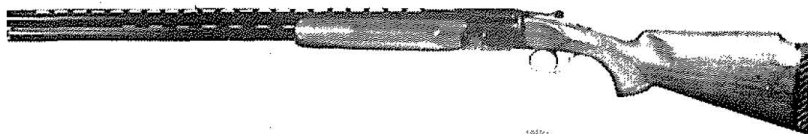
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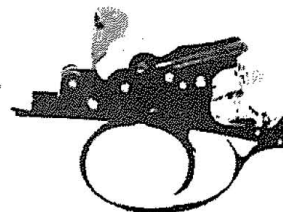
Some of the placegetters at the 4th New Caledonian Shooting Championships.

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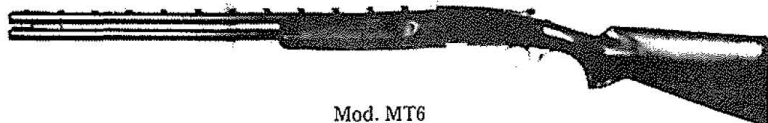
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TRAPSHOOTING . . .

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The author — Elgin Gates

Probably no single factor affects clay target shooters as much as recoil, which is the basic cause of flinching and a host of other problems. If recoil could be effectively eliminated, scores would increase dramatically.

A while back I witnessed an amazing demonstration wherein a loaded 12 ga. shotgun was laid on a table without any restraint and fired. Other than a slight quiver, the gun did not move backward a fraction of an inch! Subsequently, I fired the gun from my shoulder. The sensation was similar to shooting a .22 rimfire rifle.

The principle involved was a very clever utilization of gas flow directed backward from strategically located ports. The major drawback with this system is to make the gun rather bulky, and to reduce somewhat the velocity of the shot. Whether these faults can be overcome and the recoilless feature retained is problematical.

In the meantime, recoil goes on to a greater or lesser degree, affecting shooters accordingly. Some recoil-sensitive shooters have turned to one of the gas operated autoloaders for relief. By effective use of the gas blow-back system and a series of springs, gun engineers and designers have reduced recoil to a marked degree. By the same token, the rather delicate parts used in these guns are prone to breakage, reducing their reliability as well as recoil.

For the man with a conventional over/under gun, there are two devices available in America that can be installed, and which will reduce recoil to some extent. The first, and least used, is the Hydrocoil. In simple terms, the stock is made in two pieces with a series of cushioning springs between. Recoil is definitely reduced, but the effect, to me, is rather disconcerting. When fired, there is no great push against the shoulder from the butt of the stock, but the rest of the gun jumps back in your hands as the springs are compressed, producing a sort of unreal sensation. This could be overcome by continued shooting to get used to it. I know several trap shooters with physical handicaps that will not allow them to shoot a conventional gun, but who have learned to use the hydrocoil with good success.

The second and most widely used device, which is usually installed in the butt end of the stock is a spring-loaded lead slug enclosed in a casing. The principle involved is that when the gun starts to move back in recoil the heavy lead slug does not attain inertia as rapidly and acts as a shock absorber as the spring compresses against it.

There are other devices on the market that use the same principle, and which are designed to be inserted in either barrel of any over/

under gun. In Australia where double barrel shooting is dominant, this device would only be of use in single barrel shooting.

There are several options regarding their effectiveness, and the claim is made that the added weight of the lead itself tends to reduce recoil. I agree in part. Added weight does reduce recoil. If, for example, you had a 12 ga. shotgun that weighed fifty pounds, it would scarcely move when fired, but would, of course, be much too heavy to effectively shoot from the shoulder. A few oldtimers I know used to remove the butt pad of their guns and pour the attaching screw cavity of the stock full of lead shot, sometimes even drilling extra holes to add additional shot. The original reason for this was to change the balance point of the gun. A by-product of the extra weight resulted in reduced recoil.

My personal opinion of the manufactured inertia type recoil reducers is that their effectiveness is about 80% the added weight of the lead and perhaps 20% the result of inertia action.

I've installed the type that fits in the stock in most of my trap guns for three reasons: (1) I can swing smoother with a heavier gun. (2) I prefer the balance point to be a little farther back than most factory guns come with. (3) The effectiveness of the reducer, if only of minimal effect, say even 5%, is worth the installation.

From early experience, I'm well aware of the fact that nothing will belt the hell out of a man's face as thoroughly as an ill-fitting, light weight, over/under shotgun. By light, I mean in the six to seven pound category — and most o/u's fall in this range.

I began to realize what it was all about when I had a new stock made years ago for my first superposed gun. The factory stock did not fit well and the new stock was made to rectify this. Fortunately, the stockmaker used a fancy grade of dense, close-grained walnut that was nearly a pound heavier than my old stock. This also moved the balance point considerably back, bringing a strong complaint on my part. Aside from this, the fit was good, and upon firing it I was immediately aware of reduced recoil. Nonetheless, I went roaring back to the stockmaker about the balance, and he restored the original balance point by adding strips of lead inside the forearm, increasing the overall weight even more.

At present, my over/under trap guns weigh just over 10 pounds, including the recoil reducer (which weighs a half pound) and my autoloaders come in at 9 3/4 pounds, all having the same balance point.

The thing is, I've never been to a trap shoot that I haven't seen men being punished by the recoil of ill-fitting, light weight shotguns. I've seen band-aids, patches and bandages appear on the side of their faces as well as raw, bloody wounds as they gamely continue to shoot. Trapshooting is supposed to be an enjoyable sport but these people weren't enjoying it.

The whole point is, until some clever inventor comes up with a device that will totally eliminate recoil and its myriad by-products without affecting the shooting characteristics of the gun, the sensible solution is simply to make the best of the situation. My solution has been to increase the weight of my guns, add the existing recoil reducers and strive for perfect stock fit. As a consequence, recoil has ceased to be a serious problem, allowing me to enjoy the sport the way it should be enjoyed.

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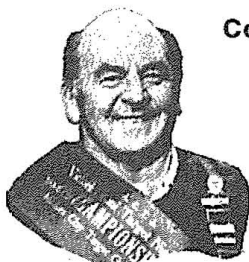
Having said all that, it must also be added that a small number of journals were issued with pages 1-16 and 49-64 included twice and pages 17-48 missing completely. To those of our members who received an incomplete copy, please accept our apologies — a new copy is available on request to the National Office.

In conclusion, the National President, your Executive Committee and the Administrative Unit wishes all our members, their families and friends, our National Advertisers, and anyone else we reach through this publication a very sincere

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NATIONALS '78

It is now about three months away from the 1978 National Clay Target Championships and plans are well advanced for making the staging of them the biggest promotion ever undertaken by the A.C.T.A. Bob Mules, President of the South Australian Clay Target Association and his State Secretary Doug Prescott are deeply involved in recruiting a team which will administer the titles. Referees are required and any qualified Skeet or Trap Referee who wishes to assist should contact Doug Prescott at 417 South Road, Keswick S.A. 3035. The rate of pay will be \$50 per trap per day and it is intended to roster two referees to each ground — this means a fee of \$25 to each referee each day!

The Shoot Marshal has been named — he is George Breman, a well known identity at all recent Nationals and a man widely accepted for his impartiality. Publicity has been left in the capable hands of Pat Browne Shotgun Editor for Australian Shooters' Journal magazine. Accommodation and travel arrangements are in the hands of the ACTA's recently appointed travel consultants, Jetset Tours Aust. Pty. Ltd. As accommodation is rather short, shooters intending to compete should complete their accommodation arrangements as quickly as possible — see page 63 for order form and details.

The trophy list has been substantially increased for 1978 and total value, including air-fare tickets for shooters selected to represent Australia in DTL matches in America and New Zealand, is around \$20,000. Talking of teams, the selection procedure will be as follows:

(a) Team to represent Australia in International Match at Vandalia — the team places (6) will be filled by the shooter from each State who aggregates the highest score over the National Double Barrel Championship, the National Single Barrel Championship and the Australia-New Zealand Trap Championship (Pointscore). This procedure will result in a six-member team being selected — each of whom on confirming his availability will receive a return air fare to Ohio from either Melbourne or Sydney, together with free entry in the International Match. (A further elimination will be required prior to the actual match because teams are limited to five shooters — one of the Australian contingent will become a reserve).

(b) Team to defend the Glenn Cup at Christchurch in April 1978 — in this case, the team is a six man team and subject to availability, places will be filled by the top six scorers in the 1978 Australian "Mackintosh" Team. (In the event of a tie for a place in the team, the position will be resolved by a pointscore shoot-off).

Both teams will fly Air New Zealand, and (we hope) will be well backed up by large supporter groups.

Additional trophies have been added by Eley Ammunition (previously IMI Aust Ltd) and Ian Ritchie of Mt. Eliza (Victoria). Eley has donated a Franchi

"Eldorado Gold" Automatic Shotgun (valued at \$730) which will be presented to the winner of the National Double Barrel Championship.

Ian Ritchie is a manufacturer of fine gun racks and cabinets, and has donated a five place glass fronted gun cabinet which will be used as a trophy in the Grand Australian Handicap. Cash payouts have also been increased, including an extension of placings in the National Skeet Championship to 10th place.

To wind up the 1978 Nationals, arrangements are in hand to use a completely different format for the Presentation Night. Plans are well advanced to put on a Dinner Dance in a suitable venue, in an attempt to lift the standard to the level our National Champions deserve. Final details will be announced in January issue of CTSN, but now is the time to note the date in your shooting diary — March 15th 1978, A.C.T.A. First Annual Dinner Dance and Presentation Night. A band has already been booked, and a menu will shortly be completed. The cost per head will be around \$10 and a great night out is assured. **KEEP THE EVENING FREE!**

RULES CORNER . . .

Rules — Interpretations, Policies and Questions

1. INWARD MOVEMENT

Since the re-introduction of inward handicap movement there have been a number of interpretations applied, most of which have been wrong.

The amended rule 153, when taken step by step, is quite clear, but to answer questions that have arisen, the following broad explanation is given:

i. The inward movement can only take place once, when the shooter re-registers at the end of the year. (not after each 250 targets).

ii. To receive inward movement on performance the shooter must have Club endorsed entries on his card showing that he has fired on at least 250 handicap targets — including shoot-offs — in that year, and that he has received no handicap increase at any time during that year. The shooters card (we suggest a photostat copy) must be submitted by the shooters Club to the A.C.T.A. Secretary with the request for inward movement.

iii. Inward movement shall not be allowed:

- When less than 250 handicap targets have been recorded on the shooters card during the preceding year.
- When the shooter has received backward movement at any time during the preceding year.
- When a copy of the shooters card does not accompany the request for inward movement.

2. TROPHY VALUES FOR HANDICAPPING

The A.C.T.A. office, State Associations and individual Executive members often receive complaints from shooters that a trophy they have won, which has caused their handicap to be increased, could be bought somewhere else at a value which would not have caused their handicap increase.

There is no doubt that by looking around it would be possible to find different retail prices on any article for sale.

However, we cannot have a system where arguments arise on this matter and this is one of the reasons why our rules require that trophies and their values be displayed prior to the event.

We pride ourselves on being sportsmen and gentlemen and the following policy should apply:

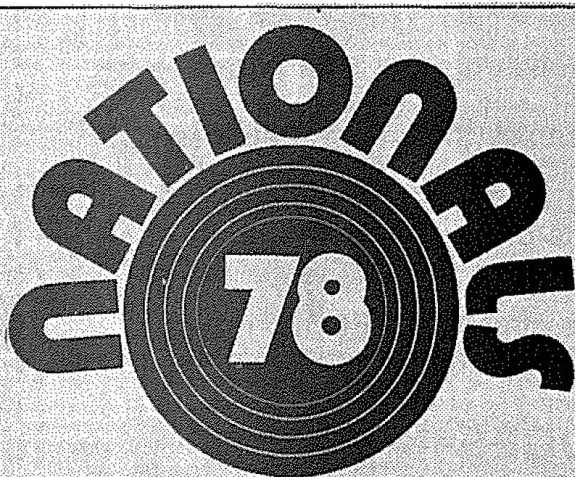
- Club managements should obtain an honest minimum retail value from the supplier of their trophies.
- The trophy should be displayed with the value clearly marked as required under Rule 149 (b).
- The competitor, having won the trophy, should accept whatever handicap penalty applies to the value marked on the trophy.

If a shooter is not satisfied with the marked value of a trophy he should not enter in the event.

Our Executive are often criticised for the requirements of our Rules but they are all there for good reason and should not be disregarded.

To make the policy work it is essential that Club managements, when determining minimum retail values, be just as fair to those who do not win as they are to those who do; that they mark and display trophies; and that competitors act in a true sportsmanship manner.

(Ern Hawkins - Rules Supervisor, N.S.W.)



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NATIONALS - '78

To be conducted on the grounds of the South Australian Gun Club from Wednesday 8th March to Wednesday March 15th inclusive.
Shooting will commence at 8 a.m.
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DAY 1 & 2

(Wednesday 8th & Thursday 9th March)
NINTH NATIONAL SKEET C'SHIP

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Nom. \$18.00

DAY 3 (Friday 10th March)

EIGHTEENTH NATIONAL DR C'SHIP

25 pairs of targets, broken targets to count, to be shot 5 pairs per ground over five successive grounds, from 16 metres.
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DAY 4 (Saturday 11th March)

29TH GRAND AUSTRALIAN HANDICAP

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DAY 5 (Sunday 12th March)

25TH NATIONAL DB C'SHIP

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DAY 6 (Monday 13th March)

24TH NATIONAL SB C'SHIP

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DAY 7 (Tuesday 14th March)

17TH AUST.-N.Z. TRAP C'SHIP

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4TH INTER. TRAP TEAMS' MATCH

Teams to consist of six shooters (who have competed in the country which they are representing) each to shoot at 20 targets.

DAY 8 (Wednesday 15th March)

MACKINTOSH INTER TEAM'S MATCH

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In National Skeet Championship, the nomination includes a sweepstake of \$3, to be divided \$1 for first 25, \$1 for second 25, and \$1 overall.

In National Double Rise Championship, the nomination includes a sweepstake of \$1 overall, to be divided into grades, on the basis of the number of competitors in each grade.

In Grand Australian Handicap, the nomination includes a sweepstake of \$3, to be divided \$1 for first 25, \$1 for second 25, and \$1 overall.

In all other National Events, the nomination includes a sweepstake of \$3, to be divided into grades on basis of number of competitors in each grade, and to be further divided \$1 for first 25, \$1 for second 25 and \$1 overall.

The National Double Rise Championship, the National Double Barrel Championship, the National Single Barrel Championship, the Australia-New Zealand Trap (Pointscore) Championship and the Champion of Champions Cup will all be conducted as GRADED EVENTS.

TALK ABOUT TRAVEL

Come To New Zealand — The Jetset - A.C.T.A. Way

March in New Zealand — the South Island is widely recognised for its autumn attractions, one of which (at least in the opinion of shooters) in 1978 is the New Zealand National Clay Target Championships being held in Christchurch. The Championships provide the A.C.T.A. with its first International opportunity to offer its members the benefits of co-ordinated travel arrangements. Since the appointment of Jetset Tours as our official travel consultants, the Jetset staff have been busy putting the final touches to what is a very attractive travel package for shooters intending to visit the New Zealand Nationals, all for a very modest cost. As an example of the benefits to arise from Jetset's planning, it will no longer be necessary for travellers to meet in Sydney to join the outward flight. In 1978 A.C.T.A. groups will be leaving for Christchurch from Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne on 30th March (Thursday) and will be returning to Brisbane and Sydney on 8th April (Saturday) or Melbourne on 9th April (Sunday). The cost is based on current prices and you will benefit from the cheapest group air fare provided 30 paying passengers travel together from each State. Cost also includes airport/hotel/airport transfers and first class accommodation (on a share twin basis).

Ex Brisbane (9 nights)	\$340.00
Ex Sydney (9 nights)	\$318.00
Ex Melbourne (10 nights)	\$351.00

Group members will be accommodated at the White Heron Travelodge.

For those who require the use of a car, arrangements have been made for DOMINION Rental Cars to be made available at a very moderate cost.

Of course there are things to do in New Zealand other than Clay Target shooting. Perhaps you will wish to stay on for a week or more

after the Championships have concluded, (some may want to stay forever, but there is a 120 day limit! If you take advantage of the Advance Purchase fare.)

This can be arranged for a small additional air fare payment of approximately \$30 per person. Once having made the decision to stay (this decision MUST be confirmed at the time of booking) the options offer to the holiday maker are almost limitless. Day trips can be taken to the scenic Kashmere hills and the French settlement at Akaroa.

A guided tour of the Franz Josef Glacier or a Coach or Camping Tour through Newmans (from 10 days to 23 days, some embracing both islands) or maybe a self-drive holiday by courtesy of Dominion is well worth consideration. Please contact the Consultants at Jetset Tours office who will be happy to give you any further information that you require.

Let's make this first "A.C.T.A. Group Movement" a real success. It is anticipated that the demand for places in the group will be heavy — the price alone will ensure its success — it is important therefore that you register your name and address NOW with either a Jetset Tours office or the A.C.T.A. National Office.

Having left the least pleasant part till last, let's talk about payments! The requirements are:

1. Deposit of 10% of full cost must be paid when bookings are made.
 2. Balance of full cost must be paid 50 days prior to departure.
 3. Tickets will be issued 10 days prior to departure.
- All payments should be made to Jetset Tours NOT to the A.C.T.A. See you in Christchurch in the autumn.

ON "GHOSTIE" — RIGHT ON

(Full may a gem of purest ray serene,
The dark unfathomed minds of shooters bear.)

Every month arrives the Postie
With a poem from bloody Ghostie
He wants to set the world to right
Any try to fight the hopeless fight.
This would be fine and in perspective
Were not most shooters so introspective.

Kipling tried, and Pope and Shelly
Elegantly to no avail — a rose by any other name is smelly
I've tried and cried, and never thought
What pain to me his verse has brought.

Be brave, yon spectre — your cover hold,
For heavens sake be far more bold.
Say like it is and what it's at
Constructively I'd reply to that
And even eat your rotten hat.

Breathes there a man with soul so dead,
Who never but a knock has said,
"Ghostie" merits a heavy rise,
And much to my regret, surprise;
Sink to the vile depths from which we sprung
Unwept, unhonoured and unsung.
But secret ballots are democratic,
And prevents from friends response dramatic.

Original "Ghostie" is quite a card.
I plagiarize the immortal bard
Perhaps it's true "The play's the thing"
Wherein to catch the conscience of the King"
Gross misuse of education classical
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"The Spook".

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CLUB NEWS

ALEXANDRA S.A. — have advised us that their new Secretary is Mr C. Sumner, 48 Columbia Cr., Modbury Nth 5092.

DOWNSIDE INTERNATIONAL GUN CLUB — is the new name for Riverina International (NSW). Their President is Mr J. D. Stewart.

ESPERANCE BAY (W.A.) — new Secretary is Mr B. Barry.

FRANKSTON/AUSTRALIA (Vic) — For sheer enthusiasm and dedication the award of the month must surely go to Gordon Morgan (1977 National Skeet Champion) and his Committee at the new Frankston/Australian Gun Club in Victoria. Both the original Clubs behind this amalgamation began experiencing tenancy problems at their respective grounds, mainly due to objections to noise, and each became aware of the other's problem. The result is that an amalgamation occurred with Gordon Morgan the inaugural President. To say that some major obstacles were before the new Club is the year's greatest understatement. The first breakthrough occurred when a block of ground was found — ideal for a shooting ground in that the site is flat, has an excellent background with a South Easterly shooting aspect. Undaunted by cost problems together with difficulties in getting all the necessary permits etc., the development of the new ground has progressed to the point where a brick storehouse has been completed, trap houses have been built, and a large brick Clubhouse is already well advanced. The "grand opening" can't be far off!

INVERELL GUN CLUB (NSW) — now have a new Secretary. He is Mr P. Jensen, P.O. Box 429, Inverell 2360.

BUNGENDORE have advised us of a change of address for their secretary Mrs Dianne Keir. New address is 2 Glass Place, Kambah 2902.

MOUNT ISA (Q'LD) also have a new Secretary — Mr G. E. Casley, P.O. Box 1090, Mt Isa, who has pleasure in advising us that Life Membership of the Mount Isa Gun Club was conferred upon Mrs M. Selke and Mr H. J. Smith.

GEELONG CLAY TARGET CLUB (VIC) — This Club traditionally conducts a Charity Program on New Year's Day. Because 1st January 1978 falls on a Sunday the Club will conduct its program on the Monday (2nd January '78) which is the Public Holiday. Proceeds from the program will go to the South Barwon Lion's Club. The details of the program are shown in a full page advertisement in the Victorian section of this issue.

KAMBALDA GUN CLUB (WA) — advises that they are now holding regular fortnightly shoots every second Sunday and have completed their first trap and club house and have started work on their second trap house. The Club's present officials are: — President: Mr R. Hose, Treasurers: Mrs E. Ward, Mrs M. Hose, Club Captain: Mr T. Voddan and Secretary: Mr O. Makkonen (Oily).

CALLIDE-DAWSON CLAY TARGET CLUB (QLD) — Through the untiring efforts of three men ably supported by their wives, the old Dawson Valley Gun Club has been revived with a new name and situated on a new ground. The three loyal workers are the President, R. Woodward, Vice President and Club Captain S. Ziebell, and Treasurer J. Ryan, each of whom has given all his weekend and spare weekday hours to rebuilding the Club. They will no doubt get a lot of personal satisfaction from seeing the ground used for the first official shoot on Sunday 11th December and they will feel even better if there is a record attendance. The Club will then shoot on the second Sunday in each month — the December program and a map showing the Club location will be found in the Queensland section of this issue. We are grateful to the Secretary, Mrs Ryan for this information.

POINT COOK GUN CLUB (VIC) — Advice has been received from Mrs Timmy Jones that well known shooter Tom Couch died a month or two ago, aged 74. Tom shot many years ago under the non-de-plume of "Hockey" and in recent years has confined his shooting to the monthly program at Point Cook.

GOLD COAST GUN CLUB (QLD) — Secretary Mrs Hutchison has advised CTSN of the death of one of the founders of Gold Coast Gun Club Arthur C. Whitney, who died on 17th October '77. He played a very active part in the formation of the Club in 1949, and was one of the most respected men in the area. He lived for his gun and his dog and was an amazingly "flexible" being equally successful either in the field or on a trap ground.

Mrs Hutchison also has advised that there has been a change at the helm of the Gold Coast Gun Club. President for many years, Mr A. Marstella, has resigned and Mr Colin Witt has succeeded him.

SOUTHERN GUN CLUB (SA) — recently held its Annual General Meeting at which the following office bearers were elected: Patron, Mr J. Warnes; President, Mr S. Dawe; Secretary/Treasurer Mr A. Thiselton.

KING ISLAND GUN CLUB (TAS) — has re-affiliated and plans to conduct its first Annual Shoot for some years on 11th February '78. This would make a great restful weekend break for some of the "overworked" mainlanders.

SUNSHINE COAST GUN CLUB (QLD) Publicity Officer Bev Grice has advised that the Club's Annual General Meeting has been deferred until 5th December 1977.

LIGHTNING RIDGE GUN CLUB (NSW) — This is another new Club which is progressing well and showing tremendous enthusiasm. Working bees are being organised on a regular basis and a major open program is being planned for early 1978. Watch CTSN for further news!

DONALD GUN CLUB (VIC) — has changed the date of its Christmas Shoot from 23rd December to Saturday 3rd December commencing at 1 p.m.

TAREE-WINGHAM GUN CLUB (N.S.W.) — Good news has been received from Taree-Wingham Gun Club — the engagement has been announced of Miss Dawn Starr to 1977 International Team Member Terry Rumbel. This young couple have been seen together

regularly at Clubs and shooters throughout Australia wish them every happiness in the future.

GOULBURN WORKERS GUN CLUB (N.S.W.) — Back on 9th July, Neville Smith became involved in a "Saturday Night Marathon" at Goulburn Workers Gun Club. In company with a number of shooters including K. Larcombe and Bill Lambert, he shot-off in a Double Barrel Championship, not knowing that it was to become the medium through which a new State Night Break Record was to be set. The shoot-off came to an end when Bill Lambert missed his 229th target after Neville had shot his. This not only made Neville Smith the winner but when his five broken targets from the eye-opener were included, gave him a new State Night Break Record of 234 targets. Congratulations, Neville!

BRISBANE GUN CLUB (Q) — Following the success of the Olympic Trench during the '77 National Trench Championship, Brisbane Gun Club is pursuing a very active program including 200 target qualifying rounds for potential 1978 team members. The second qualifying event was very well supported by Clubs from the S.E. of Queensland.

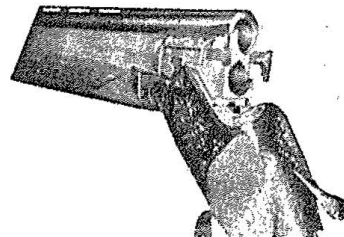
TOWNSVILLE GUN CLUB (Q) — Is the latest Club to install a 15-trap Olympic Trench facility. It is now fully operational and is based on Rossini equipment. The traps are pneumatically cocked which makes a significant difference in the job of the trap boys. The Club is planning to hold two qualifying rounds for possible 1978 International Team selection. In addition it will conduct the Queensland section of the 1977 Interstate Trench Teams' Match on 30th and 31st December.

WILKAWATT GUN CLUB (S.A.) held its Annual Meeting on 11th October. The 1978 President is Wayne Hayward and the Secretary remains as Mrs Val Prentice, P.O. Box 125, Lameroo 5302. Club Captain is Don Beelitz.

VICTORIAN GUN CLUB (VIC) has a new Secretary. He is Mal Shiels of 17 Finlay St., Altona 3018. Mal has had extensive experience in other sporting areas and his addition to the Executive of this Club will further strengthen its position.

HORSHAM GUN CLUB (VIC) held their Annual Meeting on 25/10/77. Mr T. Scott was elected as President, Mr G. Ervin and B. Robinson as Vice-Presidents and Mr D. L. Harris of 14 Culliver Street, Horsham 3400 is the new Secretary/Treasurer. Assistant Secretary/Treasurer is Mr F. Heinze.

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The 1977-78 series of the Winchester Tournament has so far been an enormous success. The attendances in most cases have exceeded estimates and Clubs and the sponsor are all very satisfied.

The following is a summary of results and attendances from the rounds completed to 25th October '77:

TAREE-WINGHAM GUN CLUB, 14th Aug '77: Attendance 75. 1st - Vince Phillips, 2nd - P. Thompson, 3rd - R. Loy. Ladies Trophy - Dianne Davis. Best 11-15m - Stephen Saul. Junior Trophy - Leslie Owens.

WARWICK GUN CLUB, 4th Sept '77: Attendance 106. 1st - D. Bullimore, 2nd - R. Dean, 3rd - C. Bloxsome. Ladies Trophy - A. Ramsay. Best 11-15m E. Kath, Junior Trophy - S. Bartley.

FRANKSTON/AUSTRALIAN GUN CLUB, 11th Sept '77: Attendance 102. 1st - J. Smith, 2nd - R. McGillivray, 3rd - S. Bell. Ladies Trophy - Chris Rynsent. Best 11-15m - G. Iuliano. Junior Trophy - Alan Tonks.

MERSEY GUN CLUB, 17th Sept '77 - Attendance 50. 1st - Denis Whiteley, 2nd - Les Viney, 3rd - Ray Mason. Ladies Trophy - C. Campbell. Best 11-15m - Tom Smith, Junior Trophy - Kevin White.

PERTH CLAY TARGET CLUB, 24th Sept '77 - Attendance 91. 1st - R. Bailey, 2nd - B. Kennamer, 3rd - Charlie Ellies. Ladies Trophy - C. Ireland. Best 11-15m - T. Jones. Junior Trophy - John Bailey.

GUYRA GUN CLUB, 3rd Oct '77 - Attendance 132. 1st - Terry Rumbel, 2nd - I. Reid, 3rd - P. Owen. Ladies Trophy - Louise Burgess. Best 11-15m - J. Poole. Junior Trophy - Victor Burgess.

JEPARIT GUN CLUB, 16th Oct '77 - Attendance 121. 1st - Peter Telford, 2nd - Frank Pitt, 3rd - Fred Heinze. Ladies Trophy - Coral Schorback. Best 11-15m - J. Heley. Junior Trophy - Leon Krelle.

Venues at which rounds are to be held shortly include International Gun Club (S.A.) 3rd and 4th Dec; Huonville Gun Club (Tas.) 3rd & 4th Dec. (on the grounds of the Hobart Gun Club); Wagga Gun Club, Australia Day Weekend 1978.



Winner of Junior Section, Frankston-Aust. Gun Club, was Alan Tonks, shown here receiving his Sterling Silver Tray from Winchester rep. Wayne Pilkington.



Winners at Frankston-Aust. round — from left: Bob McGillivray (2nd), Wayne Pilkington (Winchester), J. Smith (winner) and Steve Bell (3rd).

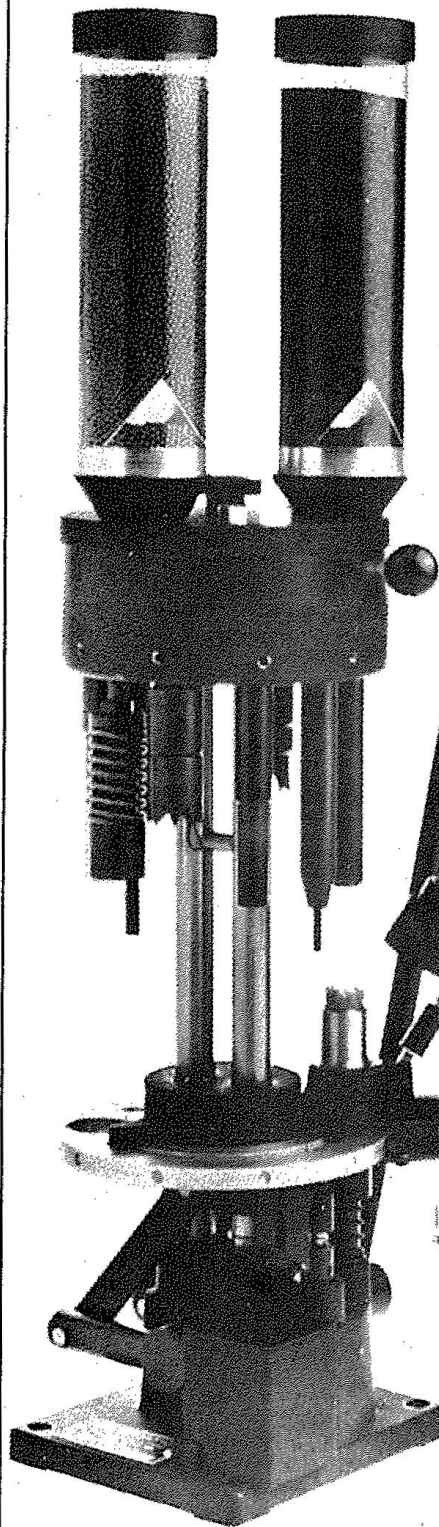
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2nd placegetter at Frankston-Aust. Gun Club. Bob McGillivray (right) is presented with his trophy by Winchester rep. Wayne Pilkington.



Group of winners from Sebastopol Gun Club — from left: Bob Cartledge (1st), A. Huf (11-15m), Dick Toner (2nd), Les Brown (3rd), Graham Leech (6th), Mrs Brenda Dupay (Ladies), Trevor Nash (4th), John Whittakers (9th), Wayne Dupay (Junior), Norm Paterson (5th), Lyle Veitch (8th), Fred Heinze (7th). In front are Bob Dupuy and Brian Mark from Winchester.



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Winchester Tournament at Sebastopol Gun Club, Victoria



Afternoon tea plus a smile — the ladies at Sebastopol Gun Club — from left: Mrs Light, Helen White and June Paterson (wife of Club President, Norm Paterson).

A pleasant sunny day set the stage for the biggest shoot of the year at Sebastopol Gun Club last Saturday, 29/10/77. A total of 85 shooters attended for the day program and 82 entries were received for the night event. Visitors came from Melbourne, Geelong, Maryborough, Ararat and as far away as Deniliquin (N.S.W.).

Ken Whelan won the Points Championship with 96-96 from Ray McKenzie 95-96 and Brian Mark 110-111. "B" Grade went to Lyle Veitch 86-90 from Peter Hjorth and Daryl Crouch. Alan McCulloch shot 83-90 to win "C" Grade from Trevor Light and Tony Bingley.

The main event, the Winchester Tournament, went to local shooter Bob Cartledge 82-82 from Dick Toner 81-82 and Les Brown 66-67. Trevor Nash shot 62-63, Norm Paterson 61-62 and Fred Heinze 42-43, Lyle Veitch 36-37, John Whittakers 33-34 and Tony Bradshaw 32-33 filled the minor placings.

Mrs B. Dupuy was the top lady shooter in this event and her son Wayne took the junior trophy. A. Huf shot the best 11-15 metre score.

A Single Barrel Championship which concluded the afternoon program was won by Steve Nelson 26-27 from Bob Cartledge 25-27 and Kim Bucholtz 23-25. Colin McPherson shot 14-16 to win the 11-15 metre group.

To start the night program a 10 target points eye-opener was shot in 3 grades. Norm Paterson and Bob Cartledge shared "A" with 30-30, D. Nielsen and A. White both scored 29-30 in "B", while Jack Hughes and G. Billman shared "C" with 27-30.

The Victorian State Night Points Championship saw a good win to Bacchus Marsh shooter, Peter Hjorth, 85-90 from Graham Ludbrook 90-96 and Geoff Mark 87-96.

Bill Brookes won "B" Grade with 82-90 from Don Snell 80-90 and D. Nielsen 79-90. The "C" Grade division went to Tony Bingley 78-90 with Peter Verlander 75-90 and Bill Sands on 74-90.

Although Club officials expected more than the 69 starters in the Winchester Tournament, the program as a whole was a great success with almost 10,000 targets being released and in excess of \$2000 worth of trophies distributed to wide cross section of cameritars.



The end of the day — the smiles are a little harder to find!



Winchester Points Championship — A Grade placegetters — from left: Norm Paterson (Pres.), Ken Whelan (1st), Ray McKenzie (2nd), and Brian Mark (3rd).



B Grade placegetters — from left: Norm Paterson (Pres.), Lyle Veitch (1st), Peter Hjorth (2nd), Daryl Crouch (3rd).



C Grade placegetters — from left: Norm Paterson (Pres.), Alan McCulloch (1st), Trevor Light (2nd), and Tony Bingley (3rd).

Editor's MAILBOX . . .

P.O. Box 79,
COWRA, N.S.W. 2794.
4th October, 1977.

Dear Noel,

May I, through Editor's Mailbox, respond to shooter John Topsfield's letter.

After 22 years continuous service as Secretary and President of a gun club I feel I may be able to clarify the position regarding assistance given to clubs by the ammunition suppliers and firearms distributors.

Firstly — the management of these firms are directly responsible to their Board of Directors and their shareholders who invest money in the firm — these shareholders expect a return on their investment and, if the present management does not give this return, the Board will soon put someone there who will give the desired result; that's the name of the game.

If we had a situation where funds were unlimited then "beauty" — sponsor our overseas representatives and "go for broke" — unfortunately, this Utopian state does not exist. I know that the firms place their available funds around as many clubs as possible and so assist the "bread and butter" shooters who keep all the clubs functioning.

I believe that we have approximately 7,500 to 8,000 registered shooters who are participating in our sport regularly and I feel that it is most important for any sponsored assistance to be channelled into this sphere. At present, quite a large sum of money is distributed by way of trophies (one firm distributes more than \$100,000 each year in Australia) and I'm sure that all club managements appreciate the assistance given.

I agree with writer Topsfield that our sport is not a spectator sport and sponsors like to get publicity for their "cold cash input" — would we be happy to see Terry Rumble or "Pud" Burgess or Jimmy Ellis on the tracks with "Eat I.X.L. Tomato Sauce" emblazoned across their backs and "use Hickory Up-Lift Bras" on their chests; I think not — it would make our representative teams a "joke" in the world of shooting. If it were possible to get sponsorship without the publicity gimmicks or Government assistance we would be really achieving something.

International shooting is an infant in this country and, like all infants, will have a hard climb to adulthood — it will get there but, in the meantime I feel it is unfair to criticise our ammunition distributors for lack of sponsorship when they are already donating possibly \$250,000 per annum to assist the sport.

I, personally, appreciate the assistance given to the sport in the past and know that all firms will listen and assist if your request is reasonable — remember: Malcolm F. "Life wasn't meant to be easy" and neither is running a gun club.

Yours faithfully,

LEN BIRD.

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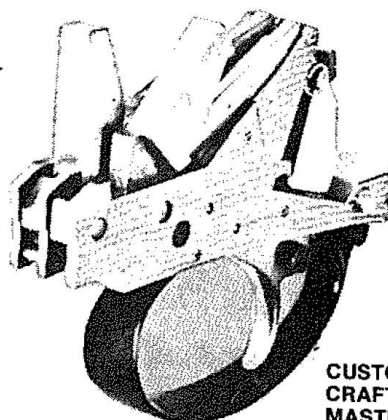
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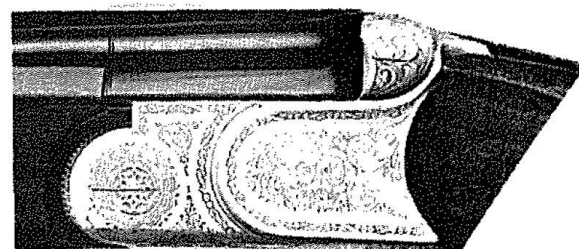
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Westland Toyota Sponsors Big Shoot at Werribee Gun Club



High Gun winner over full program, Ron Light, receiving sash from Club President, Bill Abbott.

On Sunday 9th October, 1977, the Werribee Gun Club conducted one of the most successful shooting programs ever held in the district. This was made possible only with the help and sponsorship of "Westland Toyota" Werribee. The program was a great success and I am sure the large turn out of shooters who attended would agree.

The first event of the day was the "Westland Toyota" \$500 Grand Prix Handicap and the event attracted 82 nominations, conditions were very windy and caused quite a few problems for some shooters in the early squads.

Results were as follows:--

The outright winner was Terry Holly, a visitor from Western Australia who shot from the 13 metre mark and scored 53-53. This fine effort won for Terry the \$250 first prize. \$50 went to each of the following shooters who were best in their metre groups:

- 11-13 metres F. Hills who scored 52-52.
- 14-16 metres A. McCrystal who scored 52-53.
- 17-19 metres R. Light who scored 39-40.
- 20-22 metres D. Milojevic who scored 30-31.
- 23-25 metres B. Williams who scored 22-23.

The second event of the day was the "Westland Toyota" Double Barrel Graded Championship. This event saw 100 shooters competing for the Thiess Toyota High Gun Trophy, a magnificent silver tray and matching goblets, which was valued in the vicinity of \$150. Fifteen shooters shot the possible 20 targets and went into the shoot-off to find the outright winner. After some fine individual performances the outright winner was finally decided, it just happened to be that very modest shooter from Laverton Tony Bradshaw.

The results were as follows:--

- Overall and "A" grade winner Tony Bradshaw, who scored 78-78 to win the Thiess Toyota High Gun Trophy. Congratulations Tony.
- 2nd prize in "A" grade went to Harvey Eldridge who scored 77-78.
- 3rd prize in "A" grade went to Reg Coombes who scored 76-77.
- "B" grade 1st prize went to Werribee Gun Club Committeeman John Napoli who scored 55-56.
- 2nd prize went to Werribee shooter Ron Clarke who scored 32-33.
- 3rd prize went to Ron Light who scored 22-23.
- "C" grade 1st prize went to O. Martelli who scored 28-29.
- 2nd prize went to young Werribee shooter Glen Coupar who scored 27-29.
- 3rd prize went to R. McGreehan who scored 21-23.

The Toyota Top Shot Sash was keenly contested for by the four shooters who shot possibles in both events, and the eventual winner was Ron Light, who I think would agree had a good day at Werribee with placings in both events. The Werribee Club congratulates Ron on a fine performance.



Overall winner of 'Westland' Toyota Championship, Tony Bradshaw, is presented with Thiess Trophy by Barry Hopper.

A special word of thanks to Norm Lawler who donated two magnificent dressed pheasants -- they were very much appreciated, and I am sure that the two shooters who received the birds would endorse these remarks.

For any program to run as smoothly as this one did, it is important that you have good representation in the office where all the hard work is done, and the Club wishes to thank Secretary Tony Foley and his wife Nola for a job well done.

On behalf of the Club may I thank all of those people who helped run the program particularly our newly appointed shoot marshal Ian Frantantaro who kept the squads moving and enabled the program to finish with good light still prevailing.

At the conclusion of the shooting events and presentations, a barbecue was held with meat and other refreshments being donated by "Westland Toyota".

The Committee and members of the Werribee Gun Club wish to thank "Westland Toyota" Werribee, Thiess Toyota and A.M.I. for their contribution to the sport of Clay Target Shooting. A special word of thanks to Barry Hopper from "Westland Toyota" who put in a lot of time and effort to make sure the day was so successful.

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Winner of Westland Toyota Grand Prix, Terry Holly (left) from Western Australia, receives his cheque from Barry Hopper, proprietor of Westland Toyota.

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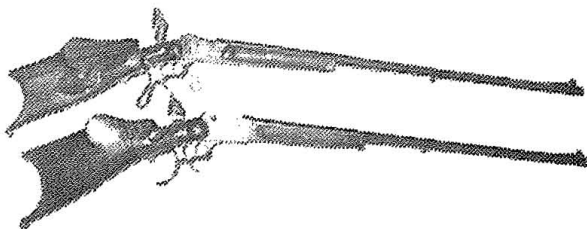
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METRO. CLAY TARGET CLUB LOSES GREAT GREAT WORKER

Mrs Pat White, Assistant Secretary of Metro. Clay Target Club (Vic.) for the past few years, died on Sunday 13th November after a massive heart attack. Pat became ill soon after the Club's Cup Day program and was immediately placed in hospital in intensive care. Although she improved for a few days, her condition deteriorated unexpectedly on the Sunday night. Pat was the wife of Gary White who is very well known around the Victorian circuit. Metro C.T. Club office won't be the same without her, and all shooters extend their sincere sympathy to Gary and the two children.

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INTRODUCTION

No instructional talk on firearms is adequate without reference to safety. Safe shooting with a shotgun is the first point to be aimed for.

When taking up shooting with a shotgun there are a few facts as to safety that must be remembered.

(1) The individual who handles and shoots a shotgun determines just how safe that gun will be, and it is his or her responsibility to see that it is safe at all times.

(2) Know if your gun is loaded and always treat it as if it is.

(3) Become "muzzle conscious" and when the gun is in your hands know where the muzzle is pointing in relation to yourself and others at all times.

(4) Do not depend on the safety catch — it is only a mechanical lock. You provide just how safe a shotgun is when it is in your hands.

Shooting a shotgun can be a very rewarding pastime, whether it be providing game for the table or cups for the mantelpiece.

Pleasant days in the outdoors or happy days at traps or skeet — sharing a common interest with many others — these are the pleasures awaiting the shotgun shooter.

To shoot a shotgun well requires application, practice and a simple basic style. Set out below are a few hints that will help the beginner or tyro.

STANCE

To shoot a shotgun well, one must be in balance and this is easily achieved if the following points are noticed and practised. —

(1) Face toward your shooting mark placing your left foot slightly in advance of the right. (Left-handed shooters reverse this). Then bring approx. two thirds of your weight forward on to the front foot — to do this you break or bend your front knee fractionally forward (do not exaggerate this).

Doing this keeps your weight forward and allows a much more free swing right or left than does an upright or locked front knee.

The feet should be set just far enough apart that you feel in balance. Spreading your feet widely only restricts your swing on either side whereas too narrow a stance is inclined to make you top heavy — both should be avoided!

You should lean slightly forward from the hips (though this must not be exaggerated). Leaning forward is a help in two ways: (a) it assists in absorbing recoil and (b) it allows a better pivot.

Your hips should not be forward of your shoulders (this is a common fault with beginners).

Wear comfortable footwear, preferably with wide soles as these provide a stable platform from which to swing.

GUN POSITION AND HOLDING

Shotguns should be held firmly with both hands.

Resting or balancing the forend of the gun in or on the front hand does not lead to a positive approach when swinging.

Firmly does not mean hard, where the hands set up a quiver. This would slow your movements down whereas free flowing movements are what you are looking to achieve.

In field shooting and skeet there is a tendency to separate the hands putting a slight pressure forward with the front hand and back with the trigger hand, this makes for slightly faster handling which is not required when shooting trap, where the gun is at the shoulder when the target appears. In the case of trap both hands can exert a slight backward pressure or the front hand remain inert.

Correct placing of the gun butt to the shoulder is most important and only comes with knowing what is required and practise; to help this the following points should be noted: "In and Up" — a little saying of great merit. **In**, meaning, the butt is placed inside the point of the shoulder and under the side of the face (the face should never be brought across to the comb which is the top of the stock). **UP**. The comb should always be brought up to the face and not the face down to the comb. The top of the butt should be approximately level with the top of the shoulder, too low a position here tends to make you put your head forward and down causing two basic problems:

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Victorian Clay Target Association State Skeet Carnival 14th, 15th, 16th October, 1977



1977 Victorian Skeet Team.

Under the auspicious hospitality of the Wangaratta Gun Club and the North East Zone, the Victorian State Association conducted its first ever Skeet Carnival.

Three grounds all grassed and in excellent condition were used to cater for the 101 shooters who entered the events. It was obvious many hours had been spent in preparing the ground with bunting, etc., to create a carnival atmosphere.

The gratitude of the State Association must be expressed to all those who so willingly gave their time and energies to assist in the organising and running of the carnival.

The first target of the competition was thrown on Friday in the Victorian State Skeet Championship at approximately 10 a.m. In fairness to all the competitors, the jury saw that it was necessary to wait for the sun to rise to a favourable position, and out of the eyes of the first squad of shooters, before allowing the competition to start.

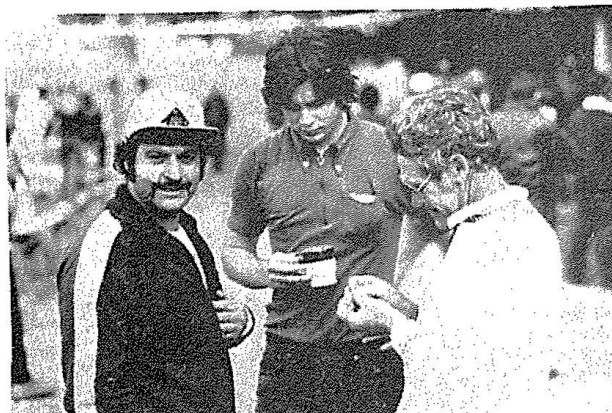
Seventy-nine shooters entered this event, with one entrant being Barry Smith from Edgehill Gun Club, Western Australia. When entering at the office he made the comment "we can't play football" so he came over to see if we could shoot. Hope you enjoyed your weekend at shooting with us Barry.

Five shooters scored the possible and after a shoot-off, Ken Lowry, Melbourne Gun Club, took out the title, his score 83/83. Bill Iles, Metropolitan Gun Club was second, 81/83. John Summers, Melbourne Gun Club, third, 74/75. Winner of B group was Mervyn Whitelaw, Melbourne Gun Club 58/59. Winner of C group was Cecil Herbert, Tamworth Gun Club N.S.W., 44/50. Ladies sash and trophy was won by Deserie Wakefield, Mildura Gun Club, 45/50. Trophies to the value of \$210.00 were donated by IMI Australia, now known as Eley Ammunition.

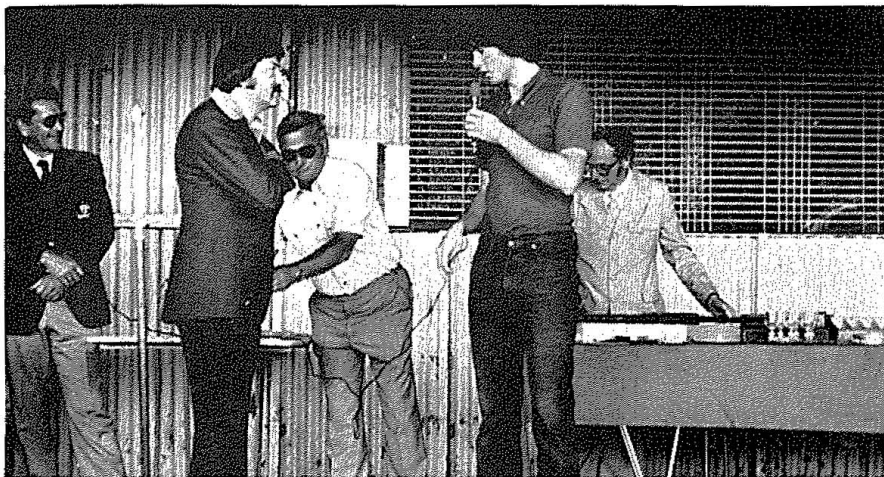
Saturday, 15th October, 1977, and under good weather conditions, the State Skeet Team Elimination was conducted.

Ninety-five shooters entered this event and on final calculations you had to have a good score to be in it. The team consisted of eight shooters on 50/50 who were Alex Crikis, Alan Isaac, Stewart Caldwell, Ian Hale, John Summers, and Ken Lowry all from Melbourne Gun Club, Mick Hehir, Geelong Gun Club and Bill Iles, Metropolitan Gun Club. Seven shooters on 49/50 were Jim Blythman and Gordon Wakefield, Mildura Gun Club, David Jackel and Geoff Reid, Wangaratta Gun Club, Mal Hastie and Sam Daymond, Melbourne Gun Club and Keith Lonsdale, Metropolitan Gun Club made up the team.

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Alex Crikis (left) is not paying attention while Gordon Wakefield from Mildura (right) offers John Summers some thoughts!



John Summers (with microphone) being congratulated by Terry Roberts of Boustead Pty. Ltd., the Australian agents for Remington Arms and Ammunition, after winning the High Gun award at Victorian Skeet Carnival. In background (l. to r.) are National President Ern Hawkins, State President Bob Buchan and Exec. C'tee Member Laurie Connors.

STATE SKEET CARNIVAL Cont'd

The high gun winner in the State Teams match was John Summers, 64/64. For his win John received a trophy donated by Michaelis Bayley.

At the completion of the teams match a Zone team shoot was conducted between the four Zones. Six teams entered and consisted of two from each of the South and North East Zones and one each from the South and North West Zones. The winner was South East Zone on 287/300, closely followed by the North West Zone, 286/300.

A social evening at the Wine Hotel followed the days shooting program. All in attendance seemed to be enjoying the comradeship that stems from our sport.

Sunday, 16th October, 1977. Again under ideal weather conditions, the Commonwealth Skeet Championship was conducted with eighty-five shooters contesting the major placings. Nine shooters recorded the possible 50/50 and after an exciting shoot-off, Mal Hastie, Melbourne Gun Club, conquered all to win the title with a score of 112/112. Ken Lowry, 111/112 filled second place and Alex Crikis, 87/88 filled third position. Both of these shooters hail also from Melbourne Gun Club. B group was won by Graham Boyd, Wangaratta Gun Club, 66/68. C group by Cecil Herbert, Tamworth Gun Club N.S.W. 48/50. The ladies trophy was taken out by Deserie Wakefield, Mildura Gun Club, 45/50.

Two hundred and thirty dollars worth of trophies were donated for this event by Winchester Australia.

The overall high gun over the full programs was taken out in grand style by John Summers, Melbourne Gun Club, 150/150. For his prowess he received a presentation model Remington pump gun, donated by Remington and their Agents, Boustead Pty. Ltd.

The Victorian State Association through this medium would like to thank the donors of the valuable trophies that were on display and were there to be won by the competitors.

For a first Skeet Carnival at State level it appeared to be an excellent tournament, and can only go on to being bigger and better when conducted in the South East Zone in 1978.

Report by LAURIE CONNORS,
Victorian Executive.



'Big Mal' Hastie, the 1977 Commonwealth Skeet Champion responds after being presented with his sash by National President Ern Hawkins. Looking on are Terry Roberts (Boustead) at left, and Bob Buchan at rear.

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INTERNATIONAL SHOOTING SCENE

* With Antibes now in the past, all eyes are focused on 1978 International competitions. The calendar looks fairly full as a quick glance at the following schedule will show:—

1978

March -- Australian Clay Target Championships; 1st Pacific International Open Shooting Championships (Melb. Gun Club).

April -- New Zealand Championships.

May -- Australian Team for Commonwealth Games and World Championships announced.

June -- New Guinea Championships.

July -- Team leaves for Grand American Handicap -- Vandalia.

August -- Pesta Sukan Games -- Singapore; Commonwealth Games -- Canada.

September -- World Championships -- Korea.

October -- New Caledonia Championships; Australian Trench Championships.

Already, scores from potential qualifiers for places in the Commonwealth Games Team and the World Championships Team are being received -- amongst the first to be recorded was a summary from Brisbane Gun Club showing that its members are trying very hard.

At this time, all Clubs with ISU Skeet and/or Olympic Trench facilities should have received a copy of the conditions governing qualifying requirements. (The details were also shown in the November issue of CTSN).

New Zealand Nationals

It can now be confirmed that in conjunction with Jetset Tours, the ACTA's travel consultants, the ACTA is organising groups to the New Zealand Nationals from the three main East Coast ports i.e. Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne. Full details, showing costs, duration and optional extras are shown elsewhere in this issue.

North American Tour

1978 will see the first occasion in which Australia has been officially represented in the International Trap Teams Match which is conducted during the Grand American Handicap at Vandalia, Ohio, USA. To celebrate the occasion, a supporting tour is being organised, arrangements for which will include optional activities to keep the women occupied while the fellers are shooting. As the success of this "first" is important, a professional tour escort will be appointed to look after all the 'hassles' -- the escort will be selected from the Jetset staff.

R & L Sky Trench Teams' Postal Match

Clubs are reminded that Ron and Leonna Sky of Taree-Wingham Gun Club have donated a beautiful cup for Inter Club competition. The conditions are:—

1. To be shot over a 100 target event.
2. Teams of 6-5 scores to count.
3. At least 3 members of each team must be registered with the Club for which they shoot. 3A Limit of 3 teams per Club.
4. Teams must be shot and scores sent to the ISU Sub-committee one month prior to the National Championships.
5. Score sheets to be signed by referee and secretary and submitted to the sub-committee within one month of the date of the shoot.
6. Teams must shoot at a recognised Championship on a 15 trap ISU Olympic Trench lay-out.
7. Open to all affiliated Clubs in Australia that care to field a team.
8. Cup to be presented at Australian National Trench Championships each year. The Club who holds the cup is responsible for the cup being brought to National Championships in good order and condition.
9. Each shooter from the winning team will receive a cartridge pouch by courtesy of SKB.
10. Rules may be altered at the discretion of the ISU Sub-Committee.

The 1978 National Olympic Trench Championships will be held at International Gun Club, South Australia, in October 1978, so there is still ample time to organise a team from your Club.

Further Boost for National Coaching Council

The Federal Government has announced grants totalling \$1 million to assist in the development of sport. Included in the grants was an allocation of \$7000 to the Australian Clay Target Association. Of this amount, \$5000 is to be used to develop the National Coaching Scheme, while the other \$2000 is to be used on administration. In addition, the Australian Shooting Association received an allocation of \$13,500 to be spent on International competition. The A.C.T.A. will go to the next meeting of the ASA to present a submission in which funds will be sought for the Association's 1977/78 International programs.

This is the first tangible evidence that the present Federal Government has accepted a need to assist in financing sport. The fact that shooting sports received substantial assistance is also very encouraging.

Ghostly Observations

I've been travelling around the Gun Clubs of late as my interest in shooting doesn't seem to abate, I'd like to comment on things that I've seen at the various clubs where I have been, some are good, others quite sad and in some cases the shooters were had.

There is nothing that is quite so poor as to have a mix up with a score, but it seems to happen a lot more than it should and does the clubs more harm than good. Two fellas were shooting the other night and thought that they were doing all right, they'd shot at least six, but on checking their score they found they'd been given only four, they talked to the ref, but couldn't sort it out that they were had, there's little doubt.

P.A. systems are a good idea you can send out calls for all to hear, but at some clubs their use is abused and the shooters end up quite confused. Picture the shooters out on the tracks with reasonable quiet behind their backs, their concentration is at its peak as their targets they do seek, all of a sudden, out of the blue as their target comes into view, comes a message loud and clear pounding in on the shooters ear, "Hey you twerps and silly bods who are changing round the skeet squads, I'll kick your tails, and on it bleeps if you don't list who's in the sweeps", the poor old shooter has a frown as his target goes floating down, I'll bet he wishes he had a bag to use on that fellow as a gag.

At another club that I went to I saw a thing that made me blue, There was this fellow that I did see and how he could do it amazes me, after he'd shot he went out on the tracks and stood behind the shooters backs, after he'd checked up on the score sheet to see if anyone his score they could beat, he stood on the lanes and got in the way but I'm pleased to report he didn't win that day.

At the clubs I've been to, not all things were bad there were quite a lot that made me glad, there were Melbourne and Metro who both had a big shoot their programs were good, and the trophies beaut, I saw lots of people I hadn't seen for a spell including Alf James who hasn't been well, It's good to see him shooting again and on his way back in the list of fame, Then there's Neil Berry, who's shooting real ace and always seems to be running a place, He's a darn good shot, there's no doubt of that and to you Neil, I lifts me hat.

Well goodbye folks, I'll see you round as I travel from ground to ground.

"GHOSTIE"

STOP PRESS

Bob Buchan's Mexican Bushrangers beaten for first time by a 5-man N.S.W. Skeet team at the Wagga Gun Club on 22nd/23rd October. Full details in report of complete shoot -- "The Observer"

THE PATTERN PLATE . . .

You may have noticed up beyond the third trap is a large plate of steel, sitting quietly, but looking rather silly, bolted to a heavy post. That is the club's pattern plate. It is mostly neglected by the bulk of the members. However a few of the oldstagers (who put it there) feel an occasional pang of conscience which obliges them to use it now and again.

The pattern plate is dreadfully honest. It tells you things about yourself or your gun or your reloads that mostly you would prefer not to know and would be devastated if anyone else knew. However, it has one major virtue -- unlike a clay target it is so big that you hardly ever miss it.

Although, way up there, it looks so still and monumental it must be quite changeable because some shooters regard it as their greatest enemy and some as their greatest friend.

Its enemies say it destroys their confidence, it is an unnatural target for a shotgun as it is not moving, it does not recognise shot stringing and a whole heap of other invective.

It is my friend. You know the kind of friend who has told you that you have B.O. and you have punched him in the nose (and got a belting in return) who is still your friend. The pattern plate is the brutally honest friend who you know tells you things about yourself for your own good.

What does it tell me? The most important thing is where the shot goes. It also tells me which is the best cartridge or shot size for a particular barrel and what are the range limits of a particular barrel.

Where does the shot go when you pull the trigger? We all think we know but I am sure some of us, with a particular gun, naturally shoot a few inches high or low to the left or right. I invite you to have a shot at the pattern plate and see if the shot hits where you thought it would. Try again and perhaps again. See if you are consistent in your point of impact. If you are consistent and it is not where you intend you can adjust either your aim or your gun. If you are not consistent you have some thinking to do -- about gun mounting, or sight picture or shot preparation or mental approach or for whatever may be the cause.

The pattern plate takes a lot of guesswork out of what your sight picture should be. But remember -- shoot the gun like a gun, i.e., pull the trigger immediately you have the right picture and when shooting at a pattern plate, that is probably almost immediately you put the gun to the shoulder. **DO NOT AIM AS WITH A RIFLE.**

The pattern plate also tells us about cartridges and range (or choke). Particular barrels have favourite shot sizes. It's an old axiom that English guns shoot best with big shot and this is usually true. However many of the rules have changed with the Japanese, Italians, Americans and Belgians having taken over the scene. The one that has not is that guns remain individuals and that each barrel has a preferable shot size. The pattern plate will help you identify the best shot size for your guns.

The question of patterns is, of course, very complex. Clay target shooters are most concerned about the quality of patterns in relation to straight away targets but that remains a matter for another discussion. In that discussion we should also be concerned about range.

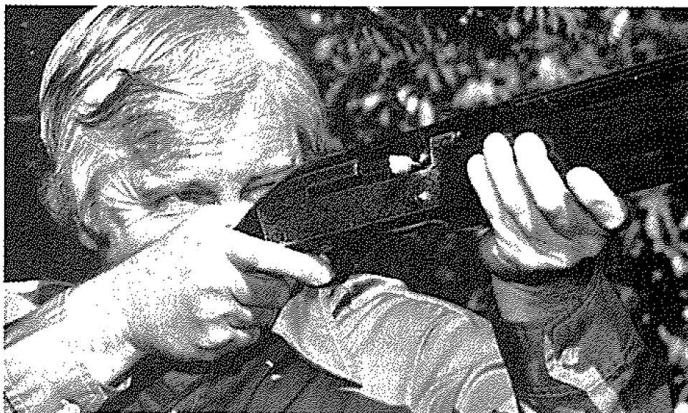
How do you use the pattern plate?

The first thing to do is measure out distances from the plate. Most traditional tests are done from a distance of 40 yards (from muzzle) but you can get more useful information from a variation of the distance to see how your gun performs at various ranges. These distances should also vary according to the use to which the gun is to be put, e.g. a skeet gun might be tested at ranges of 15 to 25 yards and a trap gun at 30 to 45 yards. For a trap gun a range of about 25 yards will enable you to test the accuracy of your aim -- it will also enable you to shoot a double (aim for a low corner and then the opposite high corner) to see if you put both shots where you expect.

To go with the plate you need water, whiting and a paint brush. A container for getting the water and whiting together is tacked to the bottom of the pattern plate post but just in case some hero has checked a pattern on that you should also take a dish of some kind with you. Whiting can be obtained from a hardware shop and the paint brush should be as wide as you can get (a small broom will also do).

The pattern plate is now waiting for you. It is a good friend but like most real friends it has its limitations and sometimes can be a bit hard to take. However it's worth having and I invite you to use it.

JIM O'CONNOR,
(Queanbeyan/Canberra Gun Club).



NOT A SHADOW OF DOUBT

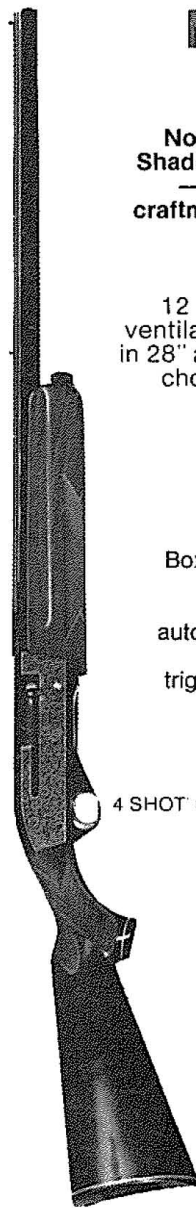
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MORE ABOUT GUN FITTING AND STRAIGHT SHOOTING

(from George Biggs,
Melb. Gun Club)

Because shotgun shooting is an instinctive pointing action, or in other words, we point the muzzle of the gun at the moving target in a manner similar to pointing one's finger, this action means that we should point the gun where the eye is looking. In order to do this with regular consistency we must have a well fitted gun stock that ties in to correct position on the shoulder and allows the cheek to fit snugly down on the comb, in such a position that the eye is looking slightly above and straight down the barrel rib. Actually the front bead sight should act as a pointing aid enabling us to make a more precise point on target. We are not looking directly at the front sight, instead we should only be aware of it being in our vision relative to the target at the point of the trigger let off, when correct lead is established.

Provided we have all these things working correctly and we have a well fitted gun and provided we correctly shoulder the gun and snugly cheek the comb, we should never miss our targets. Unfortunately, there is "many a slip twixt the cup and the lip" in spite of our desire to do all things right. This is known as the human element. I guess we could call it the right frame of mind for the job in hand.

It would be correct to say that a lot of guns come from the manufacturer with too much drop in the stock for the average shooter. This type of stock causes poor shooting unless the stock is bent up so that the shooter's cheek can be placed snugly on the comb enabling his eye to see plainly down the rib. A stock with too much bend or drop will cause the shooter's face to be below the sighting plane. Actually, he will be looking into the back of the gun's breech resulting in low shooting.

Drop at the comb is possibly the most important detail of proper gun fit and unless we have it right, our shooting score will surely suffer.

Many shooters have never learned the correct method of placing the gun to shoulder and the face on the stock. Not only will the consequent poor gun handling result in poor shooting but it will also cause bruised cheeks and sore shoulders.

Almost everyone who first uses a shotgun tends to shoot with the butt too low on the shoulder. Actually, the butt, or recoil pad, should be level with the top of one's shoulder. If the stock is not held in this position the shooter is forced to lower his head so that his face will meet the comb. This is an unnatural position. He should in fact bring the stock up to meet his face.

To practice pointing before a mirror is the best way to eliminate gun handling faults and incorrect placing of the face on stock. Try placing the gun to shoulder, pointing to the centre of the mirror, now without laying the head over and down on the stock, stretch the head and neck slightly forward then down snugly on the comb. Make sure the comb is snugly under the cheek bone, you will find that your head is held square and your eyes are looking straight down the barrel.

Never let anyone tell you that gun stock fit is unimportant. Nothing is further from the truth.

Trigger Pulls. I have always found it an advantage to have the trigger weights of your trap gun tested from time to time depending of course, on how much the gun is being used. It is not safe to allow the pulls to get too light. If this happens it becomes quite easy to jar off by sudden bump even though safety catch is on "safe". On the other hand, if the pulls become too heavy, bad shooting will result because of the unnatural tug necessary to release the trigger. A heavy trigger pull is frequently the cause of low shooting.

A trigger pull of 3½lbs on the right barrel to 4lbs on the left is generally suitable for field shooting.

In case of competition trap shooting, a pull of 3lbs and 3½lbs will be found suitable for most people.

Automatic shotguns tend to be rather heavy trigger pullers due mainly to the nature of the mechanics. However, it is quite simple for a gunsmith to make adjustments to 3½lbs if necessary.

This business of straight shooting is really not very difficult provided all the loose ends are tied up. These loose ends are the fundamental details involved, such as keeping one's cheek firmly on the comb during the time the gun is being pointed and fired at target.

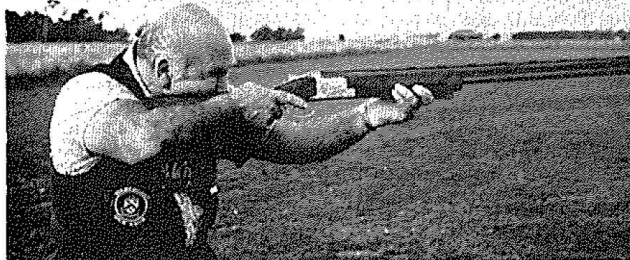
This is a problem that I frequently encounter during instruction

classes to new shooters. Most beginners and quite often old shooters, because of their keenness to see the target more clearly, will subconsciously lift their face off the comb. This action takes the sighting eye completely away from alignment of gun barrel to target.

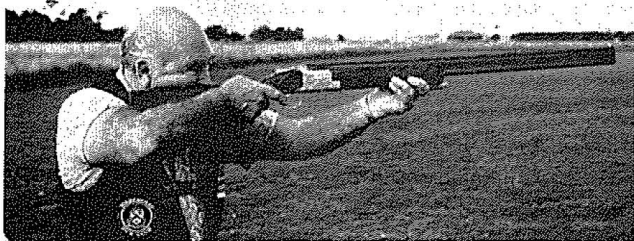
Photo number one illustrates how not to shoulder the gun. Notice how the butt is placed low on the shooter's shoulder. Compare this position to photo number two. Note how the heel of the stock is positioned almost level with shoulder? This position enables the shooter's face to fit snugly on the comb without the need to drop the head and face down to meet the stock in an unnatural strained position.

Photo number three shows how a low comb will permit the sighting eye to almost disappear behind the gun breech. Resulting in low shooting.

Photo number four suggests a rather easy, effortless position. Note the heel of stock high on shoulder, cheek is snug on comb, eye position is above the rib and the head and neck position is natural and unstrained. Two twenty cent pieces placed on the rib over the action is a good rule of thumb rule for gauging correct eye level above rib.



Pic number one.



Pic number two.



Pic number three.



Pic number four.



NEW SOUTH WALES

BARELLAN, 9-10-77 — Warm sunny some cloud (40). 10t EO off 16m: 14 div L. Ashford, L. McDonald, G. Castellaro, P. Ashford, K. Whytcross, A. Paonne, M. Stanmore, D. Allen, J. Stewart, A. Bound, J. Rippen, C. Norris, B. Crossman, L. Odewhan. Riv. Zone Pts Score C'ship: N. McDermott 60-60, A. Bound 59-60, K. Whytcross 58-60. 15t Hcp Trophy: 8 poss. D. Allen, L. Irvin, D. McKenzie. Lady shooter Mrs L. Charles, FM R. Rixon, BM P. Stevens.

Our many thanks to the Barellan and District War Memorial Club for donating the trophies for our trophy event. High Gun was won by A. Bound.

BERRIDALE, 8-10-77 — Sunny windy (17). 10t EO: O. Feilen, S. Williams, T. Tindall, Ray Hedger, A. Hain 10-10. 10t PS: O. Feilen, J. Williams, T. Tindall 29-30. 5tSB 5t DB: J. Williams, Ray Hedger. 20t DB Club C'ship: Ray Hedger, O. Feilen. FM T. Tindall. High Gun: J. Williams (2 down).

BUNGENDORE, 18-9-77 — Fine (26). 15t PS EO 16m: J. Tanky 45-45, 30t PS Bungendore C'ship: M. Lyons 90-90, A. Fielen 88-90, K. Luck. FM F. Rees. 25t Mixed Bungendore C'ship: R. Hayes, G. Warner, M. Lyons. FM F. Rees. 30t DB Bungendore C'ship: R. Daniels, B. Smith, M. Lyons. FM B. Newcombe. High Gun J. Tanky. Inter High Gun P. Smith. 20t DB Hcp: 2 possibles T. Mooney, P. Babovic.

Fine shooting from Merv Lyons to shoot 90-90 in PS event. Congratulations to Rod Hayes in taking out his first championship. A good day's shooting for 120 targets each.

COFFS HARBOUR, 27-8-77 — Fine (22). 25t Skeet: D. Seccombe, R. Palmer, E. Simmon, J. Leussink 22-25. 25t Skeet: R. Palmer 24-25, E. Simmon, J. Leussink, D. Seccombe 22-25. 10t Tower: D. Wallace, G. Agnew, E. Simmon, R. Palmer, M. Dunn, M. Wilson, S. Simmonds 16-10. Spr DR Tower: S. Simmonds, W. McCarthy 9-10, M. Wilson 8-10.

COFFS HARBOUR, 3-9-77 — Fine (16). 25t Trench: E. Simmon, W. Davis 21-25, W. McCarthy 20-25.

COFFS HARBOUR, 10-9-77 — (23). 10t PS 16m: K. Thornton, R. Palmer 10-30, D. Davis 10-28. Club DR C'ship: S. Simmonds 17-20, K. Thornton 15-20, I. Reith 14-20 (Wangaratta). 10t DB off Hcp: W. Davis, S. Saul (Kempsey), W. McCarthy 10-10. 10t SB Hcp: R. Palmer, R. Stanlan, Jack Cunningham, J. Stewart 9-10 (Kempsey). 10t DB Cont. Hcp: W. Davis, R. Palmer, S. Simmonds, M. Dunn, D. Davis 10-10. High Gun: S. Simmonds 50-60.

Shooters welcomed from Kempsey and Wangaratta Gun Clubs.

COFFS HARBOUR, 10-9-77 — Fine and cool Night (8). 10t DB 16m: W. Davis, M. Dunn 10-10, S. Simmonds, R. Palmer 9-10. DR C'ship: S. Saul (Kempsey), S. Simmonds, W. Davis.

CONDOBOLIN, 25-9-77 — Fine (31). 12pr DD: J. Watts, D. Menck 12-12. 20pr Tom Lawler DD C'ship: G. Watts, D. Menck 21-21, B. Noll, B. Dent 20-21. 30t Centre of NSW C'ship: 'A' L. Morris, 'B' B. Dent, 'C' D. Wilson. 20t \$100 Hcp: 11-15m G. Fennamore, 16-20m G. Scott, 21-25m B. Duncan. 20t PS: T. Golding, D. Menck, N. Williamson. High Gun: Dave Wilson.

COWRA, 1-10-77 — Ideal (day 32, night 32). SS 10t: div G. Marshall, N. Dwight, D. Newcombe, R. Gittos, O. Feilen, M. Henwood, M. Nobes, B. Newcombe 10-10. Jackpot Trophy 15t: N. Dwight 17-17, O. Feilen (Cooma) 16-17. FM B. Newcombe 14-15. SS 6pr DR: divide A. Povey, R. Gittos 11-12. Lachlan Valley DR C'ship: 1st & badge L. Venables (Cooma) 18-20, 2nd J. Carter 20-24, 3rd S. Gittos 19-24. FM B. Newcombe 17-22. Novelty SS:

BREWARRINA

GUN CLUB

Christmas Shoot

SUNDAY, 18th DECEMBER, 1977

commencing 1.00 p.m.

Event 1	10 T DOUBLE BARREL HCP C/D	Nom. \$3.00
Event 2	20 T POINT SCORE HCP	Nom. \$6.00
Event 3	20 T DOUBLE BARREL 16 m	Nom. \$6.00
Event 4	5 PR DOUBLE RISE 16 m	Nom. \$3.00
Event 5	10 PR DEAUVILLE DOUBLES 18m	Nom. \$3.00
	Night Program	
	WESTERN ZONE NIGHT W/U C'SHIP	Nom. \$6.00

INTER & HIGH GUN OVER PROGRAM

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\$1.00 Opt Sweep each 25 targets.
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1st O. Feilen (Cooma) 10-10, divide J. McCann, M. Nobes, B. Newcombe, Mark Nobes, A. Campbell, D. Heilman 9-10.

Night - SS 10t: divide Mark Nobes, R. Gittoes, J. Carter, J. McCann, L. Venables, I. Campbell, O. Feilen, K. Rogan, L. Arnold 10-10. Lachlan Valley DB Night C'ship: 1st & badge J. McCann 23-23, 2nd L. Arnold 22-23, 3rd B. Newcombe. FM D. Newcombe.

Thirty-two shooters faced the traps under ideal shooting conditions. Visitors were in attendance from Canberra, Cooma and surrounding clubs and a most enjoyable day and night program was completed. The Jackpot Trophy was won by Noel Dwight of Cowra from O. Feilen (Cooma) with B. Newcombe (Canberra) winning the front markers trophy. The Lachlan Valley Double Rise C'ship which was the main event of the day program was won by Les Venables (Cooma) with 18-20 -- rumour has it that each of Les' targets had a strong smell of a brown liquid and Les' gun worked like radar. Second place went to John Carter (Cowra) third, Stephen Gittoes (Cowra) with B. Newcombe (Canberra) taking the FM trophy.

The main event of the night program the Lachlan Valley Double Barrel Night C'ship was won by John McCann (Cowra) from Laurie Arnold (Bathurst) with the "Newcombe Duo" taking out third and FM.

The Christmas shoot will be held on the first Saturday in December when every shooter on the ground will receive a bottle of champagne -- everyone is welcome -- members and especially visitors.

DENILQUIN, 21-8-77 -- Windy (70). Club DR C'ship: K. Crossley, M. Gibson, T. Holschier. FM I. Pyke. Club DD C'ship: G. Dennis and M. Holden, J. Whittakers and T. Reid. 10t Trophy Hcp: G. Bilson, J. Whittakers, A. Campbell. BM R. Allen.

DENILQUIN, 18-9-77 -- Fine and windy (73). 5t Pts EO off 16m: 15 possibles. 20t DB C'ship: R. Hooper 28-28, D. Hubbard 27-28, R. Trist 24-25. FM V. Satore. 20t Trophy Hcp: W. Koopman 27-27, Mrs R. Allen 26-27, N. Munro 23-24. BM R. Macaulay.

DENILQUIN, 21-10-77 -- (75). 20t DB Night C'ship: M. Hastie 31-31, K. Crossley 30-31, I. Poole 29-30. FM S. Hubezak 18-20. 10t Trophy Hcp: G. Bedington 24-24, G. Marchant 26-27, S. Bickford 25-27. BM K. Bucholtz.

DENILQUIN, 22-10-77 -- Fine and windy (135). 20t Grand Prix Hcp: S. Hubezak, K. Maag, T. Colson. 11-13m G. Bedington, 14-15m D. Trim, 16-17m G. Walker 18-19m K. Crossley, 20-21m D. Jackel, 22-25m R. McKenzie. Denilquin & Dist DB C'ship graded: 'A' J. Henwood, R. Hooper; 'B' & OA K. Crossley, M. Weeks; 'C' F. Headon, R. Rabovic. 15t Trophy Hcp: G. Lane 26-26, J. Law 25-26, T. Colson 23-24. BM K. Bucholtz.

FINLEY, 25-9-77 -- Medium head wind (33). 10t SB EO: 7 divided 10-10. Strn Riverina SB C'ship: T. Reid 20-20, K. Bucholtz 35-36, S. Armstrong 34-36. FM P. Barkley 21-24. 15t Hcp: 8 possibles S. Holschier 66-66, T. Reid 65-66, V. Sartore 58-59. Novice M. Holschier 19-20. 10t SB G. A. Edwards Cup: 4 possibles S. Holschier 22-22. 10t SS: 5 divided 10-10.

GOROKE, 1-10-77 -- Perfect (75). 20t Central Wimmera DB C'ship: OA J. Hinneburg 76-76, 'A' A. McIntyre 75-76, M. Whitehead 52-53; 'B' C. Budde 27-28, C. Jarred 24-25; 'C' R. Emmerson 23-24, G. Tischler 22-24. 20t \$75 Cash Hcp: 6 divided G. Tischler, R. Denby, S. Rentsch, R. Emmerson, R. McDonald, D. Hicks.

Our Annual Show Day Shoot with good attendance. Congratulations to J. Hinneburg on winning Championship.

GOULBURN WORKERS, 8-10-77 -- Fine and warm (45). 15t DB CD: 10 divided. 20t SB C'ship: OA R. Duncan (Illawarra), 'A' K. Longmore (June), 'B' J. Webster (Crookwell), 'C' T. Mooney (Goulburn). 20t CD 16m PS: R. Smith 75-75 (Goulburn), G. Hug 73-75 (Goulburn), C. Cunningham Sr 59-60 (Goulburn). Night 20t DB Graded Hcp: OA F. Quilter (Goulburn), 'A' F. Lucarda (Royal Aero), 'B' G. Hug (Goulburn), 'C' J. Hunt (Goulburn).

GOULBURN WORKERS, 9-10-77 -- Fine and warm (62). 20t DB C'ship: OA G. Salmon (H'bury) 97-97, 'A' F. Lucarda (Royal Aero), 2nd 'A' M. Lyons (Q'byan-Canberra), 3rd 'A'

PARKES GUN CLUB

Xmas & "Twin Cities" Night C'ship Shoot

10th DECEMBER, 1977

commences 2 p.m.

Event 1 10 T DB EYE OPENER C.D. HCP Nom. \$2.00

Event 2 20 T \$100 CASH HANDICAP TOM POWEL MEMORIAL SHIELD in conjunction. 5 MAN TEAMS TROPHY MEMBERS WINNING TEAM \$1.00 per man. Nom. \$5.00

Event 3 10 T "CHICKEN CAPERS" 2 MAN TEAM DRAW FOR PARTNERS PRIZE 1st 10 TEAMS. Nom. \$2.00

Event 4 5 T DR "TURKEY TROT" Off Tower. 1st Turkey, 2nd 2 chickens, 3rd 1 chicken, lowest score bottle wine. Nom. \$2.00

BBQ NIGHT BBQ

Event 5 10 T DB EYE OPENER C.D. HCP Nom. \$2.00

Event 6 20 T "TWIN CITIES" DB NIGHT C'SHIP Opt. Sweep 2 x 10 50c (\$1.50). 1st Trophy PLUS Badge; 2nd, 3rd T/M Trophies -- Total Noms. \$20.50; Total Opt. SS \$1.50. Nom. \$6.00

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Ground Location: Sydney/Marconi Clay Target Complex, Heathcote Road, Meani.

SUNDAY 11th DECEMBER

10 a.m. start

★ XMAS SHOOT ★

Event 1 15 T DB HCP C/D Nom. \$4.00

Event 2 15 T DB 16 m 15 T P/S 16 m Nom. \$14.00

15 T DB MINI TGTS 16 m 15 T DB CONT. 16 m

5 PAIR DR 16 m

\$1.00 OA, \$1.00 each round.

Shot in 5 rounds, Graded A B & C.

Trophies 1st, 2nd & 3rd each grade.

TIME PERMITTING -- NOVELTY EVENTS.

HIGH GUN BADGE OVER EVENTS 1 & 2

SUNDAY 22nd JANUARY

Event 1 15 T DB HCP C/D Nom. \$4.00

Event 2 50 T DB GRADED CASH EVENT 60% 30% 10% each Grade. \$1.00 O/All, \$1.00 each 25. Nom. \$10.00

Event 3 CLUB P/S C'SHIP Badge to Overall winner. Trophies 1st & 2nd each grade. (\$1.00) Nom. \$6.00

Event 4 15 T DB CONT. 16m S/Stakes (\$1.00) HIGH GUN BADGE OVER EVENTS 1 2 3 & 4 Nom. \$2.00

SUNDAY 19th FEBRUARY

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M. Quirk (Sutton Forest); 'B' H. Smith (Goulburn), J. Webster (Goulburn), R. Tetley (Goulburn); 'C' F. Gannell (Bungendore), T. Mooney (Goulburn), R. Gooch (Goulburn). 20t Grand Hcp: T. Mooney (Goulburn), M. Lyons (Queanbeyan-Canberra), 11-14m J. Rose (Hawkesbury), R. Hunt (Goulburn); 15-17m H. Anderson (Crookwell), J. Casey (Goulburn); 18-20m R. Tetley (Goulburn), N. Nicholson (Crookwell); 21-25m R. Smith (Goulburn), J. Ellis (Q'byan-Canberra). 10pr DR: OA K. Longmore (June), 'A' N. Smith (G'burn), 'B' H. Smith (G'burn), 'C' J. McIntyre (G'burn). High Gun OA J. Ellis 143-150. Inter High Gun T. Mooney. High Gun Final Day K. Longmore 72-75.

GRIFITH, 15-10-77 — Fine and warm (23). 25t EO: 11 shooters divided sweepstakes. 50t Club Trophy: 0-1 hcp group D. Lucas 49-50, 2-3 John Evans 45-50, 4-10 J. Brettschneider 45-50. High Gun D. Lucas 74-75.

GULGONG, 25-8-77 — Fine and sunny (13). 10t EO: J. Smith 10-10. 20t DB Club C'ship: J. Taylor 18-20, J. Smith 38-42, P. Clarkson 39-42. 10t Quail: D. McIntosh 9-10, P. Clarkson 5t SB: P. Clarkson 5-5. 10t Quail: P. Clarkson 9-10, J. Smith, J. Taylor 7-10.

An enjoyable afternoon had by all except for a few interruptions, the first being delivery of a calf in adjacent paddock then trap breaking down. Congratulations to J. Taylor for winning DB Club Championship.

GUYRA, 1-10-77 — Fine and warm (137). NSW DB C'ship: 'B' & OA T. Russell 91-91, 'A' I. Stewart 78-79, 'C' J. Dunn 34-35; 2nd 'A' R. Jenness, 2nd 'B' A. Turner Jnr, 2nd 'C' B. Sweeney. Ladies 1st Mrs J. Longmore, 2nd Miss L. Burgess. NSW SB C'ship: 'B' & OA N. Williamson 42-42, 'A' A. Alvaro 31-32, 'C' R. Sweeney 28-30; 2nd 'A' J. Maxwell, 2nd 'B' A. McClenaghan, 2nd 'C' R. Castle. Ladies 1st Mrs L. Jenkins 26-30, 2nd Miss L. Burgess 28-33.

The State carnival is over again for another year and the Guyra Club members would like to express appreciation to all the competitors who attended and helped in making the carnival the success we feel it was. We would like to especially thank visiting referees who helped over the three days.

We were honoured in having both ACTA President and Secretary, Mr Ern Hawkins and Mr Noel Southey, and their wives with us over the weekend and we sincerely thank them for their attendance.

Congratulations to Vince Phillips on being elected president of the NSW State Association at the State Association meeting on Saturday night.

GUYRA, 2-10-77 — Fine and warm (154). 30t PS 18m: 90-90 R. Melville, 89-90 L. Lee, 88-90 L. Morris, V. Flower, D. Sullivan, A. M. Burgess, G. Wilson. State team: mens - J. Maxwell, M. Burgess, G. Wilson, L. Morris, R. Melville, W. Jones, P. Owen, D. Sullivan, L. Lee, C. Burt, T. Rumbel, I. Stewart, N. Williamson, T. Russell, R. Alvaro. Ladies - Mrs J. Longmore, Miss D. Starr, Miss L. Burgess, Mrs A. Noll, Mrs L. Jenkins, Mrs M. White. 40t Cash Hcp: 40-40 S. Mihalika, A. Mitchell, J. Power, A. Turner Jnr, R. Loy, L. Anderson, E. Milham, Miss L. Burgess, R. Castle, V. Burgess, L. Lee, S. Balough, G. Rommell, T. Rumbel, W. Luckey.

GUYRA, 3-10-77 — Fine and windy (142). Winchester Tournament: T. Rumbel 112-112, I. Reid 111-112, P. Owen 102, R. Alvaro 95, L. Anderson 90, S. Balogh 89, A. Alvaro and R. Jenness 79, A. Turner Jnr 67, A. McClenaghan 64. Lady shooter: Miss L. Burgess 29-30; FM: J. Poole 30-30; Junior: V. Burgess 29-30. 20t PS Trophy: P. Owen 63-63, R. Hinshelwood, C. Burt. New England DR C'ship: G. Rommell 30-32, K. Greenwood 29-32, B. Kable 25-27. Lady shooter: Miss L. Burgess 15-20. Ladies High Gun: Mrs J. Longmore. Inter High Gun: F. Elks. Open High Gun: P. Owen.

HAWKESBURY, 24 & 25-9-77 — Cold & windy. Event 1 24-9-77 Skeet 50t Strn Zone Skeet C'ship: E. Kavanagh 50-50. Event 2 25-9-77 IMI Champion of Champions: OA & 'A' R. Hunt 94-100, F. Rappley 92-100; 'B' K. Bosanko 87-100, T. Price 81-100; 'C' C. Needs 81-100, A. Mower 79-100.

Congratulations to E. Kavanagh, he gives us a bad time when we visit NSW and now wraps us on our own grounds. IMI Champion of Champions is just that. All events under local ACTA rules are included. It needs more than luck to win this event and congratulations to Dick (if you have a trigger freeze he can perform the necessary surgery) Hunt. Dick Snow presented the trophies on behalf of IMI. This event is truly of significance in the shooting calendar.

HAY, 9-10-77 — Fine, windy (28). Presidents Trophy Skeet 5t DB 5t SB 10pr DR: K. Bucholtz 51-55, F. Martinelli 48-55, M. Gibson 56-65, L. McGrath 54-65, M. Valentine 46-55. 10t SB Mug: D. Brill.

HILLSTON, 9-10-77 — Slight breeze, cloudy, 10t EO: M. Payne 9-10, S. Trembath, M. Brettschneider 8-10. 20t DB Bellingrambil C'ship: M. Brettschneider 20-20, M. Payne 23-24, S. Trembath 22-24. 20t SB Bellingrambil: M. Brettschneider 17-20, M. Payne 13-20, S. Trembath 12-20. 10t Hcp: S. Trembath 10-10, M. Payne 9-10, M. Brettschneider 8-10. 12t Quail Drive: S. Trembath 10-12, M. Brettschneider 9-12, N. Coates 8-12.

ILLAWARRA DISTRICT, 1-10-77 — Fine, slightly overcast (20). 10t DB Sweep 16m EO: 5 possibles C. Azzopardi, N. Verdon, K. Edwards, R. Webb, K. Perkins. Mugs Cup 10t PS: 2 possibles M. Galli, R. Webb, after a shoot-off M. Galli took the honours. Wongawilli SB C'ship 20t SB C'ship: M. Galli 23-23, K. Perkins 23-24, D. Watchorn 22-24. FM M. Seider, 10pr DR SS: M. Galli 17-20, R. Webb, L. Chodak 16-20. 10t Hcp SS: 7 possibles J. Azzopardi, M. Seider, K. Edwards, J. Pallister, C. Payne, N. Verdon, R. Hunt.

M. Galli proved to be too hot for the other shooters taking out first place in the monthly Mugs Cup, the Single Barrel C'ship and the Double Rise.

ILLAWARRA DISTRICT, 16-10-77 — Overcast (35). 10t DB Hcp Sweep EO: 9 possibles. 15t DB Hcp Trophy: R. Watchorn 32-32, K. Edwards 50-51, L. Lee 49-50. FM K. O'Brien; BM R. Doncan. Illawarra Dist DB C'ship: J. Blain 78-78, C. Young 77-78, K. Perkins 71-72. FM C. Wolfe 19-21. Illawarra Dist. SB C'ship: K. Perkins 20-20, R. Duncan 23-24, F. Rappley 33-35. FM D. Wolfe 18-22. 20t DB Cont. 16m CD: 6 possibles.

High Gun sweep was shared by K. Perkins and R. Duncan, each scoring 63-65. Our newly appointed referee examiner Fred Rappley seems to be having difficulty in handling his new handicap of 24 metres. K. O'Brien lost a metre.

JUNEE, 25-9-77 — Fine and windy (25). 5pr DR Mini Tower: K. Longmore, B. Keefe divide 7-10, A. Seary 6-10. State DR Mini Tower: OA & 'B' R. Fox (Wagga), 'A' K. Longmore (June), 'C' G. Seary (June). Junee DB Club C'ship: J. Parr (R.I.G.C.) 20-20, J. Blain (Narrandera) 41-42, Mrs J. Longmore (June) 40-42.

High Gun: R. Fox (Wagga).

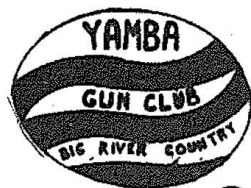
JUNEE, 23-10-77 — Fine and warm (35). 10t DB EO: 9 divide 10-10. 20t DB Trophy Hcp: R. Blake (Wagga), L. Bird (Cowra), B. Keefe (June). 10t PS: 4 divide 30-30. 10pr DD: 4 divide 10-10, 6 divide 9-10.

FM: J. Considine (June). High Gun K. Longmore (June).

KEMPSEY, 16-10-77 — Overcast and cool (20). 10t DB EO 16m: 10-10 Pat Walker, Graham Gosling, Len Baker, Paul Thompson, Bill Davis, Eric Neill and Stephen Saul. 20t Macleay Valley Dist SB C'ship 16m: Stephen Saul 18-20, Pat Farrel 18-22, Asen Neill 17-22. FM: Stephen Saul. 20t Pts 57th Anniversary Trophy Hcp: Asen Neill 60-60, John Stewart 57-60, Pat Walker after a shoot-off with Bill Neill. 20t Macleay Valley Dist DB C'ship 16m: Bill Davis (Coffs Harbour) 20-21, Paul Thompson (Taree) 19-21, 3rd & FM Pat Walker after a shoot-off with E. Neill, J. Gosling, S. Soul, I. Neill, D. Davis.

Young Kempsey shooter Stephen Saul shot well all day to win the Single Barrel Championship and eventually the High Gun with 62-70 after a shoot-off with Bill Davis from Coffs Harbour, the Double Barrel Champion. Veteran shooter Asen Neill recorded the only possible of the day to take out the Point Score Trophy. Although the attendance was not as high as expected and the weather unfavourable, an enjoyable time was had by all. Congratulations go to all trophy winners.

LEETON, 23-10-77 — Hot (50). 10t DB EO: 17 possibles. Leeton G.C. DB C'ship: 11



Yamba Gun Club

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Situated on Palmers Island
off Maclean - Yamba Road

SATURDAY, 3rd DECEMBER

2.00 p.m.

Event 1	10 tgt D.B. Sweep off Hcp	Nom. \$2.00
Event 2	10 tgt P.S. Sweep off Hcp	Nom. \$2.00
Event 3	20 tgt D.B. Trophy off Hcp	Nom. \$5.00

SATURDAY NIGHT

Event 4	5 Tgt D.B. Tower Sweep	Nom. \$2.50
Event 5	5 prs D.R. Tower Sweep	Nom. \$2.50
Event 6		Nom. \$8.50

NORTHERN ZONE D.R.
TOWER NIGHT C'SHIP
Trophies 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

SUNDAY 4th DECEMBER

9.30 a.m.

Event 7	5 prs D.R. Sweep off 16 m	Nom. \$2.00
Event 8		Nom. \$6.00
Event 9	BIG RIVER DISTRICT D.R. CHAMPIONSHIP A B & C Grades.	Nom. \$6.00
Event 10	BIG RIVER DISTRICT D.D. CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$2.00
Event 11	10 Tgt D.B. Sweep off Hcp	Nom. \$6.00

20 Tgt Cash Handicap
30% each 10 tgts, 40% overall.

HIGH GUN OVER ALL EVENTS
EXCLUDING EVENT 9

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- ★ **NOVEMBER 26th** — 1.30 p.m. start
Kuringai Dist. DB Cont. C'ship
Sydney Dist. DR C'ship
Sydney Dist. Deauville Doubles C'ship

- ★ **DECEMBER 3rd** — 1.30 p.m. start
Olympic Trench, ISU Skeet,
ACTA Skeet Shooting

- ★ **DECEMBER 10th** — 1.30 p.m. start
Open Christmas Handicap Shoot

- ★ **DECEMBER 17th** — 1.30 p.m. start
Christmas Shoot
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High Gun: Les MacDonald.
LISMORE, 22-10-77 — Hot, windy (19). 10t SB 16m: L. Kee, J. Tainsh 9-10. 20t SB Nth Coast C'ship: J. Tainsh 15-20 'A' & OAG. Ethel 11-20 'B', I. Priddle 15-20 'C'. 20t DB Hcp: L. Kee 19-20, I. Priddle 18-20, J. Tainsh 18-20, S. Spears 18-20. 20t DB "Points": R. Shepherd 56-19, D. Hanger 54-18, J. Tainsh 52-18. 25t Mixed Tgts Nthm Zone C'ship: J. Tainsh 17-25 OA & 'A', G. Ethel 15-25 'B', I. Priddle 14-25 'C'.

Very strong winds kept scores low.
LISMORE, 23-10-77 — Cloudy and cool (18). 5pr DR 16m: J. Tainsh, R. Turner, K. Denver 7-10. 10pr DR City of Lismore C'ship: R. Buxton 18-22 'C' & OA, R. Turner 14-20 'A', G. Ethel 16-20 'B'. 20t DB Pts Hcp: R. Shepherd 69-24, L. Kee 68-23, J. Duyker 56-19 (Best 11-12m I. Priddle 55-19). 20t DB Hcp: J. Duyker, I. Priddle 19-20, B. Feilds 18-20, J. Tainsh 18-20.

NARRANDERA, 8-10-77 — Night (27). 10t Cont off 18m: B. Charles, G. McDonald, R. Boshby, M. Stanmore, N. McDermott, B. Press, A. Boond. Riverina Zone Night Cont. DB C'ship: Noel McDermott, Alan Walker, Rob Bushby. Lady shooter Lola Charles. FM Gary Craze.

NARRANDERA, 16-10-77 — Fine (41). 10t DB EO: T. Atkinson, E. I. Whytcross, K. Shearer, T. Kirk, B. Charles, R. Fox, R. Williams, R. Oveson, C. Post, J. Parr, R. Golden, A. Bound, R. Patterson, G. Salkeld. 20t DB Trophy: R. Patterson, P. Wheeler, G. McKenzie. FM N. Hackett; BM M. Stanmore; Lady Shooter Kathy Wardman; FM High Gun R. Patterson; High Gun OA D. Fox; Ladies Raffle Marg. Stout. 15t off all metres: L. McDonald, M. Walker, B. Coraci.

NEWCASTLE, 18-9-77 — Fine and sunny (57). City of Newcastle DB C'ship: L. Kent 38-38, R. Hinshelwood 37-38, R. Melville 31-32; 11-14m L. Patterson 27-30. City of Newcastle SB C'ship: K. Neill 29-30, V. Phillips 28-30, J. Fryer 27-30; 11-14m C. Wolfe 25-30. City of Newcastle Points C'ship: J. Lee 99-112, L. Cooper 98-112, L. Bull 86-90; 11-14m J. McBride 71-90. City of Newcastle DR C'ship: G. Rommel 21-22, J. Lee 20-22, L. Cooper 18-20; 11-14m M. Lawrence 13-20. City of Newcastle Overall High Gun C'ship: V. Phillips 99-110.

Congratulations Vince Phillips on winning the Overall High Gun C'ship. Visitors from Wyong, Upper Hunter, Taree, Wingham, Royal Aero, Brisbane, Cessnock, Tamworth and Marconi Gun Clubs.

NEW ENGLAND, 9-10-77 — Fine and warm (29). 5t DB Hcp: J. Penrose, Alan Kempton, J. McPhee, Jack Lohse, S. Boyd-Law, N. Reeves, R. Loy, P. Jensen and Bud Sweeney 5-5. 10t PS Cont. Hcp: Bud Sweeney 29-30, D. Ellis 28-30, K. Greenwood 27-30. 20t DB Cont Hcp: C. Varley 19-20, A. Kempton, A. Post, N. Reeves, D. Ellis, R. Loy, P. Jensen, J. Lane 18-20. 5pr DR Hcp: D. Cuninghame 9-10, R. Sweeney 9-10, D. Ellis 8-10.

The Macanish Tin Tray was shot on event 3 and won by Guyra team C. Varley, D. Ellis, N. and D. Reeves, Ray and Bud Sweeney with 87 points with New England team 82 points. High Gun to Doug Ellis 58-65. FM High Gun: Alan Kempton 56-65.

N.S.W., 15-10-77 — Cloudy and warm (47). IMI Waratah Classic: Dick Hunt, John Guberina, Dick Piotrowski 30-30. 20t DB Hcp: P. Abela, L. Loy, B. Conduit, W. Rogers 29-20. Even though the quantity wasn't there the quality of shooting was nothing short of excellent. Congratulations to Dick Hunt in winning the "Waratah Classic" and having the highest recorded break so far in the Classic of 165-166. Further congratulations to the other winners for some spectacular shooting.

PARKES, 8-10-77 — Fine, warm (44). 10t Hcp CD: 10's D. Wilson, L. Bird, G. Fitzgerald, B. Duncan, I. Campbell, J. W. Smith, P. Barclay. 20t PS C'ship: 1st & OA R. Elison 59-60, 2nd L. Arnold 58-60, 57's shoot-off 3rd R. Piotrowski 87-90; FM P. Barclay 54-60. 20t DB Hcp conj Trophy: 20's D. Menck, L. Bird, B. Minos, N. Dwight, I. Campbell, A. Campbell, P. Barclay; 1st P. Barclay 49-49, 2nd B. Minos 48-49, 3rd D. Menck 45-46, 4th I. Campbell 40-41. 20t C'ship: 20's D. Menck, T. Golding, L. Arnold, R. Piotrowski, J. W. Smith, P. Barclay after shoot-off 1st R. Piotrowski 40-40, 2nd J. W. Smith 39-40, 3rd T. Golding 33-34; FM P. Barclay 31-32. Western Zone Night DD C'ship: 1st & Outright L. Arnold, D. Menck 18-20; 2nd after shoot-off J. W. Smith, R. Piotrowski. Various Novelty Events were conducted between events 4-5. Events being 5pr DR 1st L. Arnold, 10t Tower SS 10's N. Rogan, R. Piotrowski, P. Godfrey, A. Campbell.

Donated by Michael's Bayley "High Gun" won by D. Menck 1 down after shoot-off with P. Barclay. Break Badges were won by P. Barclay 75 break, D. Minos 50 break. Don't forget we practice on 3rd Sunday's 2.00 p.m.

QUEANBEYAN/CANBERRA, 23-10-77 — Fine sunny (34). 10t DB Hcp CD: 14 possibles. Fred Morton Shield 20t PS Hcp: P. Smith 78-78, B. Newcombe 77-78, F. Rees 65-66; FM W. Casey 62-63. 10t Cont 16m CD: 6 possibles. 25t Club Cont. C'ship 16m: B. Smith 47-47, S. Balogh 46-47, G. Warner 25-26; D. Newcombe 26-28. High Gun 100-105 B. Daniel.

Champion of Champions: Merv Lyons, B. Daniel, G. Baxter. This is shot for over the year with scores of each C'ship being added together. Night Owl Champion of Champions: Merv Lyons, B. Daniel, G. Baxter.

RANKINS SPRINGS, 16-10-77 — Fine, cool (7). 10t DB Hcp SS: J. Irvine 10-10, S. Trembath, E. Heffernan 9-10. 10t SB 16m SS: S. Trembath, E. Heffernan 10-10, J. Irvine, J. Harman 9-10. 10t PS Hcp SS: T. Merriman 30-30, J. Harman 29-30, S. Trembath 28-30. 10t Mini DB 16m SS: G. McDonald, J. Harman 10-10, S. Trembath, T. Merriman, R. Huddleston, E. Heffernan, J. Irvine 9-10. 10t Cont. 16m SS: S. Trembath, E. Heffernan 10-10, G. McDonald, T. Merriman, R. Huddleston, J. Irvine 9-10.

Club Champion 1st Stan Trembath 4 points down, 2nd Ean Heffernan, 3rd Jack Harman.

ROYAL AERO, 25-9-77 — (92). 15t DB Hcp EO: SKB Shoot 17 possibles. Royal Aero Club Trophy Hcp: P. Mansueto 95-95, J. Vella 94-95, H. W. Thurlow 38-39, 4th P. Smith 34-35. SKB Grand Hcp (4 shotguns): FM P. Abela 31-32; BM N. Bullimore 22-23; 11-14m 1st and 2nd to be shot off 23/10/77, 15-18m 1st W. Valentine 57-57, 2nd N. Jackson 56-57; 19-21m 1st V. Watson 53-53, 2nd F. Bradnell 52-53; 22-25m 1st B. Kable 20-20, 2nd N. Bullimore 19-20. SKB Consolation C'ship: shoot-off's in all grades. High Gun: W. Valentine.

Our sincere thanks to SKB for their generous support. Congratulations to all winners - we saw some very fine shooting, particularly W. Valentine in winning the High Gun. Break badges 90 to P. Babovic (75), W. Valentine (75), G. Bedington (100) and Barry Kable made it back to 25 metres.

ROYAL AERO, 9-10-77 — Fine (34). County of Cumberland Mixed Tgts C'ship: 'A' & OA R. Alvaro 25-25, 'B' V. Watson 47-55, 'C' W. Rogers 20-25. Trophy Handicap: M. Fuller 62-62, P. Heath 61-62, L. Trew 59-60. Bankstown DD C'ship: V. Watson and G. Fitzgerald 20-20, A. Romanello and M. Galli 49-50. High Gun: R. Alvaro.

ROYAL AERO, 16-10-77 — Fine. Closed members shoot - Bankstown "100": 'A' & OA B. Kable 179-179, C. Grima 273-275, 'B' V. Watson 120-122, P. Smith 119-122, 'C' A. Stanfield 92-100, J. Strong 91-107.

Congratulations to C. Grima on winning 250 break badge.

ROYAL AERO, 23-10-77 — Fine (49). Final Shoot-off results from SKB Shoot 25-9-77 - SKB Grand Hcp: 1st J. Vella 222-222, 2nd P. Mansueto 221-222. SKB Consolation C'ship: 'A' & OA B. Kable 121-121, W. Maryska 120-121; 'B' K. Northcott 34-35, J. Pallister 33-35; 'C' W. Valentine 29-30, B. Neaves 28-30. Royal Aero Aggregate DR C'ship: 'A' & OA K. Loy 30-30, 'B' C. Davenport 26-30, 'C' J. Szabo 27-30; Club Sterling Silver badge: L. Trew. County of Cumberland DD C'ship: D. & G. McAllister 47-47, 2nd F. Luccarda and S. Phillips 46-47. Trophy Hcp: 10 possibles - shoot-off 20/11/77. High Gun: K. Loy 44-45.

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Nominations \$38. Optional Sweeps.

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★ ★ 3 DAYS OF COMPETITION ★ ★

NEW YEARS EVE (commencing 2 p.m.)

Nom. \$8.00

M.I.A. SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP 50 Targets

O.S. each 25 targets, first 25 tgts off gun; second 25 tgts off handicap.

FREE BARBECUE TEA AT NIGHT

NEW YEARS DAY PROGRAM (commencing 10 a.m.)

Event 1 Nom. \$6.00

GRIFFITH G.C. C'SHIP

20 Tgts from 16 m

Sash & Trophies 1st, Trophies 2 3 & FM

O.S. \$1.00 Overall.

Event 2 Nom. \$1.00

5 TGT E.O. OFF HCP

Event 3 Nom. \$25.00

M.I.A. GRAND HANDICAP

20 targets from Handicap Marks.

Trophies 1st 2nd & 3rd in each of the following Hcp

Groups: 11-14 15-16 17-18 19-21 22-25.

O.S. \$1.00 Overall

Trophies (1st) Air Travel to New Zealand Nationals (including accommodation); (2nd) 300 Cartridges; (3rd) 200 Cartridges. (Tickets for this trip are from Sydney Airport departing on 30th March 1978).

NIGHT

Event 4 Nom. \$1.50

5 TGT DB E/O FROM 20m

Event 5 Nom. \$10.00

COMMONWEALTH DB NIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP

Graded, 40 tgts off 20 m

Trophies 1st in each grade. Sash & Trophy to OA winner.

O.S. \$1.00 ea 20 tgts; \$1.00 Overall.

JANUARY 2nd 10 a.m. start

Event 6 Nom. \$2.00

5 PR DD E/O from 20 m

Event 7 Nom. \$6.00

GRIFFITH GUN CLUB DD CHAMPIONSHIP

20 pr off 20 m

Trophies: 1st - 2 Triple Two (222) H.P. Rifles (one for each member of winning team); 2nd - 2 trophies at \$25.00 each.
O.S. \$1.00 Overall.

Event 8 Nom. \$5.00

5 TGT ELIM. OFF 16 m

Trophy: Return Air Fare to New Zealand Nationals (from Sydney Airport).

TIME PERMITTING

20 Tgt Handicap

Nom \$5.00 - 60% of Noms. returned to shooters.

HIGH GUN OVER EVENTS 1 2 3 4 5 & 8

SHOOTERS: Visit Griffith and the Griffith Gun Club this new year, the venue for the 1979 Nationals in N.S.W.

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Secretary:
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Phone 62-1423

Fine shooting by K. Loy to win the High Gun - including 30-30 Double Rise. Nice to see a father and son take out a Deouville Double - it is rumoured that son got father out of trouble on at least one occasion!

SOUTHERN, 9-10-77 — Fine, cool, slight breeze (32). EO St: 14 divided: IMI Aust Ltd. DB Hcp 20t: H. Faux 14.0 30-30, G. Harding 12.0 29-30, A. Morgan 11.0 25-26; yardage C. Holt 14.0 23-24. State Walk-Up C'ship 20t: R. Hutchinson 14-20, G. Hill 18-30, C. Wohlfiel 17-30. Taipan High Gun: C. Wohlfiel 40-51.

TUMUT, 9-10-77 — Fine (18). 10t SB: A. McKenzie, K. Woodbridge 10-10. Tumut Dist SB C'ship: OA E. Vincent 35-35; 'A' K. Woodbridge 34-35, 'B' M. Twomey 19-20, 'C' V. Rees 27-28; FM N. Hackett 16-20. 20t DB Hcp: 11-13m J. J. Power 21-21, N. Hackett 20-21; 14-17m V. Rees 25-25, A. McKenzie 24-25; 18-25m B. Mayo 20-20, E. Vincent 26-27. 10t DB Hcp, 10t Cont DB: B. Dowell 20-20, B. Mayo, K. Woodbridge, E. Vincent 19-20. High Gun: K. Woodbridge 68-70.

Some very good scores with six shooters on possibles for the overall section of championship. A change in the Vincent Yearly High Gun trophy with K. Woodbridge taking a four point lead from G. Keir.

WARREN, 16-10-77 — Cool (11). 10t DB 16m: D. Cosgrove 10-10, R. Inglis, B. Murphy, P. Barclay, R. Kinsey 9-10. 20t W-U C'ship: R. Gale 15-22, J. Hunter 14-22, P. Barclay 12-20. 10t PS Hcp: R. Kinsey 42-45, O. Glasson 39-45, R. Inglis 28-30. 10pr DR C'ship: D. Cosgrove 19-20, P. Barclay 17-20, D. Coaker 16-20. 10t DB Hcp: P. Barclay, D. Cosgrove, R. Gale, D. Coaker 10-10.

WEST WYALONG, 20-8-77 — Windy (26). 10t PS EO off Hcp CD: B. Crossman shot the possible, 2nd were R. Lord and F. Ashton 28-30. 20t PS Trophy off Hcp: B. Duncan, D. Hopper, G. Duncan; BM trophy L. Anderson. 20t West Wyalong G.C. DB C'ship: 'A' B. Duncan, 'B' D. Hopper, 'C' & OA D. Menck; FM Trophy G. Bolte. Night Shoot - 5t SB off 16m CD: The possible was shot by L. Anderson, R. Lord. 20t Northern Riverina SB Night C'ship: 'A' L. Anderson, 'B' D. Hopper, 'C' & OA R. Lord.

Although the weather conditions were not an advantage to the shooters the scores were of a high standard. D. Hopper took out High Gun with a loss of six targets.

WEST WYALONG, 17-9-77 — Fair (23). 10t SB off Hcp CD: B. Moncrieff, N. McMahon, R. Pike, B. Crossman all shot 9-10. 20t SB Hcp Trophy: B. Duncan 19-20, R. Dawes 18-20, V. Kalms 17-20; BM L. Anderson. 20t DB off 16m: V. Kalms 20-20, B. Duncan 39-40, L. Anderson 38-40. Night Shoot - 5t DB EO off 16m: V. Kalms, B. Moncrieff, B. Duncan, A. Gabb, G. Duncan all shot 5-5. 20t Nthm Riverina Night DB C'ship: 'A' B. Duncan & OA, 'B' L. Anderson, 'C' G. Duncan; FM G. Bolte.

Barry Duncan shot well from back mark to lose only four targets for the day.

YOUNG SOLFERINO, 16-10-77 — Fine and cool (35). 10t DB EO: 12 possibles L. Cooper, G. Heston, T. Lynch, Snow Brown, A. J. Baker, R. Shaw, A. Beaumont, P. Babovic, F. Reece, J. Shannon, P. Farrell, J. Carter. Young Solferino 30t PS Hcp: W. Warren, B. Newcombe, C. Warren; FM F. Reece. 20pr Sth West Slopes DR C'ship: T. Lynch, V. Rees, K. Woodbridge; P. Roberts. Great Eastern Hotel \$200 20t Cash Hcp: 10 possibles G. Heston, T. Lynch, R. Shaw, P. Babovic, B. Newcombe, J. Shannon, P. Farrell, C. Warren, J. Carter, D. Simpson.

Shooters came from all walks of life as well as from district Clubs. We were very pleased to welcome back Alex Baker from Tumut to defend his Grand Prix Title, was his excuse. A special mention to Laurie Cooper from Taree-Wingham Club who attended and Bob O'Bryon from Coffs Harbour. The Grand Prix was won by Bill Warren from the newly formed Booroowa Club, good to see shooters from newly formed Clubs doing well in open company. His son Chris aged 11 astounded everyone by shooting 88-90 points in this event and finished third overall. Good luck Booroowa.

HAY GUN CLUB EASTER SHOOT 1978

PRELIMINARY NOTICE

**Easter Sat. 25th, Sun. 26th
& Mon. 27th March**

**THREE DAYS OF SHOOTING
ACTION !**

President:
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Secretary:
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(Affiliated with the A.C.T.A.)

Shooting Grounds:
Heathcote Road,
Menai

Postal Address:
Box 118
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CITY OF SYDNEY WINCHESTER SHIELD SHOOT DECEMBER 3rd, 1977 commencing 1 p.m.

Event 1

Noms. \$6.00

**Sutherland
St. George
PS Championship**
20 targets off 16 metres
Opt. Sweep \$1.00

Event 2

Noms. \$6.00

**City of Sydney
Winchester Shield
Teams Shoot**
20 targets DB off 18 m
Opt. Sweep \$1.00

Teams of five affiliated A.C.T.A. members to compete.
Winner Shield and Badge for each member of winning
team. Cash Divide winning team 60%, runners-up 40%.

Event 3

Noms. \$6.00

**Sydney Gun Club
DR Championship**
Opt. Sweep \$1.00.

HIGH GUN BADGE OVER THREE EVENTS.

President:
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Secretary:
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COFFS HARBOUR GUN CLUB

OPEN SHOOT 7th & 8th January, 1978

SATURDAY 7th JANUARY

9.00 a.m. start

Event 1 Nom. \$4.00

10 TGT DOUBLE BARREL
CD off HCP

Event 2 Nom. \$6.00

20 TGT BANANA COAST
DOUBLE BARREL
CHAMPIONSHIP 16m

Trophies Overall and A B C Grades.
Trophy: Frontmarker and Best Lady.
Opt. Sweep 50c ea 10 tgts \$1.00.

Event 3 Nom. \$10.00

20 TGT POINT SCORE
Trophy Event off Hcp

1st, 2nd & 3rd. Opt Sweeps 50c ea 10 tgts \$1.00.

Event 4 Nom. \$8.00

15 PR NORTHERN ZONE
DOUBLE RISE C'SHIP 16 m

Trophies A B C Grades.
Badge and Trophy Overall.
Opt Sweeps 50c ea 5 pair \$1.50.

COMPLIMENTARY SEAFOOD
BARBECUE TEA

SUNDAY 8th JANUARY

9.00 a.m. start

Event 5 Nom. \$4.00

10 TGT SINGLE BARREL
CD off 16 m

Event 6 Nom. \$6.00

20 TGT BANANA COAST
SINGLE BARREL C'SHIP 16 m

TROPHIES Overall and A B C Grades.
Trophy: Best Frontmarker and Best Lady. Opt Sweeps 50c
ea 10 tgts. \$1.00.

Event 7 Nom. \$10.00

Seniors & Ladies
Juniors under 18 Years
"THE ELEY WARATAH
STATE CLASSIC"

30 Targets off 16m

Trophies donated by Eley Ammunition

1st: Lugi Franchi Mod 500 Auto Shotgun Valued
\$402, 2nd J. G. Anschutz Mod. 1450 .22 Repeater
Valued \$120, 3rd 250 IMI Special Trap Cartridges
Valued \$68, Ladies 1st Engraved Trophy Valued
\$70, Juniors 1st Engraved Trophy Valued \$70.

TOTAL TROPHY VALUE \$730

The shooter with the highest break in N.S.W. and being a
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Shoots will receive a Return Air Ticket to the Nationals to
receive "The Eley Waratah State Champion" Trophy.

Event 8 Nom. \$15.00

30 TGT DOUBLE BARREL
CASH HANDICAP

HIGH GUN OVER WHOLE OF PROGRAM
Trophies Best 11-14m, 15-18m, 19-25m.
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The Club reserves the right to Alter the Program.

Eastern States Gum Tree Championship — 1977



Part of the crowd which attended the 11th Annual Gum-tree Championship — October 1st, 2nd and 3rd

Gunnedah and Boggabri Gun Clubs of N.S.W. combined to present this shoot on 1st and 2nd October, 1977. Attendance was 164 with the weather hot and perfect.

SATURDAY 1st ROUND

25 Targets Eye Opener.

11-12 m 1st F. Baker - equal 2nd S. Cossage, S. Tydd, R. Cross.
13-15 m 1st D. Cassin - equal 2nd W. Williamson, R. Lawman.
16-17 m 1st H. Snow - equal 2nd B. Murphy, G. Bayliss. 18-25 m 1st B. Walton & D. Colwell - equal 2nd G. Turner, M. Quirk, S. McMaster.

2nd ROUND

50 Targets Trophies & Sweeps Event.

Overall Winner - B. Walton - 2nd K. Cameron. 11-12 m S. Tydd. 13-15 m R. Lawman. 16-17 m R. Palmer. 18-25 m D. Osbourne.

SUNDAY 1st ROUND

25 Target Eye Opener Sweeps.

11-12 m R. Carr - 2nd A. Morean - equal 3rd C. Dorman, S. Tydd, R. Johnston. 13-15 m 1st C. Atkins - equal 2nd M. Wilson, D. Cassin. 16-17 m equal 1st J. Taylor, R. Thompson - 2nd L. Rose. 18-25 m 1st B. Walton - equal 2nd K. Cameron, J. Matt.

2nd ROUND

50 Target Eastern States Gum Tree C'ship.

1st K. Cameron - 2nd G. Carlyon. 11-12 m R. Carr. 13-15 m R. Lawman. 16-17 m J. Cassin. 18-25 m J. Cooks.

High Gun winners over the two days were:—

11-12 m S. Tydd. 13-15 m R. Lawman. 16-17 m R. Thompson. 18-25 m K. Cameron.

Overall High Gun went to B. Walton.

Ladies Section was:—

Cheryl McCarthy 1st - Mrs Milligan 2nd - Mrs Quirk 3rd.



Brian Walton receiving his High Gun trophy from Gunnedah President Stan McMaster. Vic Eather looks on.

Ted Patterson and his mates from Hawkesbury once again won the teams event and took home the Guns Gully Shield. Gulgong were well represented in this event and finished a close second.

Shooters travelled from as far south as Sutton Forest the A.C.T. and Narranderra, but our visitors from the north excelled themselves with shooters travelling from Rockhampton.

New young shooter from Gunnedah Garry Carlyon was the surprise over the weekend when he shot consistently to beat all but Keith Cameron in the Championship.

(Assistant Secretary and Publicity Officer, Kenneth Buckley).



Doug Colwell (Sec. Gunnedah Gun Club) about to shoot at the 'rabbit' station. Stan McMaster waits his turn while Stan's son Lee is in the background.

TRADE TOPICS

Boustead Pty Ltd, the Australian agents for Remington Arms and Ammunition have gone one better than the A.C.T.A. whereas the Association has applied no increase to 1977 "prices" for 1978, Boustead has actually REDUCED prices. From 1st November, prices on Remington firearms have been reduced by an average of 10% to 15% a very worthwhile saving. Perhaps it is possible that the move MAY trigger off a chain reaction!

Boustead has been under notice recently because of the extensive support given to both the Victorian and N.S.W. Skeet Carnivals. In both cases, a Remington shotgun was presented to the High Gun winner. This provided a large number of shooters with the opportunity to meet Terry Roberts who has recently joined the Boustead Victorian sales team. Terry is a very keen supporter of clay target shooting and will be seen around more Clubs in the future.

CTSN received sad news recently when it learned of the death of Laurie Stewart of Stewart and Allwood Pty. Ltd. of Sydney. Stewart and Allwood have been in the firearms importing business for what seems like a lifetime at one stage the Company was a distributor of Browning and currently advertises both Shadow and Mossberg shotguns in CTSN. Laurie Stewart was one of the "straightest" men in the firearms business and his death will be a severe loss to the industry. All connected with the Australian Clay Target Association express their sympathy to the family and colleagues of the late Laurie Stewart.

The Eley Ammunition restructuring is proceeding to plan and Marketing Manager Don Hobill has been very mobile in recent weeks he has visited every mainland State to make local management teams aware of the requirements of the "new look" executive team.

All marketing and distribution staff are now located at the manufacturing site at Deer Park, Victoria (note the postal address: P.O. Box 346, Sunshine, 3020).

However the Victorian Sales Office is still located at 148 Lonsdale St., Melbourne (Phone (03 6621600) and will remain there until March 1978.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE TAREE-WINGHAM GUN CLUB

will conduct a
3 Day Olympic Trench Program
during
AUSTRALIA DAY WEEKEND
January 28th, 29th & 30th, 1978

FULL DETAILS IN JANUARY ISSUE
OF C.T.S.N.



SOUTH AUSTRALIA

ALEXANDRA, 24-9-77 — Fine warm (53). IMI Aust Ltd PS C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA 1. Campbell 65-66, J. Hutchings 64-66; 'B' R. Hill 57-63, R. Smith 60-63; 'C' D. Stefanato 55-60, R. Mack 54-60. Birthday Skeet C'ship in conj. with Bill Quinn Shield: OA R. Kimber 49-49; 1st 0-1 D. Stefanato 48-49, 1st 2-4 R. Sanzogni 38-40, 1st 5-10 R. Smith 23-25. Shield won by Whyalla Gun Club 120-125 L. Moia, G. Bollen, G. Muscio, R. Sanzogni and Grant Bollen. Birthday DR C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA G. Bollen 19-20, R. Kimber 20-21; 'B' R. Wimbushurst 16-20, G. Hill 17-22; 'C' J. Fleetwood 16-20, R. Mack 14-20.

Guthrie Shield won by Alexandra S.A. Gun Club 95-100. Members of team B. Hender, I. Campbell, J. Hutchings, M. Clark, R. Hill; 'A' 1st J. Hutchings 29-29 OA, 2nd R. Mules 28-29; 'B' 1st R. Wimbushurst 20-20, L. Moia 23-24; 'C' R. Dwyer 19-20, M. Fletcher 18-20. High Gun of the day: J. Hutchings. IMI E/A: J. Kalnenieks.

ALEXANDRA, 25-9-77 — Fine warm. IMI Aust Ltd Hcp: J. Maywald 30-30, Grant Bollen 29-30, L. Pfeiler 43-44. Metre: 11-13 F. Gibson, 14-15 C. Verbis, 16-17 M. Fletcher, 18-19 C. Sparnon, 20-21 E. Evans, 22-23 J. Hutchings. Woodrow Shield: Shield won by International Gun Club S.A. 96-100. 1st J. Hutchings 55-55, 2nd C. Sparnon 54-55, 3rd P. Marconi 27-28. Birthday Hcp: B. Baker 36-36, R. Dwyer 35-36, R. Sanzogni, 11-13 T. Mathews, 14-15 D. Price, 16-17 S. Rossetti, 18-19 W. Moritz, 20-21 D. Brown, 22-23 J. Hutchings.

High Gun of the day: E. Evans. High Gun over the two days: J. Hutchings. Alexandra Gun Club wish to thank all shooters for making this weekend shoot such a great success. Congratulations to all clubs who went home with a shield and better luck next year to the losers. A big welcome to all visiting clubs and especially to Mr and Mrs Grice from Alexandra, Victoria.

BARMERA, 2-10-77 — Fine cool (25). 5t DB 5t SB EO 16m: 2 possibles. Club SB C'ship 20 16m: P. Aromataris 19-20, J. Morgan 26-28, H. Faux 25-28. Riverland Skeet C'ship: J. Pope 31-31, B. Spencer 30-31, P. Caddy 38-39. \$40 Cash DTL Hcp: R. McNamee and L. Pfeiler shared 20-20. Taipan High Gun: J. Pope 61-65.

Thanks to Jeff Pfitzner for his trophy in the Riverland Skeet Championship.

INTERNATIONAL, 8-10-77 — Fine hot (63). IMI Australia Ltd Graded Shoot: 'A' T. E. Evans 46-46, J. Long 45-46; 'B' W. Moritz 25-25, C. Vertis 30-31; 'C' A. Tosolini 24-25, F. Speechley 38-40.

INTERNATIONAL, 9-10-77 — Fine warm (84). Fisher Firearms Hcp: P. Jennings 20-20, R. Schleier 19-20, J. Sumner 18-19, FM R. Bertrand 15-15, State Trench C'ship 100t: 'A' & OA J. Finnis 111-125, 'B' R. Schleier 131-150, 'C' K. Dyson 78-100. Comm. PS C'ship: 'A' & OA P. Telford 137-147, J. Murphy 134-147; 'B' C. Verbis 109-123, B. Arnott 106-123; 'C' P. Aromataris 100-120, F. Speechley 93-120. Taipan High Gun: R. Schleier 59-67. High Gun over two days: J. Finnis 162-160.

INTERNATIONAL, 23-10-77 — Fine and warm (39). Trench Hcp: S. Churches 28-35, P. Jennings 33-44, D. Oliviero 39-44. Advanced Pool Construction Graded Shoot: 'A' D. Oliviero 39-39, D. Sparnon 38-39; 'B' A. Dalle-Molle 31-32, J. Turner 24-25; 'C' P. Jennings 25-25, A. Tosolini 23-25. Club Labour Day DB C'ship: 'A' & OA P. Caddy 28-28, D. Oliviero 34-35; 'B' P. Marconi 25-25, J. Turner 24-25; 'C' R. Mack 23-25, W. Zimmerman 27-30. High Gun: D. Oliviero 72-75.

LOXTON, 16-10-77 — Good (40). EO 1/2 Skeet: B. Spencer, C. Bradtke, P. Caddy, R. Whyllie 13-13. Dennis Vogt Skeet C'ship: P. Caddy 25-25, R. Maywald 23-25, I. Maywald 22-25, 20t DB DTL: R. Maywald, R. Spencer, C. Bradtke 20-20.

High Gun: P. Caddy 57-58.

MALLALA, 23-10-77 — Fine (28). 5t PS EO SS C.D.: B. Finch 15-15, P. Pearce, J. Boon, H. Osley, K. Morgan 14-15, 20t PS Club C'ship Winchester Trophy: OA & 'A' R. Franks 49-60, 'B' L. Shipp 46-60, 'C' T. Irish 46-60.

MT GAMBIER, 2-10-77 — Wet and windy (36). IMI Schoolboys C'ship: Leon Megaw 16-17, M. Zema 15-17, M. Carrison 14-16. Club Skeet C'ship: T. Reschke 25-25, W. Hetherington 28-29, R. Mack 27-29. D.T.L. 10t EO: W. Irvine, J. Clark, T. Megaw, N. McKinnon, C. Copping, L. Megaw, J. Humphris 10-10 divided. City Mt Gambier Cont. C'ship: 'A' & OA K. Dyson 30-30, M. Whitehead; 'B' K. Holmes 29-30, W. Irvine; 'C' D. Zema 29-30, L. Megaw. 5pr DR: D. Zema, L. Megaw 9-10 divided; M. Whitehead, G. Steele 8-10 divided. 10t Hcp PS: C. Copping 30-30, 2nd & 3rd L. Megaw, N. Copping divided 29-30.

PORT AUGUSTA, 25-9-77 — Skeet 55 20t DTL Hcp: 5 divided M. Handley 22-24, M. Hunt 21-24, K. Zanolit 24-27, 20pr DD CD: M. Handley, M. Hunt 18-20.

PORT AUGUSTA, 23-10-77 — 50t Skeet Hcp: Grant Bollen 50-50, Gary Bollen 52-54, R. Bisi 48-51, 30t DTL Hcp: Grant Bollen 27-30, R. Sanzogni 34-39, D. Mortimer 33-39.

PORT PIRIE, 1-10-77 — Rough, thunder storms, rain (32). Far Nthn Skeet C'ship: H. Baynes 24-25, L. Charles 29-33, S. Churches 28-33. President's Trophy Hcp DTL: B. Thomas 20-20, T. Bray 19-20, H. Baynes 18-20. Far Nthn DB C'ship: 'A' H. Baynes 17-20, 'B' R. Wimbushurst 19-21 OA, 'C' M. Roach 18-21. High Gun: M. Baynes 64-75.

Thanks to trophy donors, Winchester - Clarksons Ltd - R. C. & E. M. Smith - Pirie Beverage Store - High Gun by Taipan.

S.A.G.C., 21-9-77 — Fine night (24). 5t Mini Hcp: T. Mathews, J. Sumner, P. Jennings, G. Goldsmith shared \$16 4-5. 10pr DR: R. Mack 17-20, J. Sumner 16-20, R. Mules 15-20, 20t Medley: 'A' R. Mules 51-56, 'B' J. Sumner 28-40, 'C' M. Fletcher 37-40 and OA.

S.A.G.C., 29-9-77 — Fine night (25). 5t DB Hcp: J. Sumner, P. Jennings 4-5, 15t DB Hcp: L. Francis 20-22, R. Mack 19-22, M. Fletcher 18-21, 'A' R. Mules 14-15, 'B' R. V. Smith 13-15, 'C' L. Francis 14-15. OA R. Mules 22-23.

S.A.G.C., 2-10-77 — Fine windy (73). Spring Skeet C'ship: R. Kimber 43-43, R. Johncock 42-43, J. Sumner 33-34, 4-10 R. Dwyer 24-29, M. Roach 20-26, E. Churches 17-25. Kangaroo Island Return Trip Hcp: K. Sandercock 38-38, R. Cook 37-38, W. Zimmerman 36-37, FM D. Stefanato. Special Club Graded Shoot: 'A' B. Hill 42-42, D. Panazollo 41-42; 'B' R. Wimbushurst 20-20, J. Sumner 27-28; 'C' M. Roach 35-36, D. Stefanato 34-36. Taipan Agg. Trophy: P. Dunk 37-40. High Gun of the day: R. Kimber 63-65.

S.A.G.C., 5-10-77 — Cold (25). 15t DB Hcp: P. Dunk 15-15, B. Griggs 14-15, L. Francis 14-15, 10pr DD drawn: L. Francis, R. Mules 10-10; S. Drawing, R. Cook 9-10.

S.A.G.C., 12-10-77 — Hot and humid night shoot (27). 10t Hcp PS: R. Cook, M. Fletcher, B. Faux C/D 27-30, 15t Labour Day DB C'ship 16m: OA R. Mules 51-52, 'A' R. Mules 14-15, 'B' L. Martin 17-18, 'C' S. Drawing 14-15, 15t 16m C'ship PS: OA R. Cook 54-54, 'A' R. Mules 39-45, 'B' R. V. Smith 44-45, 'C' R. Cook 54-54.

S.A.G.C., 16-10-77 — Fine, breeze. Shoot sponsored by United Motors Ltd. All trophies to value of \$300 donated by United Motors Ltd (Holden Dealers). Virginia Dist Skeet C'ship: R. Kimber 33-33, R. C. Mules 32-33, J. Sumner 25-26; 4-10 R. Dwyer 21-25, T. Gurr 24-29, P. Aromataris 23-29. United Motors Hcp: D. Stefanato 34-34, F. Gibson (Miss) 33-34, S. Drawing 26-27, FM F. Agostino 24-26. State Mixed Tgts C'ship: OA G. Hill 24-25, 'A' B. Hill 22-25, P. Mules 29-35; 'B' G. Hill 24-25, D. Borman 21-25; 'C' R. Cook 26-35, L. Francis 25-35. Super Elliot High Gun: R. Kimber 62-70. Taipan 11-13 Agg Trophy DTL: S. Drawing 37-45.

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VENUE FOR NATIONALS '78 TWO DAY SHOOT SATURDAY, JANUARY 28th commencing 12.30 p.m.

Event 1

**ELEY - BLUE STAR
CARTRIDGE H'CAP**
20 TGT DOUBLE BARREL
1000 Cartridges; including metre divs.
11-13, 14-16, 17-19, 20-22, 23-25.

Event 2

**AUSTRALIA DAY
D.B. C'SHIP**
20 tgts, 16m. A B C Grades Plus OA.
Taipan 11 metre Aggregate Trophy.
Adelaide Shooting Supplies High Gun.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29th commencing 10 a.m.

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**AUSTRALIA DAY
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1st Trophy (Donated by N. & K. Flaherty)

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Nom. \$12.00
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In 3 Divs of 11-15, 16-20 & 21-25 m.
\$333 1/3 - each division.

Event 3

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S.A.G.C., 19-10-77 — Cold and windy (37). Adelaide Sports Depot Hcp: R. Cook 26-27, P. Enright 25-27, S. Drawing 22-24, Club Night Skeet C'ship: J. Sumner 31-35, J. Struik 29-33, R. Mules 31-34.

UNGARRA, 8-10-77 — Fine and windy (26). Skeet Hcp: M. Curtis, J. Baldissara, J. Schramm, P. Boundy, Jan Heard, Garry Bollen shot 25 with hcp. Skeet Hcp: M. Curtis, C. Woolford, J. Schramm, J. Smith, A. Parman shot 25 with hcp.

The Trevor and Jan Heard Trophy for the High Gun on the two rounds of Skeet Handicap was won by Jim Schramm from Max Curtis after a shoot-off. Undoubtedly the highlight of the day was Garry Bollen's possible 25-25 which was the first perfect score ever to be shot on the Ungarra Skeet layout which has been built for 23 months. For Garry's effort he won the Sarlina Murray Grey stud trophy presented to him by the donor Rodney Gregurke and a trophy from J. N. Taylor and IMI Aust.

UNGARRA, 9-10-77 — Fine (34). 5t EO 16m Pts: R. Bisi, J. Baldissara, J. Schramm, T. Heard, Garry Bollen all with 15 points. 20t E/P DB C'ship: R. Maywald 20-20, M. Hunt 37-38, S. Rossetti 36-38, 20t DB Hcp Schramm Mem. Trophy: M. Boundy 27-28, Grant Bollen 27-29, John Harrell 26-29; FM M. Handley, 30t DB Hcp IMI Trophy: T. Stratford 31-34, J. Colaruotolo 30-34, M. Hunt 27-31; FM C. Woolford.

A good attendance of 34 shooters from local, Whyalla, Far West, Pt Augusta, Pt Pirie and Barmera were present for the Annual Schramm Memorial Shoot. Young Barmera shooter Rob Maywald won the Eyre Peninsular DB Championship with the only possible posted, from Mike Hunt and Stan Rossitti. The main event of the day and possibly the year, the Schramm Memorial Trophy Shoot was won by Max Boundy from Grant Bollen and John Harrell after a lengthy shoot-off. The IMI Trophy Shoot was won by Trevor Stratford from Joe Colaruotolo and Mike Hunt after a brief shoot-off. The High Gun Trophy was won after a shoot-off by Rob Maywald from Grant Bollen Mike Hunt and Jim Schramm. Best local shooter was Jim Schramm and overall FM was Chris Woolford. At the presentation of trophies Life Membership was bestowed on Bill Stratford and Noel Angel for services rendered. The Ladies topped the day off with a fine luncheon and steak tea.

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SATURDAY, 7th JANUARY 12 noon start

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| Event 1 | 25 TGT SKEET S/S C/D | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 2 | S.A. SPORTS GOODS HANDICAP
20 Tgt D.T.L. Opt. Sweeps. | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 3 | 25 TGT ANNIVERSARY SKEET C'SHIP
Sash and 1st, 2nd and 3rd Trophies.
TAIPAN HIGH GUN
Afternoon and Barbecue Tea. | Nom. \$6.00 |

SUNDAY, 8th JANUARY at 9 a.m.

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| Event 4 | 50 TGT ANNIVERSARY SKEET H/C
\$400.00 Trophy Value. | Nom. \$15.00 |
| Event 5 | STATE DB MINI TARGET C'SHIP
Opt Sweeps. Graded A B C. Sash Overall Winner.
1st and 2nd Trophies each Grade. | Nom. \$8.00 |
| Event 6 | 30 TGT D.T.L. LOCAL PROD. H/C
Optional Sweep.
TAIPAN HIGH GUN
HIGH GUN SASH OVER TWO DAYS
Lunch and Afternoon and Barbecue Tea. | Nom. \$7.00 |

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VENUE FOR NATIONALS '78

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10th —
1 p.m.

STATE ISU SKEET TEAM ELIMINATION 50 TGTS

Practice available 10 a.m.
Team shoots Sunday 11th Dec., 10 a.m.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11th —
1 p.m.

CHRISTMAS HANDICAP SHOOT followed by

16 m GRADED HANDICAP
(Cash in 3 Divs.)
Taipan 11 metre D.T.L. Aggregate 8rophy.
PLUS
Adelaide Shooting Supplies High Gun Trophy.

JANUARY, 14th & 15th, 1978 —
ISU SKEET

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JIM FINNIS WINS STATE TRENCH TITLE — PETER TELFORD TAKES COM- MONWEALTH POINTS SCORE MATCH.



Winning team from Mildura Gun Club, they won both the Trench and Trap Team matches — Laurie Connors (they will have to operate to get the smile off his face), Deserie Wakefield, Gordon Wakefield, Larry Dimasi, Jim Finnis.

Fifty shooters fronted the trench at International Gun Club for the 100 Target State Trench Championship on Saturday 8th October.

Jim Finnis of Mildura Gun Club was the eventual winner after a tense shoot-off with Dino Oliviero the local champion. Both shot 87-100 in the actual event with Finnis managing 24-25 in the shoot-off to Oliviero's 23-25.

On Saturday 9th, Peter Telford of Mount Gambier Gun Club shot an excellent 110-120 points to take off the Commonwealth Points Score Championship.

Over the week-end an inaugural teams match at both Trench and Trap was shot between Mildura Gun Club and International Gun Club. Mildura won both matches by narrow margins.

(Story and photos by Pat Browne).



Vanquished International Trench Team — Pat Browne, Dino Oliviero, Paul Aromotaris, Barry Arnott, Pete Smith.



Peter Telford, winner of Commonwealth Points Score Championship receives his trophy from Metro Martini, president of International Gun Club.

MT GAMBIER GUN CLUB

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LONG WEEKEND MONSTER SHOOT

28th & 29th JANUARY, 1978

Value of Prizes and Trophies
in excess of \$3500

SATURDAY, 28th JANUARY

commencing 12 noon

Event 1 Nom. \$6.00

20 Tgt CITY OF MT GAMBIER DOUBLE BARREL C'SHIP

OA winner trophy and sash. Grade winners trophy and cloth badge; 2nd prizes each grade.

Event 2 Nom. \$20.00

MONSTER HANDICAP 30 TGT

1st prize \$600 Travel voucher through Dalgety Travel, to be used for trip of winners choice; seven division prizes of \$100 cash; 11-12, 13-14, 15-16, 17-18, 19-20, 21-22, 23-25. PORTER SHIELD to be run in CONJ. with this event.

Event 3 Nom. \$8.00

STATE SB C'SHIP 30 TGT

Graded 1st & 2nd each grade. Winner trophy & sash.

SUNDAY, 29th JANUARY

commencing 10.00 a.m.

Event 4 Nom. \$18.00

WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT 30 TGTS DB FROM 16 m

1st 1051 Winchester Super X 5 Shot automatic 30" full choke barrel plus spare 26" skeet barrel VALUE \$511. Sash & location winner badge 2nd Little Big Horn 44.40 Commemorative Rifle VALUE \$229. 3rd 140085 Model 1400 auto shotgun (vent rib Winchoke) VALUE \$269. 4th MEC 600 Jnr shotshell re-loader VALUE \$129. 5th No. 25 Trailblazer Gun Bag VALUE \$52. 6th-10th 1000 AA Wads & 1000 AA primers VALUE \$35.

Best 11-15 m shooter — MEC 600 Jnr. reloading press plus badge VALUE \$129. Best Lady Shooter — 14" silver salver suitably engraved plus badge VALUE \$63. Best junior shooter under age of 16yrs at date of location shoot, also receives 14" silver salver suitably engraved plus badge VALUE \$63.

Location winners eligible for grand final held at 1978 Nationals in Adelaide when overall high gun winner receives Winchester 10185 International pigeon grade O/U trap gun suitably engraved — perpetual cup to hold for one year — replica cup to hold — winners sash & badge.

*Lady & Junior shooter location winner eligible for grand final held in Adelaide when each respective grand final winner will receive a canteen of cutlery cased and suitably engraved VALUE \$180.

*Each shooter that enters Winchester Tournament will receive a complimentary Winchester Tournament Brassard.

Event 5 Nom. \$10.00

\$400 CASH HANDICAP 20 TGTS

Event 6 Nom. \$6.00

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HIGH GUN TROPHY OVER ENTIRE PROGRAM

Ground Location: Gladigau St., Back of Drive-In Theatre, off Wireless Rd. East (north side of city).

Luncheon available Sunday 29th.

A Farewell BBQ will be held following Event 6.

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QUEENSLAND

BALLANDEAN, 18-9-77 — Good (40). 5pts Hep EO: 8 possibles. 20t DB Hcp: P. Graham 40-40, M. Patti 39-40; best 11m B. Stranieri 18-20. 10pr DD: S. Puglisi & M. Patti, 2nd N. Gowland & M. Hass. 20t Mixed 1st S. J. Puglisi, 2nd R. Middleton; best 11-12m P. Graham.

The High Gun was won by Rod Middleton.

BALLANDEAN, 16-10-77 — Good (66). Granite Belt SB C'ship: Nev. Smith 21-21, D. Cox 20-21, E. Kath 36-37; best 13-14m P. Graham; best 11-12m M. Kent 19-24. Granite Belt DB C'ship: N. Gowland 46-46, L. Shanco 71-72, E. Kath 70-72; best 13-14m K. Mott 19-20; best 11-12m F. Stranieri. \$500 Hep 30t DB: S. Mihalka, J. Lynam, P. Graham, P. Nielson, S. Bartley, A. J. Smith, H. T. Thompson, K. Mott 30-30.

The High Gun was won by Scot Bartley and the 11-14m High Gun was won by David Cox.

BARCADDINE, 1-10-77 — Fine (14). 10t DB SS: G. M. Bourne, P. Collinson, R. J. Wright (Richmond), I. E. Brown 10-10. \$60 Hcp: J. A. Rodgers 28-30, P. Collinson & N. Wright (Richmond) 26-30. 20t SB SS off 10m: R. J. Wright (Richmond), A. J. W. Taylor, J. A. Rodgers 18-20.

BARCADDINE, 22-10-77 — Fine, slight wind (29). 20t DB SS: W. J. R. Chandler, E. O. Moyse, B. Doyle, N. J. Wright, R. J. Wright, M. J. Donald, A. Hardwick, I. E. Brown, A. J. Anderson 19-20. 20t DB Cont. SS: B. Doyle 19-20, M. J. Donald 18-20, P. Burrows, Mrs B. Lord, J. L. Dickson, A. J. W. Taylor, I. E. Brown 17-20. \$100 Hcp: I. E. Brown, P. Rudd 28-30, O. G. Hill, G. Rudd 27-30. Night 10t DB SS: A. Akkari, P. Burrows, R. Tibbits 10-10. Queensland Cont. DB Pts Night C'ship: OA B. Doyle, 'A' J. A. Rodgers 68-90, 'B' B. Doyle 77-90, 'C' P. Rudd 78-96.

During the afternoon His Excellency Sir James Ramsay, Governor of Queensland, visited the shoot with the Chairman of the Barcaldine Shire, Cr J. D. Bennett. President Bill Moyse introduced our distinguished guests to members and visiting shooters from Mt Isa, Richmond and Blackall before they tried their hand at our sport. A very pleasant "fork tea" was provided by wives of members, thank you ladies for the support you always give.

BRISBANE, 16-10-77 — Hot 29°C (41). Skeet 25t Graded Hcp SS: 0-2 M. Cristina, N. Wiles; 3-5 A. Page, F. Devlin, R. Matheson, Doc Middleton; 6-10 J. Coffey, K. Walker, C. Wheatley, S. Crisafulli, Mrs Chris Payne. 25t Hcp Trophy: K. Stevens (Ipswich), K. Walker (Brisbane), Ron Porter (Brisbane). Moreton Skeet C'ship: 0-2 P. Fredelegus (Ipswich) 29-29, 3-5 T. Pascoe (Brisbane) 25-25, 6-10 S. Crisafulli (Brisbane) 22-25. Novelty: K. Stevens (Ipswich), E. L. Bray (Brisbane), M. Cristina (Brisbane). High Gun: off-the-gun E. L. Bray. High Gun: handicap score K. Walker.

BUNDABERG, 9-10-77 — Fine and windy (30). 20t DB kills off Hcp: A. Aitchison, K. Green, I. Casperson. 30t DB Pts off 18m: B. Gordon, A. Bott, B. Theile. FM J. Waldock. 10pr DD: K. Green and J. Berry.

High Gun for the day went to B. Gordon. A front markers high gun trophy shot for over the last two shoots was won by K. Green in a shoot-off from G. Gaylard. Windy conditions affected the targets and scores were down as a result.

CENTRAL BURNETT, 15-10-77 — Fine and hot (39). 10t DB Sweeps Hcp: shared by M. Zopf and J. Trott 10-10; A. Williams, D. Fluerty, N. Wilson, K. Vicary, R. Fluerty, C. Harm, T. Kirk, K. Green and J. Berry 9-10. 20t Hcp Central Burnett C'ship off 16m: won by N. Goody in a shoot-off from A. Williams 20-20, R. Fluerty 19-20. 5t Kneel down and 5t sit down off 16m: shared by M. Zopf, R. Fluerty, N. Goody, C. Fluerty, J. Trott, R. Zopf. 15t DB Pts members trophy: won by C. Harm 44-45, N. Fluerty 40-45, K. Zopf 40-45; FM trophy J. Berry 31-45. 20t SB Central Burnett Night C'ship off 16m: won by K. Zopf 19-20, N. Goody 17-20, C. Harm 16-20.

Central Burnett Gun Club Afternoon and Night Shoot was well attended with 39 shooters in the afternoon and over 40 for the Night shoot. Conditions were perfect. Kevin Zopf again shot well to win the High Gun. It was pleasing to see so many visiting shooters from Gayndah, Monto and Bundaberg. The annual meeting will be held before the next shoot at the clubhouse. Congratulations to all winners.

DALBY, 24-9-77 — Fine, slight wind (58). Northern Dns DB C'ship: G. Newey, V. Tipman, S. Angel, G. Watson FM trophy. \$400 Medley: 22-25m G. Whitfield, W. Hughes, P. Ellem; 18-21m E. Ransome, G. Witt, M. Smith, G. Turner; 14-17m K. Miller, 2 & 3 Mrs S. May, R. Knapp; 11-13m G. Watson, C. Stewart, G. Barnes. OA shared by K. Miller, G. Whitfield, E. Ransome, P. Ellem, C. Witt, W. Hughes.

DALBY, 25-9-77 — (58). Qld State Mixed Tgts C'ship: 'A' G. Huff & OA, 'B' C. Witt, 'C' Paul Anderson. \$500 Medley: 1st 20t G. Watson, W. Kimber, C. Witt, R. Knapp, C. Stewart, D. Wells; 2nd 20t G. Watson, G. Bryant, D. Wells, C. Witt, J. Watson, R. Knapp. A. K. Thornton Mem. Hcp: G. Watson, R. Donovan, D. Robinson.

High Gun: 16-25m C. Witt. High Gun: 11-15m G. Watson. Fred Fiegler Memorial Shield: won by St. George. This shield was run in conj. with the \$500 Medley Event and was contested with 11 teams. We enjoyed a very successful shoot, with a very good attendance. The weather on Sunday was overcast and very windy but a good time was had by all.

DYSART, 25-9-77 — Fine and warm (37). 10t DB Pts Hcp: J. Walsh (Blackwater) 30-30, S. Robinson (Blackwater) 27-30, G. Wright (Dysart) 29-30. 20t DB Pts C'ship 16m: Broadsound & Dist C'ship 'A' K. Cross (B'water) 58-60 OA, 'B' G. Cross (B'water) 54-60, 'C' L. Robinson (B'water) 57-60 2nd OA, L. Powell (Dysart) 3rd OA. 10t SB Hcp SS: N. Quince (Dysart), J. Simpson (Dysart), G. Cross (B'water) 9-10. 20t Walk Up C'ship: Broadsound & Dist C'ship 'A' K. Cross (B'water) 11-20, 'B' G. Cross 2nd OA (B'water) 15-20, 'C' D. Casagrande (Dysart) 16-20 OA, S. Robinson (B'water) 3rd OA.

An ideal day and good roll up. Visitors made welcome from Blackwater, Eton-Mackay and Gladstone clubs. The good conditions prevailed throughout the day and made for some very keen shooting. Barbecue and refreshments enjoyed by all at close of day. FM and High Gun won by Laurie Powell.

DYSART, 22-10-77 — Two day shoot, fine and hot (66). 10t SB EO Hcp: 3 shooters shared the Sweepstakes on this event B. Nioa (Gladstone) 10-10, G. Dickey (Gladstone) 10-10, M. Pietzner (Eton-Mackay) 10-10. 20t SB C'ship 16m: 'A' B. Nasser (Clermont) 1 & OA, S. Robinson (B'water); 'B' R. James (R'hampton) 2 & OA, P. Camilleri (Eton-Mackay); 'C' S. Robinson (B'water) 3 & OA, G. Dickey (Gladstone). 20t DB Pts Hcp: J. Walsh (B'water) 59-60, R. James (R'hampton) 59-60, L. Busby (R'hampton) 57-60 after a shoot-off.

Fine and hot. First day of the two-day shoot, with members from Eton-Mackay, Burdekin, Rockhampton and Rockhampton Nine Mile, Gladstone, Blackwater, Mt Isa, Clermont Clubs in attendance. An enjoyable day's shooting was had by all, the day was rounded off by a barbecue tea and refreshments followed by the drawing and auction of the calcutta.

DYSART, 23-10-77 — Fine and hot (78). 10t DB EO Hcp: 13 shooters shared sweepstakes on this event. 20t DB C'ship 16m: 'A' B. Nasser 1 & OA, G. Cross (B'water); 'B' G. Cross 2 & OA, B. Nasser (Clermont); 'C' G. Wright 3 & OA, G. Wright (Dysart). 75 break badge G. Cross, 50 break badge G. Wright. Calcutta 15t DB Pts 15t DR Hcp: Outright winner J. Walsh (Blackwater) 60-60, 2nd D. Wyland (R'hampton) 59-60, equal 3rd B. Kelly (R'hampton) 57-60, P. Dallas (Dysart) 57-60.

SUNSHINE COAST GUN CLUB

TWO-DAY XMAS SHOOT

PIERCES AVE CALOUNDRA QLD.

Affiliated A.C.T.A.

SATURDAY, 17th DECEMBER

1 p.m.

G.F. \$1.00
Nom. \$6.00

Event 1

LADIES INVITATION SHOOT
(Open to all Shooters)

30 Target DB Pts Handicap

Trophies 1 2 3 Ladies only. \$25 Xmas Hamper 1 2 3 all shooters.
O/S 50c each 15.

Nom. \$6.00

Event 2

VICE PRESIDENTS TROPHY

30 Target DB Novelty : 5 tgts from each.

112m 14m 16m 18m 20m 25m. OA winner Vice Presidents Trophy;
10 novelty prizes for next 10 placegetters. O/S 50c each 15.

CHILDRENS XMAS TREE

with Santa and Mary Xmas giving out presents.

(Visiting shooters may include their children — bring present and place on tree).

BBQ followed by NIGHT SHOOT

Event 3

Nom. \$2.00

10 TARGET DB 16m C/D

Event 4

Nom. \$2.00

10 TARGET SB 16m

O/A winner trophy. Novelty prizes (11-14m) (15-18m) (19-21m)
(22-25m)

SUNDAY, 18th DECEMBER

9.00 a.m.

Event 5

Nom. \$6.00

20 TARGET DB PTS H'CAP

Club Jackpot C/D

O/S 50c each 10.

Event 6

Nom. \$8.00

S.C.G.C. CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS
SHOOT — 40 Targets Mixed Medley 16m

10 target DB, 10 tgt SB, 10 tgt DB pts, 5pr DR

Presidents Trophy OA winner (eligible shooters only).
C/D 1 2 3 open to all.

Event 7

Nom. \$17.00

30 TARGET DB CASH H'CAP

OA \$150 plus \$150 each 10.

Event 8

Nom. \$4.00

20 TARGET DB 18m

Trophies 1 2 3

HIGH GUN TROPHIES OVER FULL PROGRAM

HIGH GUN O/A — INTER HIGH GUN

LADIES HIGH GUN

3 Traps Operating

Cartridges, Refreshments, available at club.

The Club Management reserves the right to alter program if necessary.

The Committee and Members of Sunshine Coast Gun Club wish all shooters and their families A MERRY XMAS and a SUCCESSFUL NEW YEAR.

Accommodation available — book early.

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SELF-HELP PROGRAM

— another step towards
Queensland State Association

While waiting for the formation of the State Assn. to be formed here in Qld., Mr Doug Campbell President of Sunshine Coast Gun Club decided to approach clubs in our area with the idea of forming a district in which we could have inter-club championships.

As a result of a letter sent to these clubs, delegates from Murgon, Gympie and Sunshine Coast met at the Gympie Gold Rush Shoot and a district assn. was formed.

Various names were discussed and finally it was decided to call it the "NEAR NORTH COAST & DISTRICTS ASSN." The main purpose for this is to promote our sport to its fullest in our areas, and to try to standardize shooting at these individual clubs, also to foster goodwill and provide relaxation and entertainment for all shooters.

A district C'ship will be held at Gympie in January 1978 to start the first of quarterly C'ships. This will be followed by one at Murgon in April, and then Sunshine Coast in July. Then in October the Champion of Champions Shoot will be shot back at Gympie, so starting 1979 at Murgon in January, thus alternating so each club will conduct a Champion of Champions shoot. Mr George Biggs of Melbourne has donated a Perpetual Trophy for this C'ship, so Georges' recent visit to our area will be well remembered.

In conjunction with these quarterly shoots, a Clubs Teams event will be shot and at the October shoot the aggregate points of the teams will be added, with the winning team having a Perpetual Trophy to display at their club for the following year, plus individual trophies for each winning team member. The challenge team events are only open to set nominated teams of the member clubs of the districts.

We have sent invitations to Toogoolawah and Maryborough clubs to join us also thus incorporating five clubs in an area easily travelled. We are at present awaiting answers from these clubs, and if they join we will be conducting shoots two monthly instead of three.

We all agreed that when the State Assn. is formed and operable if we don't come under the same zone we will comply with what the State Assn. decides, meanwhile we are trying to help ourselves in the Sport we all enjoy.

(Bev Grice, Sunshine Coast G.C.)

Husbands are like peaches

The following extract was taken from the Centenary issue of the Shepparton "News" which is produced by the same Company which prints CTSN. It appears that some things have NOT changed in 100 years!

Husbands, like peaches, will not keep the year round unless they are well preserved.

First select him carefully. Be sure he is not too green, neither should he be over ripe.

He might be very tempting and mellow in the market but if he is too old he will not stand this preserving process, but will expose his hard stony heart.

Husbands grown in the tropics of pleasure look very fine but they are usually insipid. The home grown are the best.

Select your husband if possible from the family tree growing on the sunny side of a church. You will be sure then that he is sound at heart.

Unsound husbands, like unsound peaches often have to be sorrowfully cast away.

Having selected your husband, you should have a clear sturdy cheery fire of love.

Your preserving kettle must be neat and clean. Husbands, like peaches, look very black if this is untidy.

Give him plenty of sweetness. Much sugar is needed. Vinegar is never used in sweet preserves.

If you think he demands a little spice, use it with caution.

Do not keep stirring him up, neither should you keep poking him with sharp points to see if he is done. It will spoil his looks.

—"News" August 25, 1891.

1977 Queensland Skeet Team



BACK (left to right): K. Stevens, T. Halpin, A. Kenna, W. Stevens, L. James, M. Barton, M. Hass, T. Robinson.
FRONT (left to right): J. Porter, Ron Porter, Ray Porter, E. Bray, P. Freeleagus, D. Wells, R. Lowry. (Shot on 8th October, 1977).

BRISBANE GUN CLUB Inc.

(Affiliated with A.C.T.A.)

DECEMBER PROGRAM

December 11th, Sunday, Christmas Shoot
All Welcome

Sec: Mrs Chris Payne.

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OLYMPIC TRENCH

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STATE TEAMS MATCH

DECEMBER 30th & 31st

commencing at 9.00 a.m. each day.

Competitors will shoot at 50 targets after which the six highest scorers will make up the State Team.

The Team's Match is a further 50 targets.

For further information
contact Secretary, Neil Hardy,
12 Patrick Street,
Aitkenvale. 4814.
Phone: 790638.

An even larger turn out than previous day. The day saw some really competitive shooting. Five shooters were in the shoot-off for B and C grades in the Championship. G. Cross defeated A. Daly and R. James to win B grade. G. Wright defeated R. James to win C grade. B. Nasser won A grade outright. Trophies were presented by councillor W. Murphy. The day finished with a barbecue which was enjoyed by all.

GOLD COAST, 18-9-77 — Fine and sunny (32). 10t DB Hcp SS: A. Hicks, G. Burke, R. Blewden, D. McFarland, R. Turner all 10-10. 15t DB Pts Hcp SS: J. Ferret 44-45, C. Goldup and K. Bambrery equal 2nd 39-45. 20t DB Pts Hcp Trophies: R. Blewden 55-60, C. Wheatley 62-69, B. Burt 59-69, FM L. Pasquarelli 50-60. 15t Cont. VDB SS Hcp: C. Goldup 15-15, R. Walpole, H. Potts equal 2nd 14-15. 10pr Tgts DR SS: R. Blewden 17-20, C. Goldup, K. Hutchison, R. Weeden, B. Burt, J. Ferret, K. Bambrery all equal 2nd 16-20.

GOLD COAST, 16-10-77 — Fine (41). 10t DB SS Hcp: C. Gall, G. McClymont, R. Turner, J. Duyker, C. Goldup, P. McFarland, C. Witt all 10-10. C'wealth Veterans C'ship: G. Parker 37-40, K. Bambrery 33-40, J. Tyquin 33-43. 20t SB Cont. Hcp: J. Duyker 19-20, C. Witt 19-21, A. Hicks 18-21. FM C. Goldup 18-23. 20t DB Pts Hcp SS: R. Turner & J. Duyker equal 1st 57-60; J. Ferret and N. Pittaway equal 3rd 55-60. Gold Coast DR Trophy: J. Ferret 18-20, R. Weeden 20-24, C. Witt 19-24; FM B. Burt 12-20.

High Gun J. Duyker 100-110. FM High Gun C. Goldup 89-118. J. Duyker gained one metre. **IPSWICH, 2-10-77** — Fine, breezy (53). Colour City SB C'ship: OA P. Anderson 20-20, 'A' L. James 20-21, 'B' G. Burke 18-20, 'C' R. Matheson 19-20. \$500 DB Hcp: M. McDermott (Tmba) 15-15, G. McClymont (Bris); R. Mittelstaot (Sun. Coast), C. Ennis (Dysart); D. J. Campbell (Toogoolawah), G. Stevens (Ipswich); R. Knapp (Toogoolawah), R. Chapman (Ipswich); C. Kassulke (Toogoolawah), M. Cristina (Bris); L. James (Bris), A. McClymont (Bris); R. Weeden (Gold Coast), R. Matheson (Bris); P. Freeleagus (Ipswich); D. Bullimore (Bris). OA 30 t R. Matheson 29-30, C. Kassulke 28-30, M. McDermott, R. Chapman. West Moreton DB C'ship: OA G. Burke 30-30 (Gold Coast), 'A' N. Gowland 29-30 (Toowoomba), 'B' G. Stevens 27-28 (Ipswich), 'C' R. Matheson 22-23 (Brisbane). Extra event, 15pr DR SS 16m: P. Freeleagus 28-30, C. Ennis, G. Stevens 27-30. Open High Gun: R. Matheson 67-70, 11-16m High Gun R. Chapman 62-70.

Police Superintendent Bob Matheson of Brisbane Police Force thought our Annual Shoot was put on for his benefit. It certainly seemed so. He won the Winchester presented open High Gun, SB and DB 'C' grade championships as well as \$140 in the money event. Almost a re-run of last year. Congratulations to Roscoe Chapman for his wins. President Bill Stevens welcomed shooters from Lismore, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Toogoolawah, Toowoomba, Warwick, Dysart Gun Clubs as well as our faithful visitors from Brisbane Gun Club. Congratulations to all winners and thanks to those who visited.

MARYBOROUGH, 25-9-77 — Cloudy and windy (40). 5t SB off 16m: E. Kath 5-5. 15t DR C'ship off 16m: A. Bott 27-30, M. Taylor 22-30, G. Sartore 21-30. 11m T. Anderson 16-30. 15t DB: R. Berry 28-28, K. Marg 27-28, N. Fluerty 24-25. 5t DB Pts off 18m: 11-14m T. Anderson 5-5, 15-25m I. Casperson 5-5. High Gun: A. Bott 49-55.

MARYBOROUGH, 23-10-77 — Fine and sunny (37). 5t DB Pts EO Hcp: W. Horton 30-30. 20t DB Pts 18m: 11-14m R. Berry 53-60, 15-19m E. Kath 54-60, 20-25m G. Doblo 57-60. 15t DB off 18m: 11-14m W. Horton 15-15, 15-25m S. Smith 36-36. 5t Walk-Up: 11-14m N. Kruger 7-7, 15-25m H. Walker 5-5. High Gun: A. Bott 42-45.

MURGOON, 1-10-77 — Warm. 20t DB Hcp: J. Haynes 20-20, R. Duffin 27-25, B. Stolberg 26-25; best novice B. Frahm 20-20. 20t DB C'ship: 'A' S. Angle 19-20, 'B' & OA J. Hansen 22-22, 'C' R. Cosier 21-22; best novice N. Kapernick, K. Allen, S. Burrows. 20t DB Hcp: R. Cavanagh 27-28, B. Stolberg 26-28, G. Jesberg 25-25; best novice J. Frahm. 20t DB Night C'ship: 'A' & OAS. Angel 19-20, 'B' M. Tipman 17-21, 'C' R. Duffin 18-20.

High Gun Ray Cavanagh. R. Duffin (Maryborough) gained a metre in an attempt to stimulate the sport. Murgoon Gun Club invited Novices along to shoot and supplied clays, cartridges and trophies. This attracted 26 prospective shooters who after talks and demonstrations of gun safety and some coaching, fully enjoyed the shoot.

ROCKHAMPTON, 11-9-77 — Perfect (44). 20t DB kill off hcp: L. Talbot 20-20, L. Dalton, G. Dickey, J. Cush, D. Bowden 19-20. 10t SB off 16m: B. Waddell, K. Busted 10-10, R. James, G. Cahill, L. Powell, B. Busted, L. Talbot, J. Cush 9-10. 30t DB kill off hcp "Calcutta, Team Shoot and Nine Mile Perpetual Trophy (members only) were held on this event." Calcutta was won by R. James, G. Cahill 30-30. Team shoot, Gladstone No. 3 Team 134 Points first closely followed by Gladstone No. 2 with 133 Points. Nine Mile Trophy went to R. James 30-30. 25t DB kill off hcp: M. Bush 25-25, C. Jones, L. Powell, B. Busted, G. Dickey, D. Burns 24-25.

High Gun won by G. Dickey — trophy donated by Chippendale Motors. Inter High Gun won by D. Burns.

ROCKHAMPTON, 9-10-77 — Fine and windy (23). 15t DB Pts off 16m: W. Nioa (Gladstone) 44-45, J. Fittler and L. R. Murphy 42-45. 20t DB kill hcp: W. Nioa 20-20 (Gladstone), L. L. Murphy, B. Waddell, Ray James and Charlie James 19-20. 15t SB: L. L. Murphy & A. Mikkelsen 15-15, J. Lacey and W. McKeough 14-15 (Gladstone). 10pr DB Rise: M. Bush 16-20, A. Mikkelsen 15-20, W. McKeough 14-20 (Gladstone). Ladies Event drew five shooters and was won by D. Murphy 9-10.

The High Gun was donated by Kasso and won by Laurie Murphy with an overall score of 60-70. It was pleasing to see Laurie back in form. Nine Mile Gun Club would like to thank the support of Gladstone and would like to see them again on 13-11-77. On our September shoot 50 Break Badges were won by Ralph James (Nine Mile) and Graham Dickey (Gladstone).

ROCKHAMPTON, 20t DB (kills): 11-14m D. Carter, N. Bartlem, R. James, A. Powell 20-20; 15-18m G. Talbot, M. Bush 20-20; 19-25m G. Whitfield, G. Cross, J. Watson, A. Mikkelsen, K. Cross, A. Sartor. 20t Medley: G. Cross, N. Bartlem, M. Bush 19-20. 20t SB Dist C'ship: 'A' A. Mikkelsen 18-20 & OA, 'B' J. Watson 17-20, 'C' L. Dalton 16-20. 20t DB (Pts): A. Powell 58-60, R. Atkinson 58-60, L. Unwin 55-60. 30t DB Dist C'ship: 'A' D. Goltz 29-30 & OA, 'B' J. Watson, 'C' D. Carter both 29-30. 40t DB Cash Hcp: OA C. Jones, B. Kelly 40-40; 11-16m B. Nioa, N. Bartlem, W. Warner, D. Burns 39-40; 17-25m A. Mikkelsen 38-40, D. Goltz, G. Talbot 37-40.

High Gun won by A. Mikkelsen 140-150. Congratulations to D. Goltz and A. Mikkelsen who won the Capricorn District Championships. The club wishes to thank visitors and members for making it a successful two days.

ROMA, 15-10-77 — Perfect (21). 10t SB T/O: V. Tipman, E. Denton. 15t DB 16m: B. Harris, R. A. Dean. 15t DB Pts Hcp: K. Mount 44-45. 5pr DR: R. Dean (G. Bryant).

A most popular win when Keith Mount won his first trophy.

SOUTH BURNETT, 2-10-77 — Fine and hot (24). 20t DB C'ship Trophy & Badge: M. Champney 20-20 winner; shoot-off 19-20 2nd E. Anderson, 3rd S. Horn. W. Priddey missed out. 15t DB Pts: E. Anderson 1st 42, L. Ivins 2nd 41, W. Priddey and D. Schultz shared 3rd 40. 15t SB SS: P. McDonald, W. Priddey shared 1st and 2nd 14-15; D. Andersson, E. Andersson, L. Ivins shared 3rd 13-15. 15t Teams Match: won in fine style by K. Andersson, W. Priddey, D. Schultz, E. Andersson, G. Jones. High Gun: W. Priddey 47-50.

Attendance down in numbers, but a good day for shooting. A popular win for Bill Priddey who "copped" a \$10 speeding fine for being in a hurry to make it on time. The second round in the points score for patron George Lewis' trophy with two more rounds to go and competition very keen. The secretary gets a rap over the knuckles from several members who read the "Shooting News" for advertising the Remington \$40,000. My apologies to Winchester, sorry about that, it will still be on in Kingaroy in February 1978.

SUNSHINE COAST, 16-10-77 — Sunny (37). 20t DB Hcp Club Jackpot: G. Barker (SCGC), F. Hall (SCGC), D. Campbell (SCGC), J. Easton (Kallangur), Bev Grice (SCGC), K. Howard (SCGC) all got 20-20. 20t DB Pts 16m SCGC C'ship: S. Jackson (SCGC) 60-20, C.

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(formerly Dawson Valley Gun Club)

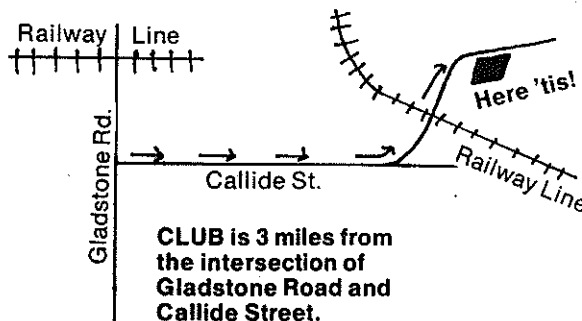
OPENING and CHRISTMAS SHOOT

SUNDAY, 11th DECEMBER, 1977
commencing at 9.30 a.m.

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| Event 1 | 20 TGT DB SWEEPSTAKES | Nom. \$2.00 |
| Event 2 | 20 TGT DB POINT SCORE
(President's Trophy) | Nom. \$8.00 |
| Event 3 | 15 TGT SB TROPHY | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 4 | 10 PR DOUBLE RISE | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 5 | 10 PR DEAUVILLE DBLES. | Nom. \$5.00 |

The Committee reserves the right
to alter the program.

CLUB LOCATION directions:



President:
R. Woodward
Ph 26138.

Secretary:
Mrs Desley Ryan
Ph 26194
(after 6 p.m.)

Camileri (Bris.) 59-20, Bill Stolberg (Gympie) 57-20, 20t SB Hcp: OA winner T. Alford (Gympie) 18-20, 11-15m Barry Stolberg (Gympie) 18-20, 16-20 Mrs S. May (SCGC) 18-20, 21-25m S. Jackson (SCGC). 20t DB 18m: OA winner Mrs S. May (SCGC) 20-20, 'A' C. Kassulke (Tooboolawah) 20-20, 'B' Bill Stolberg 19-20, 'C' G. Woodbine (Kallangur) 20-20.

High Gun OA Mrs Sandra May (Fuzz) 75-80. Inter High Gun Frank Hall 71-80, both shooters from Sunshine Coast Club. Congratulations to T. Alford (Gympie) who gained another metre. Also to Sandy May who lost a metre. (Good shooting Fuzz).

TOOBOOLAWAH, 22-10-77 — Good, fine (17). 20t DB 16m: 'A' D. Campbell 26-26, 'B' L. Verrall 18-20, 'C' G. Woodbine 21-22 trophies. 30t DB Hcp: G. Woodbine, L. Harden, D. Campbell 29-30 SS. 20t DB 16m: G. Woodbine, C. Kassulke 18-20; L. Harden 17-20 SS. 20t SB 16m Bris Valley Night C'ship: N. Bullimore 18-20, D. Bullimore 17-21, R. Knapp 16-21 trophies.

This was the first of our now regular monthly shoots -- attendance down to what was expected -- conditions very good.

TOOWOOMBA, 8-10-77 — Fine and sunny (38). Skeet 1 round graded SS: 0-2 shared by J. Porter, P. Freeleagus, T. Bray, M. Barton; 3-5 shared by C. Kassulke, B. Mundt, S. McComiskey; 6-10 D. Shoesmith. 50t Qld Skeet Team Elim.: 15 team members W. Stevens, K. Stevens, R. Lowry, M. Barton, Ray Porter, E. Bray, D. Wells, J. Porter, M. Hass, P. Freeleagus, T. Halpin, A. Kenna, Ron Porter, T. Robinson, L. James. Sweepstakes on team match shared by W. Stevens, K. Stevens, R. Lowry, M. Barton.

Only an average attendance but excellent scores shot in all events. Weather conditions and trap problems proved concentration necessary for good skeet breaks. Brisbane, Ipswich, Townsville, Toowoomba, represented in state team. High Gun on state team score P. Freeleagus 80-80. 25 Break to D. Wells, M. Hass; 75 Break to J. Porter; 100 Break to T. Bray and P. Freeleagus 125 Break to K. Stevens.

TOOWOOMBA, 9-10-77 — Fine and windy (43). Toowoomba DB Cont C'ship: from 4 possibilities, OA & 'A' A. Stewart 28-28, 'B' D. Bartley 18-20, 'C' K. Mott 19-23. 30t Cash Hcp: shared by R. Knapp 30-30, B. Bryant 29-30 with 29-30 R. Donovan, F. Anderson, D. Wells, K. Mott, A. Acheson, A. Stewart, A. Finlayson, S. Mihalka. Toowoomba DB Pts Cont. C'ship: J. Ryan 59-60, M. Hass 65-72, K. Mott. Extra SS event: shared by N. Gowland 30-30, R. Wells, M. Hall 29-30.

Attendance below average, allowed for early completion of program, first time this year. Allan Stewart added another badge to his collection by winning the Cont. DB C'ship in a short shoot-off. John Ryan recorded unbeatable total in Cont. Pts C'ship. K. Mott in excellent form to record placings in all three events. Kevin also won best 11-15 metre shooter with 63-70. Trap High Gun for the program was our own BM, but still on top, Noel Gowland 77-82.

TOWNSVILLE, October — Fine and windy (78). 25t Skeet SS: There were 15 possibilities on hcp. Patron's Trophy of 25 tgts skeet: 'A' A. LeBlowitz (Burdekin) 1st, D. Evans 2nd after shoot-off, both shot 25-25; 'B' Len Carty 25-25, Ian Carty 24-25; 'C' T. Wellington, P. Bell after shoot-off with three other shooters who all shot 23-25. 10t DB: successful here were N. Hardy, K. James, G. Bell, E. Sinclair, T. Schultz, G. Kimber, G. Skinner, J. Milani, J. Considine, B. Risdale and B. Fairbrother. Event 4: Only one competitor Frank Leeds shot the 10t SB. Event 5. 10t Pts Scoring, only two shooters hereshot the possible 30 pts S. Schonberg and Noel Benson. 5pr DR: no possible Merv Pearson was first with 9 points and 8 people shot 8 points. 10t Cont, winners were A. Kenna, T. Wellington, M. Bell, R. Escrivá, G. Reeves. The Ladies Trophy event was won by Peggy Evans. First 25 skeet break for Len Carty.



NORTHERN TERRITORY

DARWIN, 6-10-77 — Hot & windy. Allied Builders Trophy 20t SR: M. Mengel 20-20 T.V. \$43, G. Voukolos 32-33 T.V. \$31, D. Millen 31-33 T.V. \$24.

The results of this shoot must be gratifying to those involved and to the club. Maurice Mengel has been "down" for some time and it's good to see this shooter coming back again. A similar comment in relevant to both George Voukolos and Don Millen. Both these popular fellows have been "knocking on the door" and it's good to see them amongst the prizewinners. It's good for the club because we have so many good shooters which makes domination by a few very difficult.

DARWIN, 9-10-77 — Hot. Davies Sports Store Trophy 30t DB Hcp: L. Young 39-39 T.V. \$50, G. Quirue 38-39 T.V. \$33, P. Bowring 36-37 T.V. \$21, FM D. Grace 27-30 T.V. \$5. 20t DB PS 16m Cash Sweep: B. Munt, B. Speck divide \$15; J. Needham \$3.

DARWIN, 20-10-77 — Fine & warm, still (26). Club Cont. Night 20t DB 16m: K. Bowring 26-27 Trophy Value \$50, D. Chan 25-27 \$30, B. Speck 22-24 \$18.

On a fine night this was an exciting and closely contested shoot with the "club pro" Kev Bowring taking out the honours just ahead of the improving Doug Chan. Specky must be getting used to his new hcp mark as he has improved "out-of-sight" since gaining it. Well done chaps.

DARWIN, 23-10-77 — Hot & windy (30). Rigoni-Celenza Trophy 20pr DR 16m: K. Bowring 36-40, E. Smith 33-40, D. Chan 30-40.

KATHERINE, 9-10-77 — Fine and hot (18). 25t DB 18m "Blue" Richardson Trophy: A. Clausen, G. Collins, I. Winstanley. 15t DB Pts Hcp: R. Clausen, I. Winstanley. 10t SB 16m Cake Shoot: I. Winstanley.

KATHERINE, 23-10-77 — Hot and windy (15). 20t Tower: D. Fracaro, B. Hartley, G. McDonald. 20t DB Hcp Perp Trophy: J. Pfitzner. 5t W-U "Cake Shoot": J. Pfitzner.

John Pfitzner won third leg of Perpetual Trophy and took the \$238 jackpot home with him. Congratulations John.

SOME BASICS OF SHOTGUN SHOOTING —

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3. SPOT SHOOTING

In this method the shooter estimating the forward allowance required, shoots in front of the target with a still gun (no muzzle movement). This type of shooting requires very high efficiency in estimating speed and angle of target, and is only recommended for experts and it's only application is in field shooting.

A good shot can use all three methods as the occasion demands but the first one shown (Swing Through) lends itself to more consistent results.

Part Two will appear in January issue and will discuss: — EYESIGHT - Monocular and Binocular; Stocks and Combs; General Hints and Sayings.

GOLD COAST GUN CLUB

JANUARY CARNIVAL

**SATURDAY 21st
& SUNDAY 22nd, 1978**

SATURDAY —
commencing 10.00 a.m.

Event 1 Nom. \$6.00

J. M. Bauman Perpt. Gold Cup
PACIFIC COAST DB
C'SHIP 20 T DB 16m

1st J. M. BAUMAN CUP. To be held by winner for one year.
Badge and Trophy 1st - Trophy 2nd, 3rd and Front Marker.
Event 2 Nom. \$12.00

30 T DB CASH HCP C.D.

50% of Noms. divided 60%, 30%, 10%.

Event 3 Nom. \$8.00

20 T GOLD COAST PTS
CONT. C'SHIP 16 m

Badge Overall winner. Trophies 1st, 2nd, 3rd.

SUNDAY —
commencing 9.00 a.m.

Event 4 Nom. \$10.00

PATRON'S TROPHY
30 T SB HANDICAP

Event 5 Nom. \$12.00

\$360 GOLD COAST MEDLEY

Comprising 15 t SB 15t DB

CONTINENTAL

Divided 11-14, 15-18, 19-21, 22-25, C.D.

Event 6 Nom. \$10.00

HANDICAP. TROPHY EVENT
20 T DB

Trophies 1st; Trophy 2nd, 3rd & FM Trophies.

EXTRA EVENTS TIME PERMITTING

HIGH GUN over program donated by WINCHESTER

BBQ at Clubhouse Saturday Night.
Ammunition, Luncheon avail. on grounds.

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TO ALTER PROGRAM



TASMANIA

BURNIE, 2-10-77 — Very heavy rain, cold and windy conditions (28). Skeet 25t: I. Rist 24-25, A. Bowering 23-25, W. Abblitt 22-25. I.S.U. 25t: 'A' I. Buchanan 22-25, 'B' R. Ward 16-25, 'C' R. Gardam 19-25. FM: P. Cains 8-25. DB Novice 15t: 11m A. Berne 12-15, 12m K. White 6-15. SR 15t: T. Buckby 10-17, M. Pearn 9-17, I. Elliott 8-16. DB 20t Pts towards C. W. Stratton Trophy: T. Buckby 50, R. Gardam 64, R. Mason 61.

Winner of monthly raffle - side of beef: M. Elliott, Dr P. Cains wall clock, George Draper two chickens.

BOTHWELL, 8-10-77 — Fine and warm (20). 10t DB C'ship SS: E. Nelson, H. Heazlewood, L. Gray, D. Gray, T. McLaughlin, D. F. Taylor 10-10 divided. 20t DB C'ship: 'A' L. Gray 20-20, 'B' T. McLaughlin 23-24, 'C' M. B. Sinclair 20-20. FM: S. M. Johnson 14-20. 20t Hcp: L. Sweeney 25-25, M. Jones 24-25, K. Pulford 20-21. 10pr DD: A. Kenny, H. Jones 10-10, M. Jones, A. Chivers 18-19. 20t DB C'ship SS: 'A' L. Gray, D. F. Taylor 20-20, 'B' A. Kenny 19-20, 'C' M. B. Sinclair 18-20.

Leon Gray brilliantly won the high gun trophy over events 1 & 2 & 3 with the score of 49-50 from Don Gray and T. McLaughlin 48-50. Our Christmas Shoot will be conducted on the 17th December.

CRESSY, 1-10-77 — Excellent, Night (45). FM C'ship: D. Jurgens 14-14, D. O'Brien 13-14, S. Jetson 12-13. 5 possibles. 15t Trophy 18m: 'A' I. Buchanan 30-30, 'B' J. Murphy 23-23, 'C'

L. Ellis 15-15, 7 possibles. Tas. Pts C'ship: 'A' L. Viney 89-90, 'B' R. Ward 86-90, 'C' R. Tattersall 84-90. \$150 Hcp: D. O'Brien 33-33, I. Buchanan 32-33, A. Styles 30-31. High Gun: L. Viney 120-125.

EAST COAST, 24-9-77 — Fine (17). 6pr DD: D. Wilson-T. Johnson 6-6, T. Burns-A. Jaffray, G. Richardson-A. Henderson, S. Finearty-P. Francis, C. Price-G. Price all 5-6. 20pr Club DD C'ship: D. F. Taylor-T. Richardson 19-20, T. Smith-J. Cashion 18-20. 15t Hcp SS: G. Price 15-15, P. Francis, T. Smith 14-15. 10t C'ship SS: G. Richardson 10-10, P. Francis, T. Smith 9-10. 10t Hcp SS: G. Price, Miss C. Price, A. Jaffray, T. Smith 9-10.

Our thanks to all those shooters who attended and boosted our attendance figures. It appears that Saturday shooting may be the answer after all, and we look forward to seeing many more shooters on the fourth Saturday of the month.

EAST COAST, 22-10-77 — Fine, very windy (16). 8t Mixed Meterage: L. Gray, T. Johnson, A. Chivers, A. Kean 8-8. 20t Mixed Meterage Trophy Graded: 'A' L. Gray 22-24, 'B' T. Johnson 19-20, 'C' & High Gun A. Kean 20-21. 15t Hcp SS: A. Brett, A. Kean, A. Chivers 15-15. 20t C'ship Trophy: A. Chivers 22-22, W. Geale 21-22, G. Price 20-21. 15t Hcp SS: T. Johnson, W. Geale 15-15.

It was pleasing to see Alan Kean, a front marker, come up and take the high gun badge on the main event. Thanks to those shooters and their families who attended and made the day so enjoyable, despite the wind.

HOBART, 25-9-77 — Fine (51). State I.S.U. Olympic Trench C'ship Graded: 'A' S. Marshall 88-100 and High Gun, 'B' H. Mansfield 81-100, 'C' I. Buchanan 84-100, 'D' A. Chivers 83-100. Tasmanian Section Interstate I.S.U. Olympic Trench Teams Match: Team members as follows - S. Marshall, D. R. Taylor, I. Buchanan, I. Rist, A. Chivers, G. Crosswell. 20t Novelty Trophy Event Graded: 'A' D. F. Taylor 20-20, 'B' C. Calvert 28-28, 'C'

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1977-78

GRAND WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT

PROGRAM for SATURDAY, 3rd DECEMBER, 1977

commencing 10 a.m.

Event 1 —

20 TGTS D.B.
POINTS DECISION
from 16 m. Graded A B C & Front Marker
Trophy each Grade.

Event 2 —

GRAND WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT

30 Tgts. Double Barrel from 16 m.

Event 3 —

25 TGTS
SKEET HANDICAP
Time Permitting

PROGRAM for SUNDAY, 4th DECEMBER, 1977

commencing 10 a.m.

Event 1 —

CHARLES DAVIS 20 TGTS
DB GRADED TROPHY SHOOT
A B C & Front Marker

Event 2 —

SKB GRAND PRIX

30 Tgts Double Barrel Handicap
TROPHIES VALUED IN EXCESS OF \$2,000

Event 3 —

GRADED TROPHY SHOOT

20 Tgts from 16 m
Graded A B & C 1st & 2nd Prizes ea Grade
Front Marker Prize
TROPHY VALUE APPROX. \$400.

NOTE VENUE — HOBART GUN CLUB'S GROUNDS.

President:
Mr F. O'Brien.

Secretary:
Mr C. Conlan.

B. Anderson 28-28. 10pr DD Trophy Event: S. Marshall & S. Johnson 10-10, 2nd pair L. Gray & B. Anderson 11-12.

Congratulations to Sperry for his very fine win in the State Championship, and special congratulations to those who made the team. We hope to have coloured targets for our next trench event, so the ones we did not see this time "look out".

MERSEY, 15-10-77 — Fine and very windy (65). 20t DB Graded 18m: 'A' S. Marshall 20-20, 'B' K. Woods 19-20, 'C' Miss N. Abblitt 17-20. Best FM: A. Berne 11-21. State Points C'ship 30t 18m Graded: 'A' I. Rist 89-99, 'B' K. Woods 83-93, 'C' R. Meikle 74-90. Best FM: A. Berne 39-90. High Gun: I. Rist. 20t DB SS 16m: D. Perry 20-20, 2nd divided G. Richardson, L. Viney, K. Campbell, I. Rist, R. Garwood, S. Marshall, W. Pilkington, R. Ward 19-20. Inter State Team Trap Match - S. Munday, I. Rist, G. Richardson, A. Bowering, K. Woods, D. Whiteley, G. Elphinstone, R. Ward, R. Elmer, K. Campbell, S. Marshall, A. Styles, D. Taylor, G. Appleby, A. Abblitt.

NORTH EASTERN, 25-9-77 — Cloudy, fine, warm (28). 10t FM SB: 11m E. Towns 8-11, 12m K. Woodberry 8-10, 13m B. Bennett 8-12. 5t EO CD: D. Jurgens, D. Nicholls, R. Walters, L. Viney, K. Campbell. 20t DB C'ship: 'A' L. Viney 27-28, 'B' H. Kerrison 20-20, 'C' M. Cleland 23-26, 'D' M. Symons 20-24. 15t Hcp SS: equal 1st P. Laugher & G. Woodberry 15-15, equal 3rd H. Kerrison & R. Walters 14-15. Novelty Event: H. Kerrison 12-12, J. Jetson 11-12. High Gun winner over events 3 and 4: H. Kerrison 34-35.

NORTH EASTERN, 23-10-77 — Windy but fine (32). 10t FM PD: 11m C. Breadmore 24-30, 12m M. Symons 27-30, 13m T. Symons 23-30. 5t DB EO SS: T. Symons, J. Jetson, T. Burns, D. Krushka, A. Styles 5-5. 20t DB C'ship: 'A' A. Styles 19-20, 'B' H. Kerrison 24-26, 'C' J. Boer 19-22, 'D' M. Symons 17-20. 15t Hcp: M. Coker 24-24, T. Symons 23-24, E. Towns 19-20. 10pr DD Doubles drawn partners: K. Styles-L. Ellis 12-12, G. Woodberry-T. Symons 11-12. 10pr DR SS: 'A' A. Styles, 'B' J. Murphy, 'C' T. Symons, 'D' K. Woodberry. 10t Cont. SS: A. Styles 10-10.

Some good shooting by many in the windy conditions.

ROSEBURY, 23-10-77 — Overcast and showers (38). 5t Cont. Trap EO: D. McDermott, R. Argent, J. Woods, J. Hutcheson 5-5. 20t DB Cont. Trap C'ship: 11-12m M. Glover 13-20, 13-15m R. Dawkins 19-20, 16-25m I. Rist 19-20. 20t FM C'ship: S. Hughes 15-20, T. L. Nightingale 16-20, D. Hay 20-21. 15t SB Hcp: I. Buchanan 16-17, R. Dawkins 18-21, E. Chambers 17-21.

ST. HELENS, 16-10-77 — Beautiful sunny day (29). 15t DB Hcp SS: shared by P. Lohrey, A. Allen, B. Bailey, T. Singline, P. Thomas, K. Woodbury, W. Kerrison 14-15. 5pr DD EO SS: A. Allen & G. Coates, B. Bailey & T. Pulford 5-5, G. Woodbury & K. Campbell, T. Singline & W. Kerrison. 5t DB Learners: A. Barber 4-5 under 16. 20t DB Club C'ship Graded A B C & best novice: 'A' B. Bailey 20-20, 'B' T. Singline 22-22, 'C' W. Kerrison 20-20. Best Novice M. Thomas 18-20. 10t DB Cont.: B. Bailey 13-13, T. Pulford 12-13. High Gun over 135 6: B. Bailey 59-60.

SANDFORD, 16-10-77 — Poor, overcast and very bad light (29). 10t DB CD Hcp: S. Bagdonas only possible, L. Williams, K. Schott, A. Kenny, F. Shaw divided 2nd and 3rd. 0t DB Hcp Trophy: A. Kenny, L. Williams, C. Price. Best FM: S. Peacock. 15t DB Hcp CD: L. Williams, G. Price, A. Kenny, L. Gray 15-15 divided.

A Kenny shot well all day under very poor conditions. Bad light and very nasty sidewind. Very pleasing to see L. Williams a FM shoot so well. He was in everything on the day and it looks like we are about to see a lot more of this fellow. Also Stan Bagdonas to make a comeback after a long run of the outs and must not forget our little lady shooter Cheryl Price who shot very well to take out third in the Trophy Shoot. So keep up the good work shooters... your turn next time.

TASMANIAN, 14-8-77 — Fine and clear (76). 15t DB FM: 11m L. Bassatt 14-15, 12-13m D. Fazlickey 22-22. Graded Skeet: 0-1 N. Curbisley 33-33, 2-3 J. Dixon 27-30, 4-6 M. Oliver 25-30, 7-4 M. Porte 23-25. N. Dist. DB C'ship: 'A' D. Perry 40-40, 'B' E. Jordan 45-45, 'C' M. Porte 29-29, 'D' Johnson 23-23. High Gun: E. Jordan 45-45. Cash Hcp: 'A' Holmes 50-29, D. Lees 30-28, E. Jordan 30-27. 15t DB ISU: 'A' P. Thurley 15-15, 'B' R. Margison 16-17, 'C' G. Sturzaker 17-18. High Gun over 2345: P. Thurley 75-80.

Highlights of the day were M. Porte's success in the Northern Districts C'ship 'C' grade and also won his first attempt at skeet shooting. E. Jordan in winning 'B' grade of the Northern Districts C'ship shooting 45-45, nine being placed third in the Cash Hcp. Congratulations to the fine shooting of P. Thurley in taking out the High Gun over events 234 & 5 with a score of 75-80.

TASMANIAN, 8-10-77 — Fine & sunny (94). 15t SB FM C'ship: 11m G. Nisbett 9-15, 12-13m J. Symons 14-15. City of L'ion Skeet C'ship: 'A' G. Otley 79-79, 'B' A. Bowering 36-37, 'C' H. Kerrison 24-25, 'D' D. Krushka 21-25. 20t DB Hcp: I. Buchanan 23-23, J. Jetson 22-23, J. Sturzaker 31-32. City of L'ion DB C'ship: 'A' D. Taylor 59-59, 'B' J. Murphy 20-21, 'C' N. Curbisley 19-20, 'D' 11-12m M. Symons 18-20.

Two successful days of shooting. A very good attendance by shooters from all parts of the state. A pleasant club dinner was enjoyed on the Saturday night. The Shell Shield again proved very popular with "seven" Clubs represented. Hobart Club finally won with keen competition from the other clubs. Congratulations to I. Buchanan on his victory in the 20t tgt Double Barrel Handicap winning a S.K.B. Trap Gun. Ian Rist of Burnie proved Top Gun over the two days by taking out the High Gun 189-198.

TASMANIAN, 9-10-77 — Fine with gusty winds (95). 15t Pts DB FM C'ship: 11m W. Etchell 36-45, 12-13m T. Smyth 40-45. Tasmanian State Skeet C'ship: 'A' G. Otley 50-50, 'B' P. McKean 48-50, 'C' K. Copleman 46-50, 'D' D. Krushka 41-50. Interstate Skeet Team: G. Otley, R. Young, P. Campton, A. Styles, H. Astell, B. Sidnell, R. Mason, I. Buchanan, I. Rist, P. Marshall, M. Pulford, P. Turner, P. McKean, D. Taylor, A. Guy, City of L'ion DB Points C'ship: 'A' J. Blake 63-63, 'B' K. Madden 58-60, 'C' A. Allen 60-60, 'D' W. Etchell 57-63. Tas. Gun Club DD C'ship: 1st pair S. Marshall & P. Marshall, 2nd pair P. Turner & T. Burns. High Gun over 2 days: I. Rist 189-198. Shell Shield: Hobart Gun Club 358-375.

J. Blake of Launceston showed all his former brilliance by taking out 'A' grade in the City of Launceston Points Championship. Congratulations also to Paul and Sperry Marshall of Hobart in winning the Tasmanian Gun Club Deauville Doubles Championship. A special mention to G. Otley in shooting the remarkable score of 179-179 over both skeet events. Graeme to be highly praised for this outstanding achievement and is definitely "National" material.

Ten Ways To Spoil A Club

1. Don't come to meetings.
2. If you do, come late.
3. If the weather doesn't suit you, don't come at all.
4. If you do attend, find fault with the work of the officers and mother members.
5. Never accept office -- it's easier to criticise than to do things.
6. Nevertheless, get sore if you are NOT elected to the Committee; but if you are elected then don't attend meetings.
7. If you are asked by the Chairman to give an opinion on some important matter, tell him you have nothing to say; and afterwards tell everyone how things should have been done.
8. Do nothing more than is absolutely necessary, but when others roll up their sleeves and do it, howl about how the Club is being run by a clique.
9. Hold back your dues as long as possible, or don't pay any at all.
10. Don't bother about getting new members -- let 'George' do it.



WEST AUSTRALIA

AZZURRI, 22-10-77 — Night shoot, fine and warm (35). 20t DB from 18m: C. Bertini 20-20, P. Bryant 19-20, M. Alexander 18-20.

Congratulations to Mr Bertini for his shooting effort. Also best wishes to Mr Bryant for his win against some of the more experienced shooters. Finally to our captain Murray Alexander winner of our third prize.

BUNBURY, 16-10-77 — Fine and warm (29). 50t District ISU Skeet C'ship: Vince Marney 45-50; 'A' after a shoot-off with K. Schinzig, M. Cubic and K. Childs (all 42-50) M. Cubic won 63-75; 'B' N. Hyder and G. Hyder shot off with 38-50, after a lengthy shoot-off G. Hyder won 72-100; 'C' J. Coradetti 30-50. 30t DB Cartridge Hcp: M. Cubic 52-52, B. Bolitho 51-52, T. Shine 61-62.

EDGEHILL, 15-10-77 — Fine and sunny (10). 25t Skeet: High Gun Kevin Childs 25-25, Hcp Trophy Bill Rudler 28-29.

Fine conditions made for a very pleasant afternoon's shooting. A shoot-off was held to determine the winner of the handicap trophy between G. Cartwright and W. Rudler. Bill being the winner.

KAMBALDA, 18-9-77 — Fine and warm (13). 20t DB ACTA: A. Ward 20-20, B. Parker 21-22. 5t SB 5t DB Points SS: equal 1st T. Voddan and O. Makkonen 19-20. 10t "Leonara Special" SS: won outright by D. Lithgow 9-10.

KAMBALDA, 17-10-77 — Sunny and warm. 20pr DD 16m: D. Lithgow, P. Edwards 18-20; T. Voddan, O. Makkonen 30-35. 5pr DR 16m SS: equal 1st R. Hose, D. Lithgow 7-10. 10t DB 25m SS: equal 1st T. Voddan, O. Makkonen 7-10.

KAMBALDA, 16-10-77 — Sunny and warm (23). 50t DB 16m: A. Ward 50-50, O. Makkonen 49-50, T. Voddan 47-50. 10t SB 16m SS: equal 1st R. Hose, F. Beccarelli, B. Parker 10-10.

LEONORA, 2-10-77 — Fine (20). 20pr DR Club C'ship: K. Srib 31-40, N. Johnson 31-44, B. Mazza 30-44. Annie Oakley: won by K. Winter. Leonora Skeet SS: won by N. Johnson. 20t DB A.C.T.A. Night Shoot: R. Parker 45-45, B. Mann 44-45, E. Weirbiej 28-29.

PERTH, 15-10-77 — Fine, mild, fresh east wind (20). 50t ISU Skeet Graded: 'A' R. Bailey 46-50, J. Boyes 45-50; 'B' J. Eddy 41-50, F. Shanley 36-50; 'C' C. Brown 35-50, H. Leys, E. Lewis, E. Metcalf 31-50.

WAGIN, 16-10-77 — Fine warm (13). SB Club C'ship: P. Becker 27-30, G. Smith 24-30, L. Lupp 24-30, F. Paget 22-30, A. Jackson 16-30, K. Smith 15-30, J. Watson 14-30, M. Dival 14-30, I. Flugge 13-30, N. Ward 12-30, W. Agnew 12-30, T. Smith 21-30, D. Justin 20-30.

Good shooting conditions and welcome visitors made a good sociable shoot. Visitors L. Lupp, W. Agnew, T. Smith, I. Flugge, P. Becker top scoring and taking off the second Club C'ship Trophy. Shoot concluded with 5 pair of double rise just for practice.



PERTH CLAY TARGET CLUB INC.

**SATURDAY 10th DECEMBER,
1977
at 1.30 p.m.**

**STATE DOUBLE RISE
TOWER CHAMPIONSHIP**

Nom. \$8.00

**District Double Rise
Trap Championship**

Nom. \$6.00

Other events time permitting

**BBQ and Refreshments
at conclusion**

Queens Birthday Weekend at Azzurri, W.A.

Oct 8th Event 1 — State Skeet Championship.

The weather conditions were not very favourable when seventy shooters began their 50 target state trials. After the first 25 the scores were surprising. But this did not deter Darel Wiese in reaching a perfect score of 50/50. Going on to win the State Skeet. Mr A. Yozzi coming second and David Kevill third with 49/50. Ladies trophy won by Mrs C. Ireland.

Event Two — Cartridge Handicap

This event surprisingly drew a large crowd with nearly 100 shooters competing. This saw David Knight winning after a shoot-off against second place winner Ross Eckersley of Narrogin. Third saw veteran shooter N. Wells and fourth K. Geagea. Best unplaced back marker Mr A. Yozzi.

Event 3 — Wanneroo District Championship.

Again the crowd of shooters faced the tracks and the wind didn't make things easy. Again Darel Wiese ran out winner after a shoot-off against father-son team of Robyn and John Bailey. Robyn coming 2nd and John Bailey 3rd. FM winner Mr C. Forgiione.

Oct 9th Event 4 — State Mixed Targets.

Some 80 shooters braved an early Sunday morning to shoot 25 targets. Only two shooters, Jim Boyes and Murray Alexander rose victorious. After a brief shoot-off J. Boyes an old shooter came back to win the title. Third was Mr C. Roach. Best unplaced yardages: 11-15 m R. Herridge, 16-20 m R. Bessen, 21-25 m D. Wiese.

Event 5 — State Single Barrel.

This event should be regarded as a battle of experience and skill. The winner of this title has both and more, shooting a 29/30 Mr N. Wells. 2nd Mr R. Bailey and 3rd Tim Catling of Katanning. FM won by Mr B. Hopkins.

Event 6 — Lake Joondalup Handicap.

This saw Mr J. Bailey rise from the ashes of obscurity to win this event from the more experienced shooters — this guy will have to be watched. 2nd came B. Nicholls, 3rd Mr D. Wiese. Best unplaced 11-15 m R. Herridge, 16-20 m L. Ash, 21-25 m T. Catling.

Ladies trophy won by Miss N. Catling — well done!

HIGH GUN — MR D. WIESE 155/165.

LOW GUN — MR K. HUGHES.

The Committee of the Azzurri Gun Club wishes to thank the following donors for their efforts to support our sport:

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1977 W.A. STATE SKEET TEAM

C. Shepherd, W. Kennamer, D. Henthorn (High Gun), D. Weise, K. Hopkins, A. Larini, D. Knight, D. Kevill; A. Yozzi, R. Bailey, R. Holtfreter, L. Brockman, C. Brown, M. Cubic, S. Gibson.

Perth C.T. Club 2-Day Carnival



24th & 25th September, 1977

WINCHESTER TOURNAMENT

Winner R. Bailey being presented with sash by Mrs Franklin (wife of Winchester rep.)



STATE SKEET TEAM

High Gun - D. Henthorn (centre)



PERTH AIR FARE HANDICAP

Winner - M. Franklin (left).



J. Eddy (Club Captain), R. Bailey (President), N. Southey (National Sec.), R. Franklin (Winchester rep.).

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DECEMBER '77 PROGRAM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3rd		
Event 1	commencing 12 noon	Nom. \$6.00
Event 2	25 T TRENCH HANDICAP C/D	Nom. \$5.00
	commencing 1.15 p.m.	
Event 3	20 T CLUB DECEMBER DB POINTS GRADED C'SHIP	Nom. \$5.00
Event 4	20 T CLUB DECEMBER DB GRADED C'SHIP	Nom. \$5.00
	CLUB DECEMBER DD CHAMPIONSHIP	
	off 20 yards, own partners.	
Event 5	50 T CLUB DECEMBER GRADED SKEET C'SHIP	Nom. \$8.00

SATURDAY DECEMBER 10th		
Event 1	commencing 12 noon	Nom. \$6.00
Event 2	25 T TRENCH HCP C/D	Nom. \$5.00
	commencing 1.15 p.m.	
Event 3	20 T DB O'CALLAGHAN SB GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$8.00
	20 T DB O'CALLAGHAN HANDICAP	
	Grouped 11-16, 17-21, 22-25 metres.	
	OA WINNER: 72 PCE CANTEEN CUTLERY VALUE \$210.	
	Trophies to winners & 2nd in each group.	
Event 4	20 T DB O'CALLAGHAN DB GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$5.00
Event 5	20 T D. B. O'CALLAGHAN LADIES HANDICAP	Nom. \$5.00
	Ribbon & Trophy 1st, trophy 2nd.	
Event 6	50 T D. B. O'CALLAGHAN GRADED SKEET C'SHIP	Nom. \$8.00
	HIGH GUN OVER EVENTS 2 3 4 & 6	
	WILL RECEIVE SASH & TROPHY & HOLD GOLD CUP FOR 12 MONTHS	

SUNDAY DECEMBER 11th		
Event 1	commencing 12 noon	Nom. \$10.00
	VICTORIAN STATE ISU SKEET TEAM ELIMINATION 50 T	
	SIX HIGHEST SCORES WILL SHOOT	
	MATCH OF 50 T — A.C.T.A.	
	BADGES FOR TEAM	
Event 2	25 T GRADED TRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$6.00
Event 3	25 T TRENCH HANDICAP C/D	Nom. \$6.00
Event 4	50 T SKEET C'SHIP GRADED	Nom. \$8.00

SATURDAY DECEMBER 17th CHRISTMAS SHOOT

Event 1	commencing 12.45 p.m.	Nom. \$6.00
	20 T DB TROPHY SHOOT	
	OFF 16 m GRADED	
	Hams 1st each grade. Trophies 2nd.	
Event 2	20 T XMAS HANDICAP	Nom. \$7.00
	GROUPED AS UNDER	
	11-14, 15-18, 19-21, 22-25 metres.	
	Trophies 1st & 2nd for each group.	
Event 3	25 T SKEET TROPHY EVENT	Nom. \$6.00
	GRADED	
	A = 0, B = 1-2, C = 3-10.	
	Hams 1st, Trophies 2nd each grade.	
Event 4	20 T LADIES XMAS HANDICAP	Nom. \$5.00
	Seasonal trophies 1st, 2nd & 3rd.	

NOTE — Each nomination both for skeet & D.T.L. will qualify for free Xmas gift.

SATURDAY DECEMBER 31st NEW YEARS EVE

Event 1	commencing 12 noon	Nom. \$6.00
	25 T TRENCH HANDICAP C/D	
Event 2	20 T N.Y.E. MEDLEY	Nom. \$5.00
	GRADED C'SHIP 10 SB 10 DB	
Event 3	20 T N.Y.E. HANDICAP	Nom. \$7.00
Event 4	20 T N.Y.E. DB	Nom. \$5.00
	GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP	
Event 5	50 T N.Y.E. SKEET	Nom. \$8.00
	GRADED CHAMPIONSHIP	

NOTE — Barbecue and social to follow.
Refreshments Available.

Practice: Wednesdays from 3 p.m.,
Saturdays from 10.30 a.m.
Usual Amenities Available.

Ladies Events whenever
sufficient entries.

President:
R. Buchan
870 5459.

Secretary:
Mrs Jan Brunt
23 Coven Avenue,
North Bayswater,
729 5328.



METROPOLITAN CLAY TARGET CLUB

O'Herns Road, Epping — Phone 401 3134 (Club Rooms)

DECEMBER, 1977, PROGRAM

Event 1 **SATURDAY 3rd 12.30 start**
10 TGT POINTS E/O C.D. Nom. \$2.00

Event 2 **DIAMOND CREEK DB C'SHIP**
Optional Sweeps \$1.00. Nom. \$5.00

Event 3 **30 TGT TROPHY HANDICAP**
1st Shadow Auto. shotgun, 2nd MEC 600 reloader,
1000 primers and 1000 wads, 3rd 5 Gun Vertical
gun rack; Backmarker 3 tier gun rack (total value
approx \$540).
Optional Sweeps \$1.00. Nom. \$9.00

Event 4 **WOODSTOCK SKEET C'SHIP**
Optional Sweeps \$1.00. Nom. \$8.50

SATURDAY 10th 12.30 start
PRACTICE & NOVICE
CHAMPIONSHIP
Event 1 **SATURDAY NIGHT (10th) 7 p.m. start**
MERNDA TWILIGHT PTS C'SHIP
Optional Sweeps \$1.00. Nom. \$5.00

Event 2 **MERNDA CONT. DB
NIGHT C'SHIP**
Optional Sweeps \$1.00. Nom. \$5.50

Event 3 **20 TGT CONTINENTAL
NIGHT HANDICAP C/D** Nom. \$5.50

Event 4 **MERNDA 25 TGT NIGHT
SKEET C'SHIP**
Optional Sweeps \$1.00. Nom. \$6.00

SATURDAY 17th 11.00 a.m. start CLUB XMAS SHOOT

Event 1 **HARRY BELMORE DB C'SHIP**
A B C 15 tgt (see below) Nom. \$5.00

Event 2 **CYRIL COLLEGE HANDICAP**
15 tgt 11-14, 15-18, 19-21, 22-25. Nom. \$5.00

Event 3 **XMAS NOVELTY EVENT**
11-14, 15-18, 19-21, 22-25.
5 Silent Rise 11 m, 5 Sitting Down 16m, 5 pr Tower DR. Nom. \$5.00

Event 4 **XMAS SKEET C'SHIP**
25 tgt 0-1, 2-4 & 5-10. Nom. \$5.00

REMEMBER

Every financial Metropolitan member receives the second nomination free.

Trophies — 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each section each event.
Sashes to OA winners. Ribbons other grades or sections.
Ladies trophies. Mystery targets. Father Xmas for the kids.
Free barbecue tea. Barbecue facilities available for lunch.
API/MFB/METRO Shield shoot in conjunction with event 1.

"IMPORTANT NOTE"

All shooters must produce their current A.C.T.A. card
regardless of grade when shooting at Metro. Clay
Target Club.

The President, Secretary and Committee of the
M.C.T.C. extends the compliments of the season to the
executive and members of the A.C.T.A. and wishes to
thank all the shooters who have supported us during
1977.

"Good Shooting For 1978"

Skeet Practice Every Tuesday Afternoon commencing at 1 o'clock.
Ground Fee \$1.50.

President:
Ray Shipperlee.
Phone 370 3331 (private).

Secretary:
Bruce Williams.
25 Warralong Ave., Greensborough.
Phone 435 0043 (private).



FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN GUN CLUB

THE HOSPITALITY CLUB IN THE SOUTH DECEMBER PROGRAM

★ Sunday, December 4th.
commencing at 12 noon.

Event 1	10 TARGET POINTS CD CONTINENTAL	Nom. \$3.50
Event 2	20 TARGET CHELSEA DB CONT. CHAMPIONSHIP Graded Sash & Trophy 1st each grade. Trophy for 2nd.	Nom. \$5.00
Event 3	10 TARGET DB HANDICAP Trophy for 1st, 2nd and 3rd.	Nom. \$3.50

★ Sunday, December 11th.
commencing at 12 noon

Event 1	5 PAIR DD EYE OPENER	Nom. \$3.50
Event 2	20 PAIR DANDENONG DD CHAMPIONSHIP Sash & Trophy 1st. Trophy 2nd.	Nom. \$5.00
Event 3	15 TARGET DANDENONG DB CHAMPIONSHIP Sash & Trophy 1st each grade. Trophy for 2nd.	Nom. \$4.50

CHRISTMAS SHOOT

Sunday, December 18th. at 12 noon

Event 1	15 TGT FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN CHRISTMAS DOUBLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP Sash & Ham 1st each grade. Ham for 2nd.	Nom. \$4.50
Event 2	15 TARGET HANDICAP Hams for 12-13 m, 14-15 m, 16-17 m, 18-19 m, 20-22 m, 23-25 m.	Nom. \$4.50

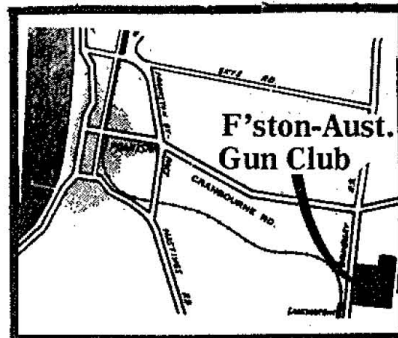
COMING EVENT

Watch for the Big News!!!
our New Ground Opens Early in 1978

Ammunition and Afternoon Teams
available at ground.

President:
Gordon Morgan.
B.H. 93 2366;
Priv. 792 9057.

Secretary.
Mrs C. Rynsent.
Phone: 783 2277.





VICTORIA

ALEXANDRA, 1-10-77 — Beautiful (37). 10t EO SS: shared by G. Thorneycroft, D. Borden, J. Grice, B. Pyke, P. McNair, A. Petersen, R. Lambden 10-10. Alexandra H.S. 10t C'ship: W. Newton 10-10, K. Elward 9-10. Alexandra Open Sec. Students 20t C'ship: OA D. Borden 18-20. 1st Boys D. Borden, Girls K. Nicolson 5-20; 2nd F. Scotta 24-27; 3rd K. Elward 23-27. 20t DB Hcp: shared by J. Grice 20-20, A. Morrison 20-20, 2nd W. Borden and P. McNair 19-20. 20t DB Hcp: shared by D. Borden, D. Coghill, R. Nicolson, P. McNair, M. Dyson 20-20. 25t Club Mixed Tgt C'ship: D. Coghill 21-25, J. Blakeny 29-36, A. Petersen 28-36. FM G. Lister 15-25. 20t SB 16m yardage Hcp: 11-14m R. Elward 17-20, B. Sheard 16-20; 15-17m B. Pyke 17-20, J. Grice 16-20; 18m D. Coghill 36-38, J. Blakeny 35-38.

Our annual secondary students shoot saw Walter Newton and Don Borden taking off the main sashes. Two beautiful watches, donated by the Grice family were won by Don Borden and Kerry Nicolson.

APSLEY, 21-10-77 — Good (54). Kowree & Border Dist DD C'ship: W. Hetherington and K. Holmes 47-49; P. Telford & R. Wilmshurst 46-49. \$100 Manchester Hcp: A. Cameron (Tolondo) 56-56, W. Hetherington (Mt Gambier) 55-56, A. Wilson (Apsley) 34-35.

Congratulations to Alan Cameron for a very fine performance from 20 metres in the \$100 Hcp; also to Bill Hetherington in obtaining a 50-break, and not overlooking the 34 straight from schoolboy Andrew Wilson.

BAIRNSDALE, 1-10-77 — Fine (19). 5t WU EO CD: D. Luelf, B. Crane 5-5, J. Croucher, S. Templeton, B. Ingham, W. Growcott 4-5. Gippsland WU C'ship: W. Growcott 20-20, H. Klein 19-20, B. Crane 18-20. Club Skeet C'ship: 0-2 & OA J. Aukema 36-37, 3-5 B. Crane 24-25, 6 & over B. Ingham 21-25. 1st Cont. CD: D. Luelf 13-15, J. Aukema, P. Crute, B. Ingham, H. Klein, B. Crane all 12-15.

BANDIANA AREA ARMY, 23-10-77 — Fine and calm (29). 5t DB EO: 11 possibles. Club Mixed Tgt C'ship: N. Berry 24-25, T. Whitehead 22-25, B. Liersch 32-39; best 11-13m M. Pickering 18-25. 1st PS Hcp: L. McCann 43-45, B. Liersch 48-51, R. Cullen 47-51; best 18-25m J. Sojowski 44-48.

A real good days shooting with visitors from as far as Shepparton.

BENDIGO, 1-10-77 — Perfect (58). 10pr DD EO: divided by nine pair. Anniversary DD C'ship: A. James, L. Jobling 83-83; D. Patterson, N. Patterson 82-82. Grouped Hcp Major: 11-13m N. Chalmer (Bendigo) 20-20, R. Frazer (Kyneton) 19-20; 14-16m G. Scarce (Echuca) 28-28, R. McGreehan (Victoria) 27-18; 17-18m T. Clarke (Bendigo) 63-63, N. Napier (Kerang) 62-62; 19-21m R. Honeychurch (Bendigo) 41-41, D. Rumbold (Bendigo) 40-41; 22-25m K. Bucholtz (Deniliquin) 20-20, A. James (M'borough) 19-20.

The football replay, and a major shoot at Melbourne affected Bendigo's crowd when 58 attended, the worst attendance for two years. Some good shooting was witnessed in glorious weather conditions. The DD went to 83 and 1 group in the handicap to 63. Neil Chalmer took out his 1st trophy and Tony Clarke and N. Napier shot their first breaks.

CALLAWADDA, 15-10-77 — Fine (44). 30t DB Hcp: 1st & OA L. Gibson, 'A' N. Hinneberg, R. Newe; 'B' T. Drummond, Pauline Clarke; 'C' G. Vogel, T. Hunt. Schoolboys event in conj with above: 16yrs & under S. Hemley, P. Grogan; 1st 14yrs & under V. Drummond. 15t Cash Hcp: four divided.

Founded 1965.

KORUMBURRA GUN CLUB

2 kilometres past the town
on the South Gippsland-hwy.

SUNDAY, 4th DECEMBER

(at 12 noon)

Skeet Christmas Shoot

Event 1	25 tgts HANDICAP	\$4.50
	0 to 3; 4 to 6; 7 to 10.	
Event 2	25 tgts OFF GUN	\$4.50
	Trophies for 1st, 2nd & 3rd	
Event 3	25 tgts HANDICAP	\$4.50
	0 to 3; 4 to 6; 7 to 10.	

D.T.L. Christmas Shoot

SATURDAY, 24th DECEMBER

(at 12 noon)

Event 1	5 tgts D.B. HANDICAP	\$2.00
Event 2	5 tgts SINGLE BARREL	\$2.00
Event 3	5 tgts D.B. (OFF CHAIR)	\$2.00
Event 4	5 tgts WALK-UP	\$2.00
Event 5	5 tgts SILENT RISE D.B. 16m	\$2.00
Event 6	10 tgts CONT. HCP	\$2.00
Event 7	5 tgts TOWER - P/S	\$2.00

Trophies, consisting of Hams and Christmas Cakes will be restricted to: one first, one second and one third to each shooter.

Secretary: Ken Brown,
Inverloch Road, Kongwak.

VICTORIAN GUN CLUB



DECEMBER PROGRAM

Saturday 3rd —

CHRISTMAS SHOOT 1 p.m.

SPECIAL HANDICAP \$4.00

Other Events time permitting

Wednesday 7th —

commencing 7 p.m.

SINGLE BARREL (Twilight CD) \$4.00

DOUBLE BARREL \$4.00

Wednesday 14th —

20 TGT HANDICAP

\$15.00

Overall winner — Auto Gun

1 case shells each (Groups)

11-13, 14-16, 17-19, 20-22, 23-25

Wednesday 21st —

D.B. MINI C'SHIP

\$4.00

(Twilight CD)

D.B. PTS C'SHIP

\$4.00

Wednesday 28th —

NO SHOOT

★ Nominations will not be accepted from shooters who are unable to produce a current registration card.

Secretary:

M. Shiels

17 Finley Road,

Altona 3018

Phone: 398 1944.

COHUNA, 21-10-77 — Fine, cool (50). Novice: D. Bohn 6-7, B. Skate 9-13. Gunbower Is. Mini C'ship: N. Napier 20-20, C. Knight 19-20, S. Kerr 23-25; I. Smith 16-20. Cohuna Dist DB C'ship: F. James 29-20, C. Knight 28-29, R. Allen 21-22; FM L. Bernard 18-24. Off Fence: C. Doyle.

COLAC, 1-10-77 — Perfect (21). 10t Pts off 16m: H. Eldridge 30-30, P. McDonald 29-30, A. Allitt 29-30, R. Swartz 29-30, Alex and Frank Eldridge Mem C'ship: A. Allitt 56-56, H. Eldridge 55-56, D. Grummett 45-46. 20t DB Hcp: G. Edwards 26-26, I. Dickens 25-26, K. McCoombe 24-25; FM D. Bramley 18-20, BM R. Parker 18-20.

Only a fair attendance on a perfect spring day.

COLBINABBIN, 8-10-77 — A beautiful sunny day (24). Club 20t SB C'ship: P. Crute 18-20, A. Hipwell 17-21, K. Tuohy 17-22; FM W. Koopman 16-17. 20t DB Hcp: W. Koopman 19-20, A. Johns 26-28, John Honeysett 25-28; FM G. Crute. Spr DR: J. McAllister 9-10, T. Koopman and John Honeysett 7-10 divided.

It was the club's first shoot for the season and shooters from the Darwin, Heathcote, Bendigo and Tatura Clubs attended. Since the last shoot in April much work has been done at our shooting area, including the installation of a second trap layout. Both traps will be fitted with lights shortly. As soon as the power is connected and the lights are tested, the club is looking forward to conducting some night shoots, hopefully in November.

H.M.A.S., 2-10-77 — Continuous rain (24). 10t Pts CD: C. Carrol 30-10, B. Woodward 28-10, J. Noy, G. Burris, J. Rowe 26-10. Annual SB C'ship: K. Dawson 11-11, W. Iles 10-11, B. Brookes 14-15. Annual DB C'ship: K. Calder 54-54, W. Iles 53-54, M. Little 29-30. 10t Hcp: K. Dawson 10-10, A. Chandler 19-20, G. Burris 17-19. 10t Cerberus Circles: W. Iles 10-10, J. Noy, D. Milojevic 9-10.

In both championships the Navy High Gun was won by Seaman Roffey, very well done by such a new shooter. Good shooting in poor conditions by both K. Calder and W. Iles to pass the 50 mark, this is the first time in some years that the 50 has been shot in one event.

COSGROVE, 7-10-77 — Perfect (64). 20t Hcp: R. Sutherland (Cosgrove) 36-36, A. Kriss (Shepparton) 35-36, N. Berry (Shepparton) 34-35; 11-14m N. Evans, 15-17m J. Honeysett, 18-20m J. McGraw, 21-25m M. Gribben and V. Ryan. Club DB C'ship 30t: 'A' & OA R. English (Wangaratta) 41-42, 'B' J. McGraw (Cosgrove) 29-30, 'C' L. Lawrence (Cosgrove) 40-42. High Gun: A. Kriss 49-50.

ECHUCA, 8-10-77 — Fine and warm (46). Campaspe Valley DB C'ship: K. Bucholtz 31-31, W. Coulson 30-31, R. McGreehan 25-26. 20t Hcp: P. Cook 22-22, W. Koopman 24-25, R. Nisbet 23-25.

It was a fine warm night and because of Victorian power restrictions the club had to borrow a number of generators and supply its own electricity. The Championship was won by Kim Bucholtz of Deniliquin with Bill Coulson of Bendigo second and R. McGreehan of Victoria Gun Club third. The Handicap was won by Peter Cook of Echuca with Bill Koopman of

MANSFIELD GUN CLUB

5 miles Mt Buller Road, Mansfield

SUNDAY, 15th JANUARY, 1978

Event 1: 10 tgt E/O C.D.; Event 2: 20 tgt DB Points C'ship;
Event 3: 20 tgt Handicap C.D. Other events time permitting.

President:
T. Newman.

Secretary:
T. Apps.

NOORAT GUN CLUB

**28th January, 1978,
(Saturday)**

**LES REICHA
MEMORIAL SHIELD**
30 targets DB, Down-The-Line
Graded A 20 m, B 18 m, C 16 m.

Nomination \$7.00 Optional Sweeps
Shield and Trophy to Outright winner plus grade trophies.

**DEAUVILLE DOUBLES
CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**
18 m 20 pair.

Nomination \$6.00 Optional Sweeps.

Note: start 1.30 p.m. sharp.

President:
D. Grummett.

Secretary:
L. Reither.
Box 2, Terang.

SHEPPARTON CLAY TARGET CLUB XMAS SHOOT

SATURDAY, 3rd DECEMBER
12.30 p.m.

Event 1 Nom. FREE
THOMPSONS' SPORTS STORE
CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS
Open to all shooters who have won individual Championships at Shepparton in 1977.

Event 2 Nom. \$2.00
EYE OPENER
1 target off 11 m, 1 off 14, 1 off 16, 1 off 18, 1 off 20, 1 off 22
and 1 off 25 m.

Event 3 Nom. \$4.00
**SHEPPARTON CLAY TARGET CLUB
XMAS CHAMPIONSHIP**
2 targets off 11 m, 2 off 14, 2 off 16, 2 off 18, 2 off 20, 2 off
22 and 2 off 25 m.
1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & FM trophies.

Event 4 Nom. \$4.00
GRADED HANDICAP
Xmas Hamper for best 11-15 m, 16-18, 19-22 & 23-25 m
shooters.

Event 5 Nom. \$3.00
DEAUVILLE DOUBLES
Drawn Partners. 1st, 2nd & 3rd Prizes.

**PRIZES FOR BEST SCHOOL BOY
OR GIRL IN SPECIAL EVENT**

**RED TARGETS WILL BE THROWN IN OCCASIONALLY
THROUGHOUT THE DAY. SHOOTERS LUCKY ENOUGH
TO BREAK ONE WILL RECEIVE A BOTTLE OF WINE.**

**Free BBQ and Refreshments
After The Shoot**

**All REGISTERED shooters & their families
welcome.**

Secretary:
G. Trevaskis.
Phone (058) 27 1236.

GEELONG CLAY TARGET CLUB

NEW YEAR ANNUAL GRAND PRIX ALL PROCEEDS TO AID CHARITY SIX GUNS TO BE WON



MONDAY, 2nd JANUARY, 1978
9.30 start

Event 1

15 Target Handicap DB

Noms. \$3.00

Event 2

**South Barwon Lions Club Grand Prix
30 Target Handicap DB**

Noms. \$25.00

VALUE \$3000

VALUE \$3000

4 Divisions 11-14 m 15-17 m 18-20 m 21-25 m
Overall 1st Sash & Winchester 101 International Pigeon Grade U/O value \$695.
Courtesy of Winchester Australia.
Overall 2nd Winchester Super X Mk 1 5-shot Auto. value \$390.
1st each division Winchester 1400 Vent Rib Auto. Win Choke, value \$240.
2nd each division MEC 600 Reloader, value \$145.
3rd each division Trophy value \$30.

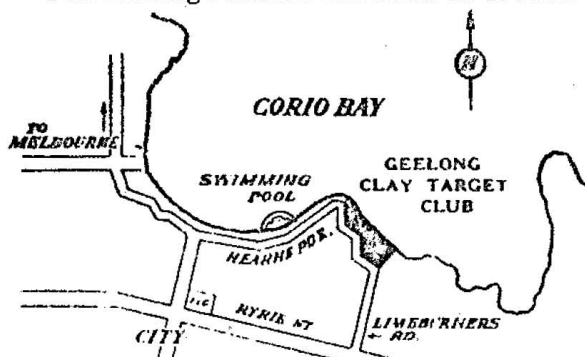
Event 3

Nom. \$5.00

**20 Target New Year
Double Barrel Graded Championship**

Trophy A B C plus overall sash.

Full Catering Facilities and Booth on Ground.



Secretary:
Allison H. Storrar.
43 Hibiscus Cres.
Newcomb 3219.

President:
R. Green.
126 Ryrie Street,
Geelong.
Phone 98514.

ECHUCA GUN CLUB

(VIC)
(Affiliated A.C.T.A.)

BOXING DAY SHOOT TUESDAY, 27th DECEMBER — DAY & NIGHT commencing at 9.00 a.m.

Event No. 1	10 TARGET DOUBLE BARREL EYE OPENER	Nomination \$2.50
Event No. 2	FRANK BURGESS MEMORIAL D.B. CHAMPIONSHIP	Nomination \$6.00
Event No. 3	20 TARGET HANDICAP 1st: Tool Kit (cabinet type) \$550; 2nd: Tool Kit \$100; 3rd Tool Kit \$85. Metre Prizes: Motorist Tool Sets \$25; LADIES EVENT SHOT IN CONJUNCTION - \$5 Nomination. Trophies to suit.	Nomination \$14.00
Event No. 4	ECHUCA GUN CLUB ANNIVERSARY DOUBLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP 1st: Winchester Rifle (490) \$149; 2nd: Gun Case \$15; 3rd Shooting Glasses \$13. TROPHIES DONATED BY H. E. ALLEN, KYABRAM FOR THIS EVENT NIGHT — commencing AT DARK	Nomination \$6.00
Event No. 5	EYE OPENER 10 TARGET DOUBLE BARREL	Nomination \$2.50
Event No. 6	STATE DOUBLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP Graded Event: 1st & 2nd, A B C.	Nomination \$8.00
Event No. 7	20 TARGET HANDICAP	Nom. \$6.00

HIGH GUN OVER THE DAY — SASH PROVIDED
All Events — 50c Optional Sweeps on each 10 (except Eye Openers).

Midday and Evening Meal Available : Liquor Licence
Ammunition Available.

(The Committee Reserves the Right to Alter the Program if Necessary)

President: JOHN POLA.
Kyabram. Phone (058) 52 2452.

Secretary: LINDSAY HANRAHAN.
Echuca. Phone: 82 2418.

Cobram second and Robert Nisbet third. Once again it was pleasing to see so many visiting shooters.

EUROA, 23-10-77 — Fine and sunny (40). 10t DB 16m CD: N. Sheard, F. Burns, W. Borden, R. Lambden, F. Ward, G. Willet, R. Barns, T. Newman divided 10-10. 20t PS C'ship: A. Spence 89-90, A. Sheard 97-99, Mrs J. Young 96-99; FM T. Apps 57-60. 20t DB Hcp: R. Cooper 39-39, R. Young 38-39, T. Apps 36-37; BM A. Spence. 10t DB 16m CD: A. Spence, R. Lambden, J. King, R. Young, G. Willet divided 10-10. Junior 10t PS 16m: A. Morrison 28-30. Junior 10t DB Hcp: A. Morrison 9-10.

Very pleasing to see so many visitors attending to compete in the "Euroa Wool Festival Championships". Congratulations to Allen Spence for his popular win in the main event. Second prize in this event was donated by Mrs Sheard and son Andrew promptly took it home again. In the \$70 handicap R. Cooper was the most skillful taking off the first prize. Next month, the Sheard Family are donating the Sash and 1st trophy for the club's annual Double Barrel Championship on Sunday 27th November.

FOSTER, 8-10-77 — Perfect (19). 10t Pts Decision: 30-30 A. Cripps, G. Mowat, N. Bunden, J. Hamblin. 25t Don Osborne Mem Mixed Tgts C'ship: 22-25 won outright by R. Martin. 21-25 J. Green, J. Hamblin; shoot-off results 2nd J. Green, 3rd J. Hamblin. Sash donated by R. Whykes; trophy donated by Mr and Mrs J. Osborne Snr and Mr and Mrs L. Clavarino; yardage trophy donated by Mr and Mrs I. Soderlund, 2nd prize trophy donated by Mr and Mrs A. Cripps, 3rd prize trophy donated by Mr and Mrs E. Stockton. 10t SB 1 2 3 trophies: 10-10 won outright by G. Mowat; seven shooters qualified with 9-10. Final results 2nd P. Green, 3rd M. Green.

Shooters came from Morwell, Korumburra and Foster. Very pleased to welcome Don's mother and father; also his two brothers, Bruce and Allan from Bairnsdale and Mallaacoota. Congratulations to Ray for his excellent shooting to win the Memorial event outright. Also to G. Mowat to win the Single Barrel event outright. We all wish Geoff good health and very nice to see him with us again and shooting well after being on the sick list. Thank you to all helpers and donations of trophies and money.

FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN, 23-10-77 — Fine and sunny (69). 10t Pts CD: B. Webley, A. Clarkson, P. Clancy, R. Thatcher, J. Flentjar 30-30. 10t Sassafrass DB C'ship: 'A' & OA R. McMillan 38-38, R. Dupuy 36-37; 'B' M. Whitelaw 37-38, G. Walker 26-27; 'C' M. Cook 18-19, K. Dawson 22-24. 10t Sassafrass SB C'ship: 'A' & OA R. McMillan 22-23, G. Long 21-23; 'B' D. Parsell 21-23, B. Shandley 12-14; 'C' A. Clarkson 16-18, A. Hendricks 11-13. 10t Hcp: K. Dawson 29-29, N. Salemah 28-29, J. Tozer 22-23. 5t Novice: S. Matthews 10-10, P. McCarthy 8-10. 15t event continued from 16-10-77: 'A' & OA D. Walker 70-70, G. Long 69-70.

FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN, 16-10-77 — Overcast (81). 10t Pts Hcp CD: J. Schmidt, R. Boyce, T. Proske, D. Trembath, F. Buchan, G. Long 30-30 divided. Duke of Gloucester Cup: A. Heathcote 34-34, S. Bickford 33-34, G. Braid 41-42; BM K. Flentjar 44-46. Berwick DB C'ship: 'A' — — — — — 2nd, 'B' D. Trembath 541-552, P. Heywood 50-51; 'C' K. Dummy 25-27, J. Flentjar 24-27; OA to be decided.

FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN, 9-10-77 — Overcast and windy (48). 50t Frankston Skeet C'ship: open R. Buchan 58-58, M. Hastie 57-58; res. J. Reid 54-54, W. Brewer 53-54. 50t Waverley Skeet C'ship: open J. Summers Jnr 59-59, S. Daymond 58-59; res. W. Brewer 47-50, L. Charles 51-58. High Gun over events 1 & 2: R. Buchan 99-100. Teams Results: Melb. No. 1 479-500 J. Summers, G. Biggs, M. Hastie, R. Buchan, S. Daymond. 5th Eastern Zone Team: R. Buchan, M. Hastie, L. Mauger, G. Biggs, I. Hale, S. Daymond, M. Delorenzo, B. Dawe, G. Morgan, J. Chapple, B. Webley, S. Caldwell.

A very successful day made possible by the generosity and co-operation of the committee of the Melbourne Gun Club. Our sincere thanks and gratitude are extended to the Melbourne Gun Club committee and members.

FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN, 9-10-77 — Windy (38). 5pr DR CD: T. Nash, D. Walker 10-10. 10pr DR C'ship: OA & 'A' D. Walker 19-20, R. Allen 18-24; 'B' S. Bell 19-22, P. Clancy 18-22; 'C' G. Eddy 16-20, E. McClelland 13-20. 15t DB C'ship: 'A' D. Walker 48-49, B.

Swan Hill-Nyah Gun Club

SATURDAY, 17th DECEMBER

1.30 p.m.

XMAS SHOOT

Event 1 — 10 TARGET HANDICAP SWEEP

Event 2 — 10 TARGET XMAS HANDICAP

Event 3 — 10 TARGETS OFF 16 M

Event 4 — 10 TARGETS OFF TOWER

NEW YEARS DAY

SUNDAY 1st JANUARY, 1978

start 1.00 p.m.

NOVELTY DAY

Event 1 — 5 TARGETS OFF HANDICAP

Event 2 — 10 TARGETS OFF HCP TROPHIES

Event 3 — 5 PAIR DR 16 M

Event 4 — 5 PAIR DR TOWER

Event 5 — 25 TARGET SKEET HCP

President:
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Portarlington Clay Target Club

(Affiliated A.C.T.A.)

Location: Nargoondy Park, 32 kilometres from Geelong

37th Annual Christmas & New Year Championship Shoot

(starts 1 p.m. each day)

— TWO TRAPS OPERATING —

SUNDAY, 18th DECEMBER, 1977

Drysdale DD Championship

Drysdale DB Pts Championship

MONDAY, 26th DECEMBER 1977

Ocean Grove DD Championship

Ocean Grove DB Pts C'ship

NEW YEARS DAY

Sunday, 1st January 1978

Bellarine Pen SB C'ship

Bellarine Pen. DB C'ship

MONDAY 2nd JANUARY 1978

Queenscliff DB C'ship

Queenscliff DD C'ship

SUNDAY 8th JANUARY 1978

St. Leonards DB Pts C'ship

St. Leonards DD C'ship

SATURDAY 14th JANUARY 1978

Portarlington Club SB C'ship

Portarlington DB Pts C'ship

SUNDAY 15th JANUARY 1978

Portarlington DR C'ship

Portarlington DD C'ship

SUNDAY 22nd JANUARY 1978

Clifton Springs DB Mini C'ship

Clifton Springs SB C'ship

Badges & 1st and 2nd Trophies on all D.D. Championships.

Badges 1st, 2nd & 3rd Trophies on other Championships.
Ladies Trophy on all Championships.

Noms. for all Championships: \$5
10 Target Eye Opener Pts Score each day

Afternoon Tea & Barbecue Available
Free Camping. Plenty of shade and shelter.

Secretary: R. JORGENSEN
Box 15, PORTARLINGTON

Shandley 22-23; 'B' & OA A. Zarro 49-49, S. Bell 28-29; 'C' K. Dawson 35-36, B. Marriner 14-15. 1st Hcp: R. Bomer 22-22, N. Salemah 25-27, G. Eddy 24-27.

FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN, 25-9-77 — Fine and sunny. 10t Pts CD: B. Webley, G. Morgan, R. McMillan, T. Wilkinson, G. Cornell, K. Flentjar, A. Clarkson, R. Boyce, N. Delorenzo, R. Thather, D. Parsell 30-30 divided. 10t DB C'ship: 'A' B. Dawe 64-65, K. Flentjar 49-50; 'B' R. McMillan 65-65, N. Delorenzo 43-44; 'C' G. Haworth 22-23, J. Kendall 19-20 overall. 10t SB C'ship: 'A' T. Rowe 21-22, K. Flentjar 19-20; 'B' R. McMillan 19-20, P. Heywood; 'C' J. Goulden, 2nd Overall T. Rowe. 10t Hcp: A. Heathcote 33-33, J. Schmidt 32-33, J. Dean 30-31. Novice: R. Bomer 9-11, R. Roberts 8-11.

FRANKSTON-AUSTRALIAN, 2-10-77 — (46). 10t Pts CD 16m: N. Salameh, A. Bradshaw, G. Long, G. Eddy, R. McMillan, D. Parsell 30-30 divided. 15t DB C'ship: 'A' A. Bradshaw 69-69, B. Webley 68-69; 'B' R. Thatcher 41-42, M. Delorenzo 22-23; 'C' N. Salameh 14-15, J. Schmidt 28-30; Overall A. Bradshaw. 15t SB C'ship: 'A' N. Biennu 22-22, P. Playsted 21-22; 'B' D. Trembath 15-17, A. McChrystal 14-17; 'C' P. Cook 18-20, N. Salameh 17-20; Overall N. Biennu. 15t off 16m: A. Heathcote 51-51, A. Bradshaw 50-51, K. Dawe 41-42. Novice: R. Bomer 8-10, P. McCarthy 8-11.

GEELONG, 22-10-77 — Fine but windy (42). EO 10t Pts: P. Torok 29-30, M. Richards 28-30, K. Wright 28-30, City Barwon DB C'ship: Ray Bath 24-24, M. Richards 23-24, J. Hughes 20-21; FM R. L. Barkers 18-20, City of Barwon SB C'ship: Jimmy Jones 20-20, R. Light 19-20, K. Wright 20-22; FM R. L. Barker 16-20, City of Barwon Tower Championship Pts: M. Richards 60-60, J. Hehir 57-60, P. Torok 56-60.

Tremendous shooting by Jimmy Jones to win the SB. Owing to S.E.C. strike this is all the results for October.

HAMILTON, 15-10-77 — Fine, light wind (42). 10t Cont. EO: 4 divided 10-10 A. Cameron, J. Charman, I. Christie, L. Howlett, Victorian DB Cont C'ship: N. Berry 66-68, P. Telford 65-68, T. Linke 38-41. 20t Trophy Hcp: L. Howlett 35-36, W. Storer 35-37, T. Linke 34-37.

HEATHCOTE, 15-10-77 — Cool and cloudy (42). 10t EO DB off Hcp: B. Warren, J. Bradley, A. Johns, W. Newnham, T. Clarke, N. Frankling, R. Goodall, K. Tuohy, B. Thompson, G. Moore, Margaret Lake shared \$44. 15t DB Hcp: 5 possibles R. Clouston, N. Frankling, B. Amy, G. Moore, J. Farley; 1st B. Amy 20-20, 2nd N. Frankling 19-20, 3rd G. Moore 22-23. FM was G. Brown 12-15 and BM T. Clarke 12-15. Off the Fence T. Clark, L. Kemp missed the Jackpot.

Enjoyable shoot. New trap now installed.

JEPARIT, 15/16-10-77 15 & 16-10-77 — Fine and mild (Sat 15th day 60 shooters, night 70). District Pts C'ship: 'A' & OA D. Flavel 83-84, F. Heinze 80-84; 'B' W. Hetherington 60-63, R. Sullivan 57-63; 'C' J. Witney 56-60, R. Jorgensen 77-84. Ladies Brenda Dupay 47-60, Marg Pitt 44-60; Junior Andrew Gawith 45-60. 30t Trophy Hcp Groups: 20-25m L. Dimasi 51-51, T. Scott 50-51; 16-19m W. Hetherington 40-40, B. Knight 39-40; 11-15m R. McDonald 32-34, D. Witney 31-34. Best 11-15m shooter not having won a trophy over events 1 and 2 R. Dellar. District Night DB C'ship: 'A' & OA D. Flavel 36-36, G. Mark 35-36; 'B' A. McChrystal 28-29, W. Hetherington 27-29; 'C' M. Dellar 20-20, R. McDonald 19-20.

Sunday 16th — Fine and warm (132). Winchester Tournament: 121 shooters full noms. 9 shooters T/O. District SB C'ship: 'B' & OA R. Bull 23-23, R. Pitt 19-20; 'A' J. Hinnerberg 20-20, B. Loxton 35-36; 'C' G. Mills 22-23, J. Hinge 21-23.

A High Gun sash and trophy over events 1 2 3 4 5 was won by Fred Heinze 155-160. Many thanks to all helpers and shooters from near and far for making our first two day shoot a smooth running, relaxing and successful carnival.

KANIVA, 23-10-77 — Fine and windy (40). Club DR C'ship: 'A' & OA E. Hall 22-24, R. Andrews 21-24; 'B' J. Wagg 17-20, J. Colwill 15-20; 'C' M. O'Connor 16-20, J. Manz 14-20, Trophy Hcp: J. Manz 20-20, R. Hinge 46-47, R. Pitt 45-47. FM Ladies Trophy: R. Bower 30-40, H. Flavel 17-20.

KERANG, 15-10-77 — Fine and breezy (35). 15t Pts EO 16m: C. Turvey 45-45, R. Ridgeway and J. Dunstan both 43-45. 20t Kerang SB C'ship: F. James 19-20, K. Burton 19-21.

WERRIBEE GUN CLUB

VIC.

SUNDAY, 11th DECEMBER
commencing 12.30 p.m.

Event 1

"CHRISTMAS 20 TGT DB
GRADED PTS C'SHIP"

Event 2

"CHRISTMAS 20 TGT SB
GRADED C'SHIP"
Ham for 1st & 2nd in each grade.

Afternoon Teas and Refreshments
available on ground.

President:
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Phone (bus.) 398-1511.

GEELONG CLAY TARGET CLUB

(Affiliated A.C.T.A.)

DECEMBER PROGRAM

SATURDAY 3rd — at 12 o'clock start

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| Event 1 | 5 TGT POINTS TOWER E/O | Nom. \$2.00 |
| Event 2 | 20 TGT PTS TOWER C'SHIP
1st Badge & Trophy. Trophy 2nd & 3rd. | Nom. \$6.00 |
| Event 3 | 50 TGT GRADED SKEET
1st sash & trophy, 2nd trophy in each grade.
BBQ facilities available. Afternoon Tea & Evening Tea. | Nom. \$9.00 |

NIGHT — 7 o'clock start

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| Event 1 | 5 POINT TOWER E/O | Nom. \$2.00 |
| Event 2 | COMM. NIGHT TOWER DB C'SHIP
1st sash & trophy. Trophy 2nd & 3rd. | Nom. \$7.00 |
| Event 3 | VIC STATE NIGHT SKEET 25 TGTS
1st sash & trophy each grade. 2nd trophy. 0-1 2-4 5-10. | |

SATURDAY 10th —

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| Event 1 | 10 TGT HANDICAP E/O | Nom. \$2.00 |
| Event 2 | 20 TARGET HANDICAP
3 equal Trophies. Nom. for 2nd Jan. Grand Prix. | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 3 | 25 TGT S.B. CHAMPIONSHIP
1st badge & trophy. 2nd & 3rd trophies. | Nom. \$5.00 |
| Event 4 | STINGRAY BAY SKEET C'SHIP
1st Badge & Trophy. 2nd & 3rd trophy. | |

SATURDAY 17th —

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| Event 1 | 5 TGT EYE OPENER | Nom. \$2.00 |
| Event 2 | 10 TGT HANDICAP
1st, 2nd & 3rd Xmas Hamper. Trophies each metre group. | Nom. \$3.00 |
| Event 3 | 10 TGT XMAS C'SHIP
1st Badge & Hamper, 2nd, 3rd Hamper.
Ladies Championship in conj.
1st Badge and Trophy. 2nd 3rd trophy. | Nom. \$4.00 |
| Event 4 | LADIES EVENT | Free Noms. |
| Event 5 | 5 TGT CONSOLATION
FREE SWEETS, ICE CREAM, BALLOONS FOR THE KIDS.
Every shooter who nominated gets something. | Nom. \$2.00 |

President: R. Green
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Hon. Sec: Allison H. Storrar
43 Hibiscus Cres.
Newcombe 3219

R. Ridgeway 18-21; FM H. Dee 16-20. 10t Hcp Trophy: possibles shot by O. Allison, R. Wilkinson, F. James, K. Horking, K. Burton, N. Napier, I. Smith, R. Mills, C. Penno, J. Allison. shoot-off results C. Penno 68-68, N. Napier 67-68, K. Horking 43-44. 10pr DR SS 16m: F. James 8-10, K. Horking, N. Napier and A. Mills 7-10.

KERANG, 16-9-77 — Fine and cool (56). 6pr DD EO: possibles shot by G. Kerr and S. Kerr, A. Mills and P. Parsons, H. James and L. Harding, C. McDougall and B. Hooper. 20pr DD C'ship: won outright by S. Kerr and G. Kerr 20-20, 2nd after shoot-off W. Reade and S. Street 22-24. 15t Hcp SS: possibles shot by C. McDougall, N. Featherby, H. James, A. McChrystal.

A popular win to father and son pair Graeme and Stan Kerr in the Championship.
KORUMBURRA, 22-10-77 — Mild, 15-knot cross wind (19). 10t Hcp Pts CD: R. Thatcher, L. Mitchell 30-30, B. Harris, R. McMillan, C. Wilkinson 27-30. 15t Hcp DB: 11-15m T. Gannon 15-15, 16-25m J. Shellcot 19-20. 15t Hcp SB: 11-15m T. Gannon 17-20, 16-25m C. Wilkinson 16-16. 10t off 16m: winner take all: R. McMillan 13-13. Cake J. Chapple.

KORUMBURRA, 9-10-77 — 30-knot westerly, plus rain for the final event (15). 10t Tower Pts CD: L. Bradley 30-30, G. Roberts 27-30, C. Wilkinson 26-30. Gippsland DB Tower C'ship: J. Green 24-24, C. Wilkinson 23-24, G. Roberts 22-23. Club Skeet C'ship: L. Bradley 35-35, M. Edgar 34-35, I. Davidson 35-36. Scratch Skeet: T. Wilkinson 24, C. Wilkinson, G. Roberts 23.

Power restrictions and a clash with the final 100 targets of the S.E. Zone skeet team eliminations slashed attendance.

KORUMBURRA, 2-10-77 — Calm before storm that drenched last squad in last event (10). Scr Skeet: F. Buchan, J. Green 24, L. Bradley, G. Lee 23. Skeet Hcp: T. Gannon (+1) 25, Lee (0) 24. Skeet Hcp: 2nd Lee (0), Buchan (+1) 24, M. Edgar (0) 23. Tower, 10t DB: Bradley, Chapple, Edgar, Green, Lee 10-10.

KYNETON, 9-10-77 — Overcast and windy (42). 10t DB off Hcp: S. Habscak, L. Harrington, M. Newnham, J. McCarthy, D. Edwards, P. Tate, K. O'Meara, N. Guy 10-10. 15t Hcp: R. Clouston, J. Kerr, A. Beaton; BM G. McClure; Novice T. Dunn. Mixed Tgt C'ship: 'A' & OA G. McClure 23-25, G. Moore 41-45, B. 'B' K. O'Meara 21-25, A. Beaton 20-25; 'C' J. McCarthy 21-25, B. Pathe 19-25.

Good effort by Geoff McClure to take out Championship outright. Windy conditions kept scores low all day.

MELBOURNE, 22-10-77 — Overcast and windy (70). 20t Club Spring SB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA A. Isaac 26-26, A. Bradshaw 25-26; 'B' A. McChrystal 18-20, R. I. Hammond 21-24; 'C' L. C. Smith 19-20, L. Spinoso 19-21; 11-13m T. Walker 16-20. 20t Club Spring DB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA R. Brown 41-42, J. Irons 40-41; 'B' G. Scalise 24-25, G. Rath 27-28; 'C' L. C. Smith 23-24, L. Spinoso 23-24. 11-13m J. Tozer 21-23. Club Spring Novelty Graded C'ship: 'A' W. Henwood 24-26, K. Flentjar 21-26; 'B' & OA P. Taylor 20-20, D. Parsell; 'C' G. Iuliano 33-47, D. Whitehead 32-47. 50t Club Spring Skeet Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA R. Fox 50-50, T. Preston 48-50; 'B' R. I. Hammond 48-50, M. Whitelaw 46-50.

MELBOURNE, 15-10-77 — Fine and cool (80). 50t Lilydale Trench Graded C'ship: 'A' J. Henwood 47-50, G. Long 43-50; 'B' & OA A. Boul 49-52, N. Salameh 48-53. 20t Nth Ringwood DB Pts Graded C'ship: 'A' V. Bidstrup 73-75, J. Jenkins 57-60; 'B' R. Hansen 58-60, W. Lonie 57-60; 'C' & OA G. J. Jones 74-75, R. Henwood 58-60; 11-13m R. Shipperlee 53-60. 20t Nth Ringwood DB Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA K. Flentjar 37-37, W. Dalzell 36-37; 'B' T. Puli 34-35, R. Hansen 30-31; 'C' A. Petersen 31-32, G. J. Jones 22-23. 11-13m E. Allison 19-20. 20t Hcp: E. C. Allison 37-37, A. Heathcote 36-37, K. Calder 35-36; 22-25m R. Brown 28-30. 20t Ladies Hcp: Mrs Joan Kidd 20-20.

MELBOURNE, 8-10-77 — Fine and mild (58). 20t Club Wattle DB Pts Graded C'ship shot on trench ground: 'A' 1st & OA J. Henwood 45-60, 2nd W. Henwood 48-60; 'B' B. Batagol 48-60, C. Santalucia 47-60; 'C' A. Tallentyne 51-60, L. C. Smith 47-60. 11-13m L. Skinner 45-60. 20t Club Wattle DB Graded C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA J. Henwood 31-31, 2nd W. Abbott 75-76; 'B' G. Santalucia 30-31, L. Skinner 20-21; 'C' L. C. Smith 26-27, D. J. Franke 25-27. 11-13m A. J. Lavis 18-20. 20t Club Wattle DB Graded C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA J. Jenkins 20-24, 2nd B. Shanoley 17-22; 'B' B. Brown 19-24, N. Daymond 25-30; 'C' G. Ewert 19-26, D. Whitehead 18-26. 11-13m A. Lavis 13-20. 25t Skeet Graded C'ship: The following shooters divided the cash - G. Biggs, J. Goulden, R. Fox, E. Jackson.

MELBOURNE, 1-10-77 — Fine and cool (155). 20t Melb. Grand Graded C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA R. Morrison 56-56, 2nd N. Berry 55-56; 'B' A. McChrystal 45-46, R. Marriott 43-44; 'C' K. J. Whelan 51-52, J. Shellcot 41-42. 20t Melb. Grand Hcp: M. Missen 155-155, A. Huf 154-155, D. Missen 53-54; 20-22m B. Bockman, 23-24, 23-25m N. Berry 27-28. 20t Melb. Medley Graded C'ship: 'A' N. Berry 58-60, R. Boyce 49-50; 'B' & OA R. Ross 60-60, R. McClelland 27-30; 'C' G. Ewert 29-30, J. Shellcot 27-30. 11-13m L. Skinner 28-30. 25t Melb. Skeet Graded C'ship: 'A' N. Moore 61-61, L. Mauger 60-61; 'B' D. Suter 25-25, W. Iles 62-64; 'C' K. D. Rose 24-25, M. D. Missen 56-58. 20t Melb. Ladies C'ship: Miss K. B. Williams 20-20, Miss K. Taylor 15-20, Mrs C. Hatswell 13-20. High Gun over events 1 2 3 4: N. Berry 83-85.

MELBOURNE, 22-9-77 — Overcast and windy (85). 20t Show Day DB Pts Graded C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA W. Attwood 60-60, W. Henwood 68-69; 'B' S. Bell 59-60, M. Whitelaw 67-69; 'C' N. Salameh 57-60, M. Batson 64-69. 11-13m D. Denholm 53-60. 20t Show Day Hcp: N. Salameh 39-39, A. Huf 38-39, G. Scalise 36-37; 22-25m K. Lowry 36-37. 20t Show Day DB Graded C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA G. Long 63-63, W. Dalzell 62-63; 'B' M. Hastie 60-61, A. McChrystal 59-60; 'C' R. Lawrence 29-30, M. Demarco 28-30; 11-13m D. Denholm 20-22. 50t Show Day Skeet Graded C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA K. Lowry 50-50, 2nd R. Buchan 49-50; 'B' V. Bidstrup 47-50, M. Whitelaw 46-50. 20t Ladies Hcp: S. Lowry 20-20.

Amendment to event 3 17-9-77: 'B' 1st J. Palmer 23-24, 2nd G. Scalise 22-24.

MELBOURNE, 24-9-77 — Fine, cool wind (65). 50t Trench Graded C'ship: 'A' A. Rowe 46-50, R. McMillan 43-50; 'B' W. Henwood 46-50, S. Kulodrovic 43-50. 20t Coldstream DB Pts

Graded C'ship: 'A' & OA J. Irons 59-60, W. Henwood 57-60; 'B' G. Walker 58-60, R. Hansen 77-81; 'C' P. Cook 57-60, G. Iuliano 54-60. 11-13m A. J. Lavis 49-50. 20t Hcp: J. Irons 20-20, A. Lavis 29-30, M. Baker 38-40; 22-25m R. McMillan 17-20. 20t Club DB Graded C'ship: 'A' 1st & OA A. Heathcote 44-44, 2nd R. Boyce 43-44; 'B' A. McChrystal 39-40, A. Zarro 30-31; 'C' R. Lawrence 29-30, G. Iuliano 24-25. 11-13m D. Lawrence 23-24. 50t Club Skeet Graded C'ship: 'A' I. Hale 50-50, N. Moore 49-50; 'B' G. Natoli 48-52, Maureen Hammond 47-52.

METROPOLITAN, 8-10-77 — Fine and sunny (102). 10t EO: R. Burgess, G. Morgan, T. Dawe, R. Morrison, W. Jolly, I. Hale, E. Lobley. Preston DB C'ship: K. Dawe 71-71, A. Bradshaw 70-7, R. Morrison 53-54; 11-12m G. Petersen 19-20, 13-14m W. Jolly 22-23. Hcp 20t: G. Bernardi 45-45, F. Scotta 44-45, L. Cavallo 37-38; 22-25m G. Boyd 28-29. Presidents DD C'ship: A. Bradshaw & N. Berry 47-47, D. Jackel & G. Boyd 46-47, D. Milojevic & I. Bahr 29-30. Presidents Skeet: A. Summers 55-55, L. Mitchell 54-55, I. Hale 50-51; 2-4 C. Costa 48-50, 5-10 G. Guy 45-50. High Gun I. Hale 116-120. Best Lady in Hcp: Sharon Fenech 19-20.

METROPOLITAN, 16-10-77 — Fine (70). Kalkallo 15t Tower Pts: J. Morrell 57-57, E. Lobley 56-57, N. Mollica 48-51. Kalkallo DB C'ship: H. Weitzel 31-31, W. Iles 22-23 'A'; G. Ranalletta 30-31, L. Park 23-24 'B'; G. Ross 28-29, J. Robbins 20-21 'C' 20t Hcp: J. Finch, W. Fenech 11-15m; R. Angus, E. Petersen 16-20m; T. Spence, W. Iles 21-25. Kalkallo 25t Skeet C'ship: T. Spence 37-37, J. Morrell 36-37, R. Lane 37-39. 25t Skeet Hcp: shared R. Burgess, G. Berry, R. Angus, J. Campbell, W. Fenech, S. Fenech, R. Nevill, G. Venturi, G. Michelin, Bruce Williams.

METROPOLITAN, 22-10-77 — Fine and cool (70). 10t Pts EO: T. Spence, M. Mollica, G. White. Craigieburn SB C'ship: L. Park 19-20, M. Mollica 22-24, E. Lobley 21-24; 11-12m L. Cavallo 16-20. Craigieburn Mixed Tgts: G. White 30-35, L. Mitchell 29-35 'A'; M. Mollica 22-25, G. Mitchellini 26-35 'B'; A. McCredden 21-25, A. Tammara 20-25 'C'. Overall, M. Mollica 22-25. D.T.L. High Gun: M. Mollica 53-60, Craigieburn 50t Skeet: open T. Spence 49-50, M. Piccolo 59-60; rest: G. Ogden 49-50, J. Morrell 46-50. 15t Hcp: A. Tammara 28-29, B. Scotta 28-29, L. Cavallo 27-28; 22-25m R. Evans 12-15. Overall High Gun: M. Mollica 129-140.

MORNINGTON, 8-10-77 — Fine warm slight breeze (41). 10t Pts 16m CD: D. Kidd, S. Hansen 30-30. 30t DB Hcp: A. Bird 30-30, V. Kilkenny 29-30, R. McMillan 28-30. FM Joan Kidd 27-30; BM S. Hansen 27-31. 20t DB 16m: J. Irons 24-24, G. Matthews 23-24, C. Carrol 19-20; FM T. Joseph 18-20.

Fine conditions and the use of two traps resulted in better scores than usual.

MORWELL, 15-10-77 — Fine with strong west wind (43). 10t Hcp PD: T. Kannon, H. Klon 28-30. 15t DB Hcp (Budge Shield): R. Jennings 15-15, G. Ewert 27-28, G. Howard 26-28; FM M. Howard 16-18. 20t DB C'ship: N. Court 'C' & OA 20-20, J. White 'B' 19-20, L. Vurtis 'A' 20-21. Novelty: G. Williams.

MILDURA CLAY TARGET GUN CLUB

(Affiliated A.C.T.A.)

SATURDAY, 3rd DECEMBER
commencing at 1.30 p.m.

Event 1	15 TARGET S.S. OFF H/CAP	Nom. \$6.00
Event 2	SKREET TROPHY SHOOT	Nom. \$6.00

SATURDAY, 17th DECEMBER
commencing at 1.30 p.m.

Event 1	10 TGT DB SS OF H/CAP	Nom. \$5.00
Event 2	CLUB CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	Nom. \$8.00
Event 3	LADIES & GENTS TURKEY SHOOT	

Hon. Sec: L. G. Connors,
P.O. Box 19 Mildura 3500.
Phone: 23 2567.

ALEXANDRA GUN CLUB

Saturday, 3rd December

4 p.m. 10t E/O Hcp nom. \$2.50; 20t DB Xmas Hamper Hcp nom. \$5.00 * Lucky Targets * Xmas Tea provided by Club.
8 p.m. 30t Pts Hcp nom. \$7.50 Comm. Mark Event T/P * Refreshments Available * Country Setting - City Facilities.

Secretary: Sue McNair, Refreshments Available; Country Setting; City Facilities. Phone: (057) 742118.

BENDIGO CLAY TARGET CLUB

AFFILIATED A.C.T.A. and V.C.T.A.

PRESIDENT:

A Date to Remember — Australia Day, Jan. 30th, 1978
BENDIGO 9 a.m. start

FULL PROGRAM DETAILS IN JANUARY C.T.S.N.

SECRETARY:
BRUCE A. SANTON
385 HARGREAVES STREET
BENDIGO 3550
PHONE 43 4751

A strong westerly wind made targets very difficult. Congratulations to Reg Jennings and Norm Court on winning the two major events outright. The only two possibles shot for the day. Congratulations to Bairnsdale Gun Club for winning the 1977 Budge Shield from Morwell Gun Club in second place and congratulations to Claude Ellis from Bairnsdale G.C. for winning the Budge Shield High Gun.

RAAF POINT COOK, 16-10-77 — Dry, broken cloud, with a cold S.W. wind (27). 10t 'Mini' Tgt Pts EO: V. Bidstrup 30-30, A. Zagorc 25-30, R. Sadler, R. Toner 24-30. 20t 'Mini' Tgt DB C'ship: V. Bidstrup 20-20, R. Toner 19-20, A. Chandler 18-20. 20t 'Mini' Tgt DB Hcp: W. Hitchcock 20-21, D. Pathe 19-21, G. Quick 18-20.

A clash of dates and an apparent reluctance to shoot 'minis' cut the usual Point Cook attendance figure by half. However those shooters who did attend enjoyed a pleasant if cool afternoons' shooting. Viv Bidstrup showed that he at least was not overawed by the reduced size of the targets, with 'possibles' in events 1 and 2. This was a most impressive performance in view of the acrobatic performance by the elusive 'minis' in the infamous Point Cook wind. Wells Hitchcock won the third event after a very brief shoot-off, and the day closed with a novelty event "off the fence" which really stretched the barrels after the little "birds".

RAAF POINT COOK, 7-10-77 — Night shoot, dry and clear, but with cold S.W. wind (19). 20t DB Common Mark: S. L. Harding 19-20, A. Zagorc 18-20, R. Burgess 16-20.

The second night shoot at RAAF Point Cook proved to be a President's Benefit, with Squadron Leader Stan Harding braving the cold to take a narrow lead over Tony Zagorc. Roy Burgess was fortunate to come 3rd, with two 'Birds Only' shooters scoring 17-20! You've got to be in it to win it, fellows!

SEBASTOPOL, 16-10-77 — Good (59). Split Hcp DD: L. Francis R. Cartledge 38-38 pr, B. Bunning L. Hewitt 37-38 pr, J. Wagg K. Edmunds 33-34 pr. SB C'ship: 'A' B. Cassells 47-48, L. Brown 46-48, G. Moore 29-31. 'B' R. Clarke 31-33, J. Whelan 30-33, J. Wagg 27-30. 'C' G. McKenzie 26-30, C. McPherson 36-41, B. Milne 35-41. OA B. Cassells 47-48. Hcp: G. Cook 29-29, J. Weston 28-29, P. Verlander 26-27, 19-25m L. Brown 25-26.

Congratulations to Barry Cassells on his first outright C'ship win and Garry McKenzie on his first sash.

SEYMOUR, 9-10-77 — Fine and windy (28). 20t SB C'ship: G. Willett 19-20, J. Reynolds 30-33, G. Angus 29-33, FM K. Malvaney 17-20. 15t DB C'ship CD: O. Laffan, E. Allison, D. Moore, D. Hall, G. Angus, G. Willett all 15-15. 10t DB Wing CD: one possible only G. Willett.

Congratulations must go to Graeme Willett who missed only one target for the day which included 15 targets Hcp which he shot with ease from 25 metres and 10 targets from the wing which is 5 from the right and 5 from the left side. He missed out by one target on our jackpot now worth \$77.00.

SHEPPARTON, 2-10-77 — Showery (76). SB C'ship J. Newton 20-20, N. McPherson, L. Brown, FM: L. Cavallo. 15t Graded Hcp: OA M. Leonard 29-29, 11-15 S. Holschier, 16-18 S. Armstrong, 19-22 N. McPherson, 23-25 V. Ryant, N. Berry divided.

Congratulations to Mike Leonard winning the Gun. Mike was still smiling a week later. We would also like to thank the SEC for their power shortage as quite a few new faces turned up from Metropolitan Gun Club which was apparently closed for the day.

SWAN HILL-NYAH, 22-10-77 — Light wind (24). 10t 16m: N. Napier, K. Burton, R. Ridgeway, D. Fisher 10-10 div. Club DB C'ship: R. Ridgeway 20-20, F. James 25-26, N. Napier 24-26. 5t 16m 5t Hcp: N. Napier, R. Ridgeway 10-10 div.

SWAN HILL-NYAH, 8-10-77 — Perfect (31). 10t Tower 17 possibles div. State Tower C'ship Day: W. Iles 156-156, M. Little 155-156, L. Brown 50-51. Pioneer Country Skeet C'ship: M. Little 25-25, L. Brown 28-29, H. Mitchell 25-27.

TATURA, 16-10-77 — Fine, cool (40). 10t EO DB: divided 11 shooters. Tatura & Dir' WU C'ship: G. Willett 23-25, A. Kriss 22-25, Neil McPherson 17-25; FM D. Monihan 11-20. 15t Trophy Hcp DB: G. Bennett 27-27, R. Piasiri 26-27, J. Honeysett 21-22.

TOOLONGO, 2-10-77 — Wet (32). S.W. Zone SB C'ship 20t 16m: OA & 'A' T. Nash 23-23, K. Miller 22-23; 'B' J. Bull 19-20, R. Pitt 18-20; 'C' C. Williams 21-23, R. Scott 20-23. 10t Hcp SS: divided between P. Clegget, J. Bull, T. Foster, C. Williams, R. Pitt, D. Harris, D. Foster, G. Smith, J. Gawith, E. Pitt, G. Rees 10-10. 5pr DR SS: B. Papst 10-10, equal 2nd R. Scott, R. Pitt, S. Chandler 9-10.

Club pleased with performance of its new trap used first time to run S.W. Zone SB C'ship, won by T. Nash who shot very well with 23-23 under very wet conditions.

WARRACKNABEAL, 22-10-77 — Fine and warm (101). \$1500 Graded Event: 'A' & OA R. Newell (W'beal) 180-180 won SKB-600 Trap, 'B' R. Young (Callawadda) 72-73 won Winchester Mod 91 O/U, 'C' O. Martelli (Geelong) 32-33 won Winchester Mod 91 O/U; 2nd 'A' T. Scott (Horsham) 179-180 IMI SB shotgun, 2nd 'B' C. Budde (Horsham) 36-37 IMI SB shotgun, 2nd 'C' T. Elkins (Mildura) 31-33 IMI SB shotgun. Wimmera DB Pts C'ship: 'B' & OA P. Scott (Callawadda) 75-75, 2nd 'B' J. Wagg (Kaniva) 59-60; 'A' J. Hinneberg (Horsham) 74-75, J. Finis (Mildura) 72-75; 'C' O. Martelli (Geelong) 58-58, J. Witney (W'beal) 62-66. Ladies event: P. Clark 53-60.

Congratulations to shooters Heatherington (75) Young (50) Scott (75) and Newell (200) who all gained break badges. The six guns proved to be a popular event with not many possibles scored. No. C Graders made the possible and the 19s got in, with most of the shooters kicking themselves. Special thanks to all who helped referee and score on the day. At the end of the day the club Jackpot stood at \$54.60. John Hinneberg (Horsham) and Phil Scott (Callawadda) divided the amount.

WARRNAMBOOL, 8-10-77 — Fine. Club DR C'ship: M. Greene 19-20, A. Flack 21-24, M. Sullivan 20-24. 15t Hcp: 6 prizes: N. Payton, G. Van Dooren, J. Lucas, M. Green, B. Thatcher, A. Flack. Congratulations to Max Greene on his first Championship.

WERRIBEE, 23-10-77 — Fine (61). 10t Pts: H. Eldridge 30-30, A. McChrystal 30-30, A. Bradshaw 30-30, K. Whelan 30-30, A. Ford 30-30. 20t "Chirnside DB Graded C'ship": 'A' & OA K. Calder 73-73, 'B' B. Hopper 38-39, 'C' L. Cavallo 19-20. 20t "Chirnside SB Graded C'ship": 'A' & OA H. Eldridge 20-20, 'B' B. Hopper 22-24, 'C' S. Harding 19-20.

WERRIBEE, 10-10-77 — Fine and windy (101). \$500 Grand Prix Hcp: 11-13 F. Hills 51-52, 20-22 D. Milojevic 30-31, 14-16 A. McCrystal 52-53, 23-25 B. Williams 22-23, 17-19 R. Light 39-40; OA winner T. Holly 53-53. Westland Toyota DB C'ship: 'A' & OA A. Bradshaw 78-78, H. Eldridge 77-78, R. Coombes 76-77; 'B' J. Napoli 55-56, R. Clarke 32-33, R. Light 22-23; 'C' D. Martelli 28-29, G. Coupar 27-29, R. McGreehan 21-23.

WOODS POINT, 23-10-77 — Fine and sunny (23). 5t EO Pts: R. Martyn, A. Hyde 15-15. 10t DB Hcp: 13-14m S. Rivas 12-14, 11-12m A. Szeffy 10-10, 15-25m J. Wood 22-22. 20t DB 16m Presidents Trophy: B. Kirkwood 19-20, J. Wood 19-21, A. Szeffy 18-21; FM A. Szeffy 18-21. 10t Novelty: V. Howell 7-10, P. Shahin 11-15, D. Rosenheim 10-15.

Fine and sunny day complimented the first shoot at which our new clubrooms were in use (full use) to further make the opening of our new club room. A big day, it happened to be the President's Trophy Shoot which was strongly competed for.

KERANG **CLAY TARGET CLUB** **Monday 26th December, 1977** **at 1 p.m.**

Event 1	15 TARGET HANDICAP TROPHY 1st \$50 Trophy, 2nd \$20 trophy, 3rd \$10 Trophy.	Nom. \$5.50
Event 2	20 TARGET NORTHERN DISTRICT SINGLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$5.00
Event 3	20 TARGET NORTHERN DISTRICT DOUBLE BARREL CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$5.00
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Event 4	10 TARGET PTS DECISION E/O	Nom. \$3.00
Event 5	20 TARGET NORTH WEST ZONE PTS DECISION CHAMPIONSHIP	Nom. \$5.00

Optional Sweeps on events 1 2 3 and 5.
HIGH GUN over events 1 2 3 and 5 (Kills to count)
Club reserves right to alter program if necessary.

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AROUND THE TRAPS (from Laurie Connors)

Sunday, 3rd October, 1977

FOUR-WAY SHOOT: Every year an inter club competition is organised by all the shooting clubs in the Mildura district.

The occasion is the social event of the year among the shooting fraternity here and gives the shooting sportsman the opportunity to test his skill with the different types of weapons used in the various sports, and to get to know his fellow sportsmen. As well as the annual shield for the best club result, individual trophies are provided for first, second and third highest scores. All scores are counted on a percentage basis, so no shooter is left out of the competition, regardless of the number shooting for a particular club.

Eighty shooters along with their wives and families journeyed to the various clubs this year, where on arrival officials were ready to show and assist competitors on the safety and use of the particular type of gun or pistol used at that club for sport. A total of eight clubs were represented. The pistol club, small bore rifle and big bore rifle clubs are situated on the one ground, so it is here where the action takes place at 9 a.m. in the morning, continuing through till 6 p.m.

After all disciplines are shot here a barbecue lunch is provided and then it is off to the Mildura Clay Target Gun Club, to complete the programs with refreshments and evening meal being provided there to wind up the show till next year.

After final calculations, Mildura Big Bore Rifle Club took out the team event, beating last years winners, Mildura Clay Target Gun Club by six points, who finished second.

The individual trophy was won by Kurt Schultz, Mildura Pistol Club 210/300, 2nd Andrew Heaysman, Mildura Rifle Club and equal 3rd Geoff Izard, Mildura Clay Target Gun Club and Peter Heaysman, Mildura Small Bore Rifle Club 180/300.

Saturday, 8th October, 1977

Sunday, 9th October, 1977

Along with many other shooters I journeyed across the border into the State of South Australia to participate in the S.A. State Trench Championship held at the International Gun Club, S.A.

There is no doubt the club is worthy of its name and has for its majority of workers and members, colourful gentlemen with a strong international background. This makes them unique in their own way and I believe this is where they attained the name of their club.

AROUND THE TRAPS Cont'd

A gentleman by the name of Metro Martini is the Club's President, and he is ably supported in club members and fellow shooters with names like Dario Pannazolo, Claudio Verbis, Paul Aromotaris, Peter Marconi, Arti Dalle-Molle, Dino Oliviero, Speedy Stamarious, and many others, all a great bunch of guys. To add to this list, they have as supporters and keen shotgun enthusiasts, people we all know like Pat Browne from Australian Shooters' Journal, Barry Arnott (ex Victorian, and Australian Gun Club President), Rob Baker, Ernie Evans, just to name a few.

The Club itself is situated in a natural bush setting amongst some high red river gums and makes for an ideal spot to establish a gun club. Their trench installation is a credit to them. The hospitality extended to all visitors alike was unbelievable, and helped create a great atmosphere.

On Friday, and in conjunction with the trench, an IMI graded event was shot on D.T.L. Ernie Evans who was having difficulty in walking after having sprained his ankle the day before the shoot, took out A grade, his score 46/46. Bill Moritz captured B grade, with 25/25, and Alf Tosolin C grade, 24/25. In the Fisher Firearms Handicap, Peter Jennings was first with 20/20, second Ray Schleter 19/20 and third Jim Sumner 18/19. Commonwealth Point Score Championship saw Peter Telford take out A grade and overall. Claudio Verbis B grade and Paul Aromotaris C grade.

A D.T.L. team event between Mildura and International Gun Clubs was conducted and Mildura defeated their hosts by one target.

The results of a well organised State Trench Championship after a "cliff hanger" shoot-off was A grade and Overall Jim Finis, Mildura 111/125, B grade Roger Schleter 131/150 and C grade Keith Dyson, 78/100.

At the completion of the program and during the presentation of trophies, a barbecue along with refreshments was provided and lent a fitting end to a most enjoyable weekend of shooting.

Monday, 10th October, 1977

Whilst I was in Adelaide, and at the request of the A.C.T.A. Executive, I took the opportunity of endeavouring to find a suitable premises whereby, at the completion of the Nationals in Adelaide 1978, we could gather and enjoy the company of the many friends we make and meet at our shooting championships. Also, we can sing our praises to our National Champions.

Several places inspected have excellent potential, and will be submitted to the Executive for their endorsement and approval. You will read more of this in later editions of Shooting News when all is finalised. It looks to be a night you and your friends won't want to miss.

Friday, 14th October, 1977

Saturday, 15th October, 1977

Sunday, 16th October, 1977

Under ideal weather conditions the first Victorian State Skeet Carnival was conducted on this weekend by the Victorian State Association.

It was an excellent carnival and the results are reported elsewhere in this issue.

My gratitude and congratulations to those who gave their unrewarded energies (financially, that is!) to this tournament to help make it such a success.

Monday, 17th October, 1977

My trip home from Wangaratta took me via Melbourne to attend to Executive Sub-committee business with the National President and Secretary.

Whilst in Melbourne I gave Gordon Morgan, the President of the new Frankston-Australian Gun Club, a ring to inquire how their new venture was going. Gordon requested I come out with him to their shooting complex and have a look for myself. I was extremely impressed with what is taking shape in club rooms and shooting facilities. The Committee and members of this club with enthusiasm and vigor are bringing to reality what most shooters dream about. Melbourne will be fortunate in having three gun clubs, notably Metropolitan, Melbourne and Frankston-Australian providing facilities of a high standard for shooters and their families.



Mildura rifle club members displaying the guns they used to win the 1977 four way shoot conducted against all district clubs in Mildura on 3rd October, 1977 — From left to right: Peter Viney holding pistol, Keith McKechnie holding .303 rifle, John Nelson, John Jack with annual shield, John Davidson holding 12-G shotgun, and Andrew Heaysman Smallbore rifle.

Saturday, 22nd October, 1977

Warracknabeal Gun Club conducted their annual gun shoot on this day.

Weather conditions were perfect for shooters to shoot big scores, and in the major handicap Ron Newell, Warracknabeal, was pushed by Terry Scott, Horsham, to 180/180 to win A grade and overall. Russell Young, Callawadda, took B grade 72/73. Otello Martelli captured C grade with a score of 32/33.

Ron Newell went on to shoot his first 200 straight. Congratulations Ron.

The second event was the Wimmera Points Graded Championship and the overall winner was B grade Philip Scott, Callawadda, 75/75. A grade John Henneberg, Horsham 74/75, C grade Otello Martelli 58/60. The ladies trophy was won by Pauline Clark wife of the Warracknabeal secretary, John Clark. Believe it or not, rumour has it that because Pauline is so slim, John loads her cartridges with Johnson's Baby Powder to cushion the recoil.

See you where there is shooting.

LAURIE CONNORS,
North West Zone Victorian Executive.

South-Western Vic. Schools' Match

Winchester (Aust.) Pty. Ltd. conducted the Annual South-Western Victorian Schoolboys Clay Target Shoot at Cobden Gun Club on the 14th September, 1977.

One hundred students from seven district schools competed for championship honours and trophies provided by Winchester.

Results: Senior teams event won by Terang High - 32/50. Junior teams event won by Warrnambool High - 35/50. Senior High Gun won by R. Mitchell, Cobden - 10/10. Junior High Gun won by I. Gill, Colac - 10/10. Girls High Gun won by P. Chisholm, Camperdown.

Mr Mark Little of Winchester (Aust.) was in attendance and presented the trophies. The shoot was in charge of Mr S. Mitchell of Cobden Gun Club.

Thanks to the members of Cobden Gun Club, teachers of the district schools for their assistance and to the ladies who provided meals throughout the day.

(Cobden Gun Club Publicity Officer).



Pat Chisholm of Camperdown High School (right) is presented with the Girls' High Gun Award by Winchester's Mark Little.



Enthusiasm PLUS! A group of successful students with Mark Little (third from left) and Stuart Mitchell (right).
— Photos by courtesy of Joe Collins.

SOME BASICS OF SHOTGUN SHOOTING (Part I)

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(1) There is a tendency to lift one's head from the comb because your neck is under strain.

(2) You have to adopt an unnatural eye position by rolling them upwards and because your eyes are in a strained position they become tired and this creates a tendency to develop the fault explained in No. 1.

Also rolling the eyes upwards as you have to do if you adopt a low butt position on the shoulder, tends to restrict your vision and vision is all important in shooting.

Most good shots will tell you that they would gladly use four eyes if they had them.

To place the butt correctly on the shoulder the following procedure should be adopted.

1. Stand in the position as stated in the article on Stance and hold the gun in both hands, the butt being about waist level and the muzzle held outwards just above eye-level.

2. Bring your shoulder slightly forward raising it a little at the same time, then bring the gun butt upwards and place it inside the shoulder under the face. If the butt is placed out on the shoulder-bone or upper arm, there is a great tendency to swing the gun away from or under the face, using the arms only as the medium of movement whereas the whole body should turn towards the shot from the hips and knees.

It will be found that with experience the hand on the forend will be raised still further using it as a balance point at approx. chin level or above.

3. Hold the forend in the hand — do not extend your arm and grip the front of it; a good place to hold it is just forward of centre.

Holding the forend too far out creates two problems:

(a) The extended hold being too far from the balance point of the gun (usually found in the vicinity of the hinge pin) slows your movement down.

(b) Places you side on to the stock (if you lift your head you are looking across it) causing you to put your head forward and down turning it at the same time to "check" the comb and look down the rib. This fault can cause the cheekbone to become bruised, due to the upward camming action of the stock when the gun is fired.

The importance of both holding and placing a gun on the shoulder correctly cannot be stressed enough and this in conjunction with correct hand position provides the basics of efficient use of the shotgun.

When placing the gun to the cheek care must be taken that the cheekbone itself does not rest on the comb as bruising can result. It is usual to pick up a little cheek-flesh as the gun comes up — this comes from the cheek and acts as padding under the cheek bone.

SHOOTING METHOD — SWING LEAD ETC.

A shotgun is made to shoot at moving objects and because of the time factors involved, pulling the trigger, cap detonation, powder ignition and the expansion of liberated gases, time up the barrel and out to the target of the shot charge, it has to be aimed in front of any moving object, if a hit is to be achieved.

This requirement is called lead or forward allowance, and this can be aimed at in three different ways, these being set out below in order of proficiency.

1. SWING THROUGH

This method if practised gives the best result as the target is used as a reference point when pulling the trigger.

The gun muzzle is started from behind the target and swings through it, the trigger being pressed the moment the muzzle reaches it, care must be taken here that the swing is not checked as the target is passed.

There are two simple ways of describing this method.

(i) Try and hit your target with the gun muzzle and maintain your swing.

(ii) Imagine you are using a paintbrush using sweeping strokes.

2. POINTING OUT OR SUSTAINED LEAD

In this case the shooter passes his gun muzzle through the target and when he or she has reached what they think is the lead required in front of it, maintain this and pull the trigger. Here again care must be taken to see that the swing of the muzzle remains unchecked as the trigger is pulled.

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Editor's MAILBOX

Dear Noel,

I enjoy Pat Browne's articles and appreciate his experience and ability in the shooting field.

However I disagree with his suggestion in October issue of CTSN that normal sized primers be used early in the life of a new shell and have oversize primers to fall back on when the primer pocket becomes enlarged. In my experience I have found that the primer pocket seldom becomes enlarged. It is more likely that the crimp will deteriorate before this happens or the shell becomes unusable in other ways.

I have had two most unhappy experiences with oversize primers which leaves me "dead set" against them.

On one occasion I loaded 300 shells with oversize primers that had been inadvertently sold to me as standard primers. Imagine the problems when those empties were mixed with about 1500 other empty cases.

And on the other occasion I "collected" used shells at the gun club and after throwing them in with other used cases did not find out they had been primed with oversize primers until I started re-loading. Some 12 months later I was still finding the odd shell with oversize primers. In my opinion manufacturers could easily do away with them.

I would also like to ask Pat to comment on the quality of locally produced plastic shells.

When I started re-loading, one could get 8 to 10 reloads for the one shell. These days, "once fired shells" are often unfit for re-loading. All shooters at some time have to buy new shells, but without the benefit of re-loading, I'm certain the sport generally would suffer.

The article "one mans opinion" reproduced in last months issue made significant comment about the lack of contribution by industry to shooting. Any company that was prepared to genuinely cater for the re-loader by producing a shell that would give at least a reasonable number of re-loads would not only be contributing to the sport, but would also gain the whole-hearted support of a large percentage of re-loaders.

Yours sincerely,
GEOFF CLARKE.

Newcastle Gun Club,
Adamstown Hts.,
NEWCASTLE

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed photograph and newspaper clipping from the "Newcastle Sun" printed 28/9/77.

It's of a small program we have going at present, to help anybody learn the safe handling of firearms. We are not so much interested in the gaining of new members (but if this does come about, well and good). We know other clubs have junior programs going, which is very good, but this is not enough.

If more clubs were to take on more community projects, instead of just thinking of themselves, maybe the shooting scene would improve, as far as the general public is concerned.

We would like to thank the people who helped sponsor our first day. They are namely Hunter Sports Store of Mayfield, Mr Wal Maryska, Mr R. Tickle and Mr Fred Krohn who so kindly lent his guns for the day. Without these people we wouldn't have had the success that we had.

Many thanks to everyone from the Club.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgn) W. SENIOR,
Publicity Officer.



Picture shows, from left, Instructor Wal Senior with group of trainees.

—Photo by courtesy of Newcastle Sun.

Editor's MAILBOX

Dear Sir,

On behalf of Echuca High School Gun Club, I would like to thank you for your prompt reply to our request for funds.

I can assure you that we will take the appropriate steps to ensure that we will be near the top of the list for next year.

After reading "Shooters News" each month, I feel obligated to my students to forward photos of our shooters which I hope you will publish in the "News".

After the IMI Regional School Boys and Girls shoot at Bendigo, I was one of the proudest teachers there, considering 210 competitors. Echuca High Schools efforts consisted of 2 shooters in the regional team, Best Old Boys, Best Girl Shooter and equal 3rd in the School Teams Event.

I must point out that none of this would be possible, if it wasn't for the Echuca Gun Club. They have supported school shooting for students from Echuca, Kyabram, Rochester for the past 4 years. Many thanks and appreciation, Echuca Gun Club.

Thanking you, Yours faithfully,

RON SHEEN, E.H.S.

Dear Noel,

At a recent shoot handicap cards were called in for checking and stamping. Most shooters were found to be keeping an accurate record of both common mark and handicap shooting — a small percentage were found to be keeping an inaccurate record either through bad adding or sparse accounts of their shooting.

All cards that needed correction were attended to on the spot and complaints ran rife. After much heated discussion the shooters were reclassified. One shooter was found to have an average percentage of 95% since the start of the year and had not been reclassified at all, when approached he could not see himself an A Grade shooter. I had been given information from other secretaries and shooters that he had a very notable record in his grade for the past month or so. He had apparently been getting away with it until approached at our Club. The main fault of this case lies in the hands of the Secretaries of the clubs at which he has been winning, it only takes a few seconds to check cards and stamp them.

I feel if this is going to carry on, Graded Shooting is not worth a cold crummet (to use a mild term). At all shoots pertaining to Common Mark all cards should be stamped and checked, especially winners and placegetters.

The system is working quite well in this area, although a couple of clubs had to be reminded and are now getting with it. It is not just good enough in this area, it's got to be Australia wide, therefore, I urge all handicappers and Secretaries to pull a little harder and protect the honest shooter.

If any Secretary is overworked in the office during the shoot a Club official can be used for the purpose. It is a very simple system and doesn't take much effort in stamping and checking the percentage. All members of this club are capable and likely to be called to the office for checking etc of the cards during a shoot when the pressure is on.

Yours faithfully,

J. T. CLARK,

N.W. Zone Delegate, V.C.T.A.

Secretary Warracknabeal Gun Club.

(ED. NOTE: This is straight from "the horse's mouth" — the first time we have seen encouragement from a CLUB SECRETARY for maintenance of cards. It will work! N.J.S.)

Dear Mr Southey,

I am writing with regard to an incident which occurred at the Gun Club on 1st October, 1977.

A shooter, when nominating, was listed in the score book as 22 metres graded A. This shooter made the championship shoot-off which was graded. When the shooter's score was checked after completion, this shooter had had the scorer change his grade to "B".

When the club secretary asked this shooter for his handicap card, he produced a 1977 current card which had "B" but no entries for the current year. We, at the club, knew for a fact this shooter had been shooting twice within the past fortnight.

We conferred with a current referee, and knowing of this shooter's ability, we had no alternative but to regrade this shooter to A grade. Therefore, this shooter forfeited all rights to the B grade trophy and ribbon which he had won.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY, GUN CLUB.

(Ed. Note: If all Clubs could show this enthusiasm and concern for the rules of shooting, graded shooting will work!)

CHAMPIONSHIP ALLOCATIONS

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Double Rise	Darwin
Deauville Doubles	Alice Springs
Mixed Targets	Alice Springs
Walk Up	Katherine
STATE NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS	
Double Barrel	Alice Springs
Single Barrel	Alice Springs
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS	
STATE DAY STANDARD TARGETS	
Trench	International
Tower	S.A.G.C.
Double Barrel	S.A.G.C.
Single Barrel	Mt. Gambier
Points Score	Whyalga
Deauville Doubles	Bordertown
Mixed Targets	Mannam
Walk Up	Southern
Double Rise	Alexandra
Skeet	S.A.G.C.
Continental	S.A.G.C.
I.S.U. Skeet	S.A.G.C.
STATE NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS	
Double Barrel	S.A.G.C.
Single Barrel	Mt. Gambier
Continental	Pt. Augusta
Double Rise	S.A.G.C.
Deauville Doubles	S.A.G.C.
STATE DAY MINI TARGETS	
Double Barrel	Barmora

"Nargoondy Park" Notable

Shooting is fortunate in that it has so many "identities" as participants. One such identity is Robert "Jorgy" Jorgensen of Portarlington in Victoria. "Jorgy" has been running the Portarlington Clay Target Club at "Nargoondy Park" for over 50 years and is still as strong as ever.

Portarlington is a small holiday village on the Bellarine Peninsula, which forms the southern side of Corio Bay. The town is slightly over 100 kilometres from Melbourne and this distance is covered very comfortably on excellent highway.

Traditionally, Portarlington Gun Club holds a series of major programs at Christmas and Easter. Because of the location of the Club, clay-busters on holiday help to swell attendances and it is not unusual to find over 100 competitors at a match. Some of the well-known names to be in attendance regularly include Ken Lowry, Dick Toner, Andy Tie, Brian Mark, Bob Hardy and so it goes on.

However, the main attraction at the Club is not so much its location — it is the colorful character who runs it. Bob Jorgensen is a real "rough diamond" and a hell of a nice guy. His life story would cover many pages and would include some very funny and one or two rather tragic anecdotes. His is a self-made Aussie who has made a "comfortable" living from rabbit trapping. He and his wife worked as a team during the tough 30's and still found time to raise a family, all of whom are now settled in businesses of their own. (To prove the old story "like father like son!" Robert Junior is a professional shooter, and until recently, operated in Western N.S.W. Robert is now also shooting foxes in Western Victoria.)

"Jorgy" was one of the main "agitators" for the introduction of a Veterans' Section in National Championships, and is a very happy man knowing that in 1978, such a section will be introduced.

In recent years, he has cashed in on the tremendous demand for fox skins and has hunted foxes extensively in areas west of Horsham in Victoria. Mrs Jorgensen still plays a very important part in the "business".

During the Christmas and New Year Holiday period, Portarlington Clay Target Club will hold its 37th Annual Holiday Carnival — will YOU be there?



Robert Jorgensen (Jnr) with a small part of the season's "crop".

AUSTRALIAN CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION

1978 Shooter's Annual Registration

and

Club Membership Application

PLEASE USE YOUR MEMBERSHIP NUMBER
YOUR 1977 CARD **MUST** BE HANDED TO CLUB SECRETARY
WITH THIS APPLICATION

*Registered Number Surname

Christian Names

Present Address:

Old Address (if changed):

.....

.....

..... Postcode Postcode

Telephone Number Age (if under 18 years)

Shooter's Licence Number (if applicable)

My existing (or last recorded) shooting details are:

Australian Common Mark 16 Metres Class	=	(SHOW WHETHER) (A, B or C.)
Australian Down-the-Line Trap Handicap	=	(SHOW ACTUAL METRE) (WITHIN 11 TO 25 METRES)
Australian Skeet Handicap	=	(SHOW FIGURE RATING) (WITHIN 1 to 10)
I.S.U. Trench Grading	=	(SHOW WHETHER) (AA, A, B or C)
I.S.U. Skeet Grading	=	(SHOW FIGURE RATING) (WITHIN 1 to 10)

I hereby apply for membership of Gun Club
and A.C.T.A. Registration for the year ending 31st December, 19..... and attach hereto the following fees:

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP	CLUB RECEIPT No.	AMOUNT PAID \$
Club Life Member
Club Full Member
A.C.T.A. Annual Registration:		
\$15.00 Adult Fee
\$15.00 Junior Fee (if "Shooting News" required)
\$1.00 Junior (if no "Shooting News" required)
\$8.00 for the second and successive adult family members not requiring "Shooting News"
\$10.00 Subscription to "Clay Target Shooting News"
TOTAL HEREWITH BY CASH/CHEQUE

Signature Date

Proposer Secondar

*This number is vitally important and will be found after "M/N" on label on 1977 card.
This form is NOT required by ACTA National Office — it belongs to the CLUB.

1978 A.C.T.A. Championships Allocations

1978 INTERSTATE TRAP TEAM'S MATCH (D.T.L.)

NEW SOUTH WALES	WEST WYALONG
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	PERTH
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	
TASMANIA	TASMANIAN
VICTORIA	BENDIGO C.T.C.
QUEENSLAND	BALLANDEAN
NORTHERN TERRITORY	KATHERINE

1978 INTERSTATE SKEET TEAMS' MATCH

WESTERN AUSTRALIA	PERTH
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	
TASMANIA	HOBART 28th & 29th Oct.
VICTORIA	MELBOURNE
NEW SOUTH WALES	HAWKESBURY
QUEENSLAND	TOWNSVILLE
NORTHERN TERRITORY	DARWIN

1978 I.S.U. TRAP TEAMS' MATCH

NEW SOUTH WALES	TAREE-WINGHAM
QUEENSLAND	BRISBANE
TASMANIA	HOBART 11th Nov.
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	CUNDERDIN
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	INTERNATIONAL
VICTORIA	MELBOURNE

1978 I.S.U. SKEET TEAMS' MATCH

NEW SOUTH WALES	N.A.
TASMANIA	HOBART 9th Sept.
QUEENSLAND	
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	
VICTORIA	

COMMONWEALTH DAY STANDARD TARGETS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Double Barrel (W.A.)	Northam
Single Barrel (NSW)	Guyra
Deauville Doubles (NSW)	Royal Aero
Double Rise (SA)	S.A.G.C.
Mixed Targets (Q)	St. George
Walk Up (Tas)	North Eastern
Skeet (Vic)	To be advised
Tower (WA)	Leonora
Cont. DB (Vic)	Hamilton
Points Score DB (Tas)	Cressy
I.S.U. Single Trap (SA)	Not required
I.S.U. Skeet (Q'ld)	Toowoomba
Tower Points Score	To be advised
Tower Single Barrel	To be advised
Tower Double Rise	To be advised
Cont. Single Barrel	To be advised
Veterans DB (Q'ld)	Gold Coast
Ladies Double Barrel	Northam

COMMONWEALTH NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Double Barrel (NSW)	Griffith
Single Barrel (Vic) (SE Zone)	Metropolitan
Deauville Doubles (Vic)	Kerang
Double Rise (Tas)	Hobart
Mixed Targets (SA)	S.A.G.C.
Walk Up (WA)	Leonora
Skeet (Q'ld)	Burdekin
Tower (NSW)	Parkes
Points Score DB (WA)	Esperance
Cont. DB (Q'ld)	Sih. Burnett

COMMONWEALTH DAY MINI TARGET CHAMPIONSHIP

Double Barrel (SA)	S.A.G.C.
Single Barrel (Tas)	To be advised
Deauville Doubles (Tas)	To be advised
Double Rise (Vic)	Maryborough
Mixed Targets (NSW)	N.S.W.
Walk Up (Q'ld)	To be advised
Skeet (WA)	Not required
Tower (SA)	To be advised
Cont. DB (WA)	Not required
Points Score DB (Q'ld)	Chinchilla

COMMONWEALTH NIGHT MINI TARGET CHAMPIONSHIPS

Double Barrel (Tas)	To be advised
Single Barrel (WA)	Not required
Deauville Doubles (WA)	Not required
Double Rise (Q'ld)	To be advised
Mixed Targets (Vic)	To be advised
Walk Up (SA)	To be advised
Skeet (NSW)	N.S.W.
Tower (Tas)	To be advised
Cont. DB (NSW)	Upper Hunter
Points Score DB (SA)	Not required

QUEENSLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

STATE DAY STANDARD TARGETS	
Double Barrel	Mundubbera
Double Barrel Points	Cunnamulla
Single Barrel	Murgon
D. Barrel Continental	Dalby
S. Barrel Continental	Mt. Isa
D.B. Points Continental	Warwick
Walk Up	Rockhampton
Deauville Doubles	Brisbane
Double Rise	Dysart
Mixed Targets	Sunshine Coast
Skeet	Brisbane
I.S.U. Skeet	Townsville
Trench	Townsville
Tower D.B.	Burdekin
Tower S.B.	Herbert River

STATE NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS

Double Barrel	Wandoan
Double Barrel Points	Silkwood
Single Barrel	Cairns
D.B. Continental	Mackay
S.B. Continental	Ravenshoe
D.B. Cont. Points	Barcaldine
Walk Up	Charters Towers
Deauville Doubles	Richmond
Double Rise	Ipswich
Mixed Targets	Tungahwah
Skeet	Ipswich
Tower D.B.	Gympie
Tower S.B.	Gympie

INTERSTATE TRAP TEAMS' MATCH BALLANDEAN INTERSTATE SKEET TEAMS' MATCH TOWNSVILLE INTERSTATE I.S.U. TRAP TEAMS MATCH BRISBANE TASMANIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

STATE DAY STANDARD TARGETS

Double Barrel	Mersey
Single Barrel	Tasmanian
Points Score	Tasmanian
Continental D.B.	Rosebery
Mixed Targets	Bothwell
Deauville Doubles	St. Helens
Double Rise	Burnie
I.S.U. Trench	Hobart 11th Nov.
I.S.U. Skeet	Hobart 9th Sept.
Skeet	Hobart 28th & 29th Oct.
Tower D.B.	Huonville
Tower S.B.	Huonville
Tower Points Score	Huonville

STATE NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS

Double Barrel	Cressy
Single Barrel	Hobart 13th May
Points Score	Hobart 8th April
Double Rise	Hobart 8th April
Deauville Doubles	Huonville
Continental D.B.	North Eastern

NEW SOUTH WALES CHAMPIONSHIPS

INTERSTATE TRAP TEAMS' MATCH WEST WYALONG INTERSTATE SKEET TEAMS MATCH HAWKESBURY INTERSTATE ISU TRAP TEAMS' MATCH TAREE-WINGHAM INTERSTATE ISU SKEET TEAMS MATCH N.A.

STATE DAY — STANDARD TARGETS

Double Barrel	West Wyalong
Single Barrel	West Wyalong
Point Score	Parkes
Mixed Targets	Cobar
Double Rise	Newcastle
Deauville Doubles	Grenfell
Walk Up	Wymong
Double Barrel Continental	Moree
Single Barrel Continental	Cundobolin
Points Score Continental	Queanbeyan-Camberra
Double Barrel Tower	N.A.
Single Barrel Tower	Parkes
ISU Trap (Olympic)	Taree-Wingham
ISU Trap (Universal)	Wagga
Skeet	Hawkesbury
ISU Skeet	N.A.

STATE NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS

Double Barrel	Goulburn
Single Barrel	N.S.W.
Points Score	Hay
Mixed Targets	Wagga
Double Rise	Parkes
Deauville Doubles	Marconi
Walk Up	N.A.
D.B. Continental	Brewarrina
S.B. Continental	Narrandera
Points Score Continental	Upper Hunter
Double Barrel Tower	Coffs Harbour
Single Barrel Tower	Parkes
Double Rise Tower	N.A.
Skeet	Yamba

STATE DAY MINI TARGETS

Double Barrel	Dubbo
Single Barrel	N.A.
Points Score	Upper Hunter
Mixed Targets	Upper Hunter
Double Rise	N.A.
Deauville Doubles	N.A.
Double Barrel Continental	Finley
Single Barrel Continental	Cundobolin
Points Score Continental	N.A.
Double Barrel Tower	N.A.
Single Barrel Tower	N.A.
Double Rise Tower	N.A.
Skeet	Broken Hill

STATE NIGHT MINI TARGETS

Double Barrel	N.A.
Single Barrel	Upper Hunter
Points Score	Broken Hill
Mixed Targets	Gundooaga
Double Rise	N.A.
Deauville Doubles	N.A.
Walk Up	N.A.
Double Barrel Continental	N.A.
Single Barrel Continental	N.A.
Points Score Continental	Newcastle
Double Barrel Tower	N.A.
Single Barrel Tower	N.A.
Double Rise Tower	N.A.

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Skeet	N.A.
ELEY WARATAH STATE CLASSIC	
Central Division	Wyong
North Western Division	Broken Hill
Western Division	Parkes
Southern Division	Sutton Forest
Northern Division	Coffs Harbour
Riverina Division	Junee
SOUTHERN ZONE STANDARD TARGET — DAY	
Double Barrel	Berridale
Single Barrel	Illawarra
Points Score	Queanbeyan/Canberra
Double Rise	Marconi
Deauville Doubles	Sydney
Walk Up	Royal Aero
Mixed Targets	A.C.T. International
Double Barrel Continental	Bungendore
Single Barrel Continental	N.S.W.
Points Score Continental	Hawkesbury
Skeet	N.S.W.
I.S.U. Skeet	A.C.T. International
I.S.U. Trap	N.S.W.
SOUTHERN ZONE STANDARD TARGET — NIGHT	
Double Barrel	Sydney
Single Barrel	Goulburn
Points Score	N.S.W.
Double Rise	Queanbeyan/Canberra
Deauville Doubles	Marconi
Walk-Up Goulburn	
Mixed Targets	N.S.W.
Double Barrel Continental	Hawkesbury
Single Barrel Continental	Hawkesbury
Points Score Continental	Queanbeyan/Canberra
Skeet	Hawkesbury
SOUTHERN ZONE TRAP TEAM ELIMINATION GOULBURN	
SOUTHERN ZONE SKEET TEAM ELIMINATION N.S.W.	
NORTHERN ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS STANDARD TARGET — DAY	
Double Barrel	Tamworth
Single Barrel	Tamworth
Points Score	Dorrigo
Double Rise	Coffs Harbour
Deauville Doubles	Guysra
Walk Up	Upper Hunter
Mixed Targets	Newcastle
Double Barrel Continental	Wyong
Single Barrel Continental	Guysra
Points Score Continental	Newcastle
Skeet	Taree-Wingham
Double Barrel Tower	Taree-Wingham
Single Barrel Tower	Taree-Wingham
Points Score Tower	Taree-Wingham
Double Rise Tower	Narrabri
ISU Trap	Taree-Wingham
ISU Trap	N.A.
NORTHERN ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS STANDARD TARGET — NIGHT	
Double Barrel	Coffs Harbour
Single Barrel	Newcastle
Points Score	Coffs Harbour
Double Rise	Upper Hunter
Deauville Doubles	Newcastle
Walk Up	Upper Hunter
Mixed Targets	Newcastle
Double Barrel Cont.	Newcastle
Single Barrel Cont.	Upper Hunter
Points Score Cont.	Upper Hunter
Skeet	Coffs Harbour
Double Barrel Tower	Yamba
Single Barrel Tower	N.A.
Points Score Tower	N.A.
Double Rise Tower	N.A.
ISU Trap	Coffs Harbour
ISU Set	N.A.
NORTHERN ZONE TRAP TEAM ELIMINATION TAMWORTH	
NORTHERN ZONE SKEET TEAM ELIMINATION TAREE-WINGHAM	
RIVERINA ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS — STANDARD TARGET — DAY	
Double Barrel	Hillston
Single Barrel Ganmain	
Points Score	Narrandera
Double Rise	Griffith
Deauville Doubles	Hay
Walk Up	Wagga
Mixed Targets	West Wyalong
Double Barrel Cont.	Hay
Single Barrel Cont.	Wagga
Points Score Cont.	Rankin Springs
Skeet	Griffith
Double Barrel Tower	Junee
Single Barrel Tower	Junee
Points Score Tower	Junee
Double Rise Tower	Junee
ISU Universal Trap	Wagga
ISU Skeet	Wagga
RIVERINA ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS STANDARD TARGET — NIGHT	
Double Barrel	Griffith
Single Barrel	Narrandera
Points Score	West Wyalong
Double Rise	Lake Cargelligo
Deauville Doubles	Hay
Walk Up	N.A.
Mixed Targets	Wagga
Double Barrel Cont.	Wagga
Single Barrel Cont.	N.A.
Points Score Cont.	Hay
Skeet	Wagga

RIVERINA ZONE TRAP TEAM ELIMINATION FINLEY	
AIVERINA ZONE SKEET TEAM ELIMINATION GRIFFITH	
WESTERN ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS — STANDARD TARGETS — DAY	
Double Barrel	Broken Hill
Single Barrel	Goodooga
Points Score	Warren
Double Rise	Dubbo
Deauville Doubles	Cobar
WESTERN ZONE TRAP TEAM ELIMINATION N.A.	
WESTERN ZONE SKEET TEAM ELIMINATION N.A.	
VICTORIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS NORTH WEST ZONE	
STATE DAY STANDARD TARGETS	
Double Rise	Kaniva
Tower	Swan Hill
STATE NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS	
Double Rise	Jeparit
Skeet	Mildura
STATE DAY MINI TARGETS	
Single Barrel	Maryborough
Skeet	N.A.
Tower	Swan Hill
STATE NIGHT MINI TARGETS	
Points Score	Kerang
NORTH WEST ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS STANDARD TARGETS — DAY	
Single Barrel	Warracknabeal
Double Barrel	Horsham
Points Score	Hopetoun
Double Rise	Maryborough
Cont. D.B.	Kaniva
Cont. N.A.	
Deauville Doubles	Maryborough
Mixed Targets	Warracknabeal
Walk Up	Birchip
Skeet	Swan Hill
Tower	Mildura
Universal ISU Trench	Mildura
Auto & Driven	Warracknabeal
STANDARD TARGETS — NIGHT	
Single Barrel	Cohuna
Double Barrel	Kerang
Points Score	Birchip
Double Rise	Birchip
Cont. D.B.	N.A.
Cont. S.A.	N.A.
Deauville Doubles	Kerang
Mixed Targets	Kerang
Walk Up	N.A.
Skeet	Mildura
Tower	Mildura
MINI TARGETS — NIGHT	
Double Barrel	Cohuna
Single Barrel	Cohuna
SOUTH WEST ZONE	
STATE DAY STANDARD TARGETS	
Mixed Targets	Goroke
Cont. S.B.	Corio Bay
STATE NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS	
Mixed Targets	Colac
Cont. D.B.	Noorat
Cont. S.B.	Geelong
STATE DAY MINI TARGETS	
Mixed Targets	N.A.
Cont. D.B.	N.A.
STATE NIGHT MINI TARGETS	
Single Barrel	N.A.
Walk Up	N.A.
SOUTH EAST ZONE	
STATE DAY STANDARD TARGETS	
Deauville Doubles	Bairnsdale
STATE NIGHT STANDARD TARGETS	
Double Barrel	Morwell
Deauville Doubles	Metropolitan
Walk Up	Metropolitan
Points Score	Korumburra
STATE DAY MINI TARGETS	
Points Score	Mornington
WESTERN AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS	
STATE DAY STANDARD TARGETS	
Tower D.B.	Perth 25-2-78
Double Rise	Esperance 25/26-3-78
Double Barrel	Edgehill 8-4-78
Deauville Doubles	Bunbury 9-4-78
Walk Up	Narrogin 6/7-5-78
Handicap	Narrogin 6/7-5-78
Single Barrel	Geraldton 3-6-78
State Mixed Targets	Geraldton 4-6-78
ISU Skeet	Cunderdin 29-7-78
Trench	Cunderdin 30-7-78
D.B. Points	Northam
Skeet	Perth 9-9-78
Cont. D.B.	Perth 10-9-78
Tower S.B.	Collie 22-10-78
Double Rise Tower	Perth 9-12-78
NORTHERN TERRITORY CHAMPIONSHIPS	
STATE DAY STANDARD TARGETS	
Single Barrel	Darwin
Double Barrel	Katherine
Tower	Katherine
Points Score	Alice Springs
Skeet	Darwin

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AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

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It is IMPERATIVE that ACTA members and their families, who are intending to compete at the 1978 Nationals take URGENT action to book their accommodation requirements. Details, together with a deposit of \$50 should be sent to: Mrs J. Jacobson, Jetset Tours, 18th Floor, MLC Building, 303 Collins Street, Melbourne, 3000.

Applications will be treated on a "first come — first served" basis. It is unfortunate that this clash of dates has occurred, but of course, it can be used to advantage, because of the number of additional places of interest which will be available to shooters and visitors during that time.

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AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

S.A. — 1978

M'ship No.

NAME

ADDRESS

Post Code

*Preferred
type of
Accommodation
No. of
People

Dates required — From

To

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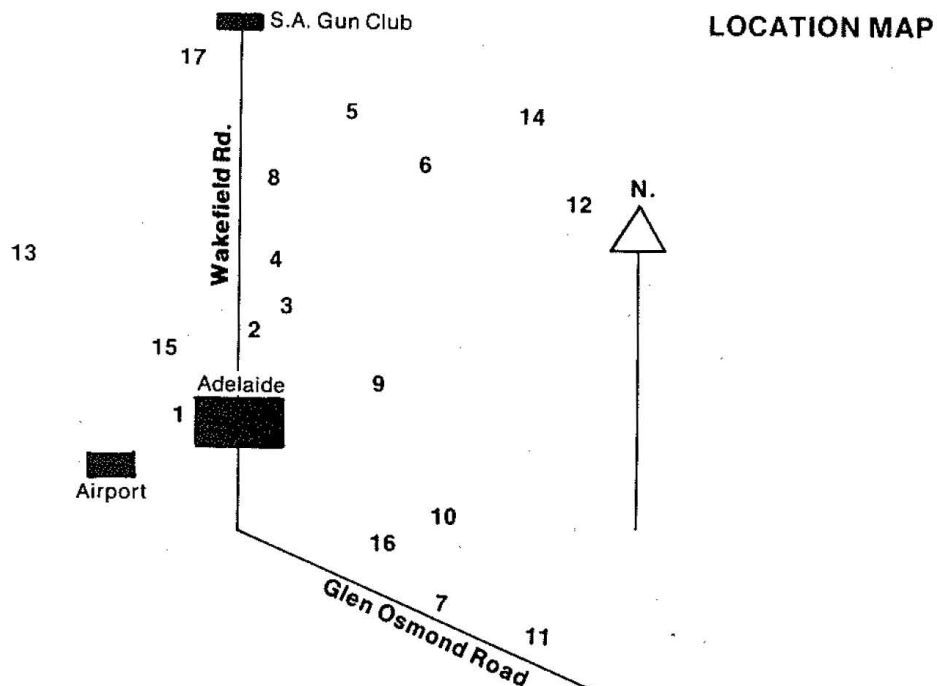
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ACCOMMODATION DETAILS

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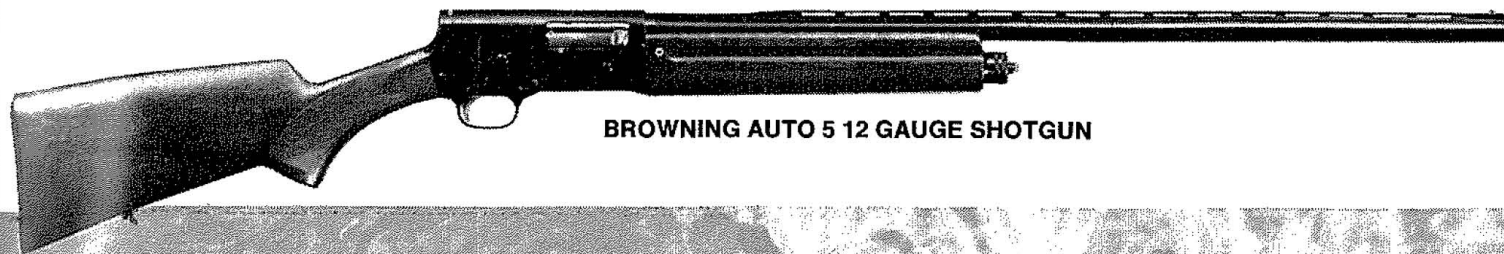
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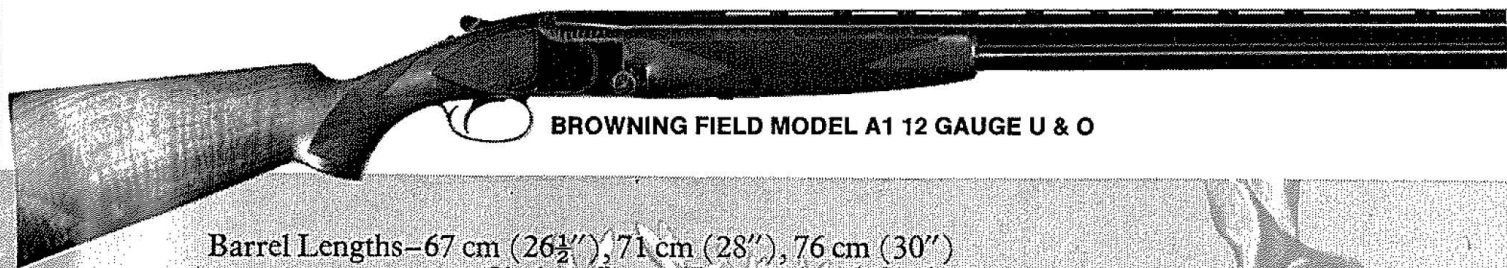
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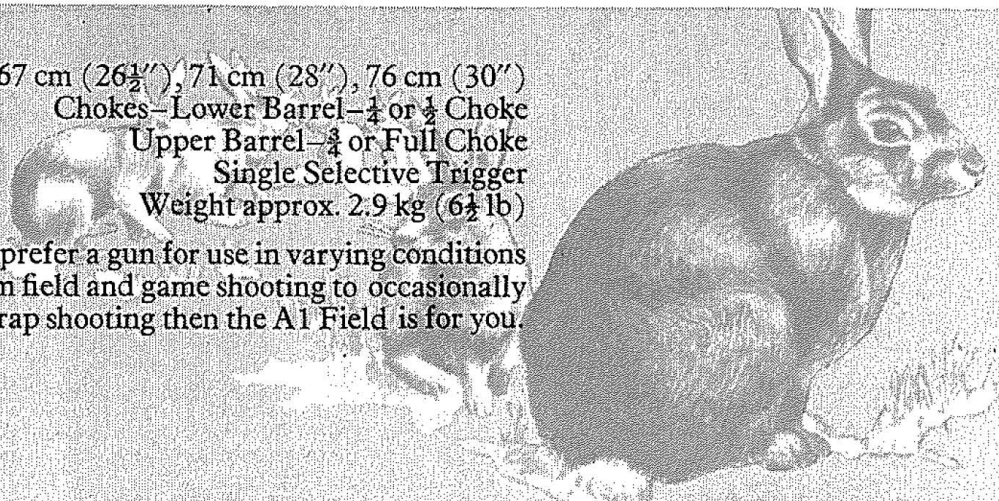
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