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According to the Concise Oxford Dictionary the definition of "deadline" is, "a time limit for the completion of an activity". No definition that I could find listed "deadline" as a signal to contact the editor and ask how much more time there is to submit copy or book an ad. Ed.

### Front cover

Charles Arrowsmith, winner of the NQRA Queens.

Cover photograph by Sue Scott.

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The deadlines for acceptance of copy for the next two issues are

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# Chairman's Message

What a delightful experience it was to receive the initial ATR online. It far exceeded my expectations as to presentation, colour and content. May I thank both Daniel Cotterill and Laurelle Tunks for their latest Magazine. Hopefully many more NRAA members and other persons will take advantage of the availability of the publication. Should you not have access to a computer please arrange for someone in your Club or family or the local library to get you access so that you can read or browse.

The final elimination for the Australia Cup has been finalised at Belmont. As was part of the rules of the contest the five top finalists would be eligible to be selected as the representatives for Australia in Full Bore Rifle Shooting for the Commonwealth Games in 2018. The five shooters are Jim Bailey, Ben Emms, Peter Thurtell, James Corbett and Matthew Pozzebon.

Their names have been ratified by Shooting Australia and the final selection will then be made. NRAA is part of the process brought upon the sport by the number of challenges to selection brought on during the lead up to the Rio Olympics, not only with shooting but also in swimming and other sports.

It is expected that Jim Bailey and Ben Emms will be the athletes ably supported by high profile coach Stuart Collings.

Geoff Grenfell who was a part of the final Australia Cup elimination blitzed the field at the NRAA National Championships last month winning the Presidents, Queens and obviously, the Grand Aggregate. The results are listed in this edition of ATR and are also able to be viewed online from the NRAA website.

The F Class contingent of the Australian Teams will be competing at Ottawa in Canada in the near future. Their training and preparation has been long and thorough.

Some volunteers from shooting - in its wider aspects - have now commenced the selection process for assisting at the Games next year. The process would appear to be slow and tedious.

State Championships will be conducted by QRA at Belmont in August, NSWRA at Malabar in early September followed by the inaugural Championships by WARA at the new Pinjar range north of Perth. Endeavour to support your own championships at least.

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# Jim Bailey Scores Australia Cup Win

Article and photos by Gordon Collie

Sydney shooter Jim Bailey has won a dramatic final Australia Cup selection trial for the 2018 Commonwealth Games at Belmont Range in Brisbane.

Jim, from Holsworthy Rifle Club, shot all 15 bullseyes



Australia Cup winner Jim Bailey

for a possible score of 75 on the last range at 1000 yards. This vaulted him from third to first place with a two day aggregate score of 662 with 70 centre bulls.

Ben Emms from Lyndhurst Rifle Club, west of Bathurst in NSW, also scored 662 but with 61 centres, he placed second.

Peter Thurtell from Wingham was a single point behind in third, with an aggregate 661.71.

Victorian James Corbett, a member of the last Commonwealth team, finished fourth on 660.61 with Queensland University's Matt Pozzebon in fifth placing on 656.62.

The names of the top five finalists will be submitted to Shooting Australia for ratification of the two members and a reserve to compete at the games on Belmont Range next April.

The final two-day selection trial was conducted over 10 ranges from 300 to 1000 yards with 10 and 15 shot matches.

Jim Bailey is an experienced international competitor who coached the Australian team which competed in South Africa earlier this year.

He has been a member of Australian teams since 2001 and has won 11 Queens Prize matches - the most recent in New Zealand in January.

Jim said it has been a lifelong goal to qualify for his first Commonwealth Games and he was looking forward to representing his country in Brisbane next year - a range he has become very familiar with over the years.

"Rifle shooting is very much a part of our family, Jim said.

His father Ron was a lifelong competitor and NSW representative and his son Mitchell, 19, is currently representing Australia in the Junior Small Bore World Championships in Germany.



Peter Thurtell with Bruce Scott



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Peter Thurtell, Jim Bailey and Ben Emms

As Ben Emms was growing up he never had to travel far to shoot, with the Lyndhurst Range built on the family cattle property in central western NSW.

"I'm a fifth generation shooter. The range has been on our property since 1913." said Ben who combines farming with a stock and station agency business.

Ben won the World Championship in the USA in 2015 after having taken out the US Open title the year before.

A regular member of the Australian team, Ben has won a single Queens Prize in North Queensland.

Both Jim and Ben are competing for selection in the Palma World Championship to be held in New Zealand in early 2019.

**Results**

Australia Cup One			
1	James Corbett	Benalla VIC	656.64
2	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy Rifle Club NSW	655.61
3	Ben Emms	Lyndhurst Rifle Club NSW	647.61
4	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo VIC	646.44
5	Brendan Parkins	Albert District NSW	645.49
6	Brett McCauley	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	644.46
7	Peter Thurtell	Wingham Rifle Club NSW	643.51
8	George Edser	Central QLD	643.48
9	Jim Jeffery	Lyndhurst Rifle Club NSW	643.45
10	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld QLD	640.63
11	Mark Thurtell	Lyndhurst NSW	634.51



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Ben Emms with Bruce Scott

12	Steve Negus	Canberra Rifle Club NSW	634.49
13	Andrew Sims	Port Jackson Rifle Club NSW	633.46
14	Mal McKenzie	Wingham NSW	632.46
15	Tim Berry	Natives QLD	631.40
16	David McIntosh	Canberra Rifle Club ACT	630.51
17	Ben Picton	Goondiwindi NSW	628.35
18	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane QLD	621.34
19	Phill Hodder	Roseville Rifle Club NSW	616.34
20	Mike Chad	Port Macquarie Rifle Club NSW	615.50

#### Australia Cup Two

1	James Corbett	Benalla VIC	657.72
2	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy Rifle Club NSW	657.65
3	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld QLD	656.56
4	Steve Negus	Canberra Rifle Club NSW	655.50
5	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo VIC	650.57
6	Brett McCauley	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	646.60
7	Jim Jeffery	Lyndhurst Rifle Club NSW	646.57
8	Ben Emms	Lyndhurst Rifle Club NSW	643.55
9	Peter Thurtell	Wingham Rifle Club NSW	641.56
10	Andrew Sims	Port Jackson Rifle Club NSW	638.42
11	George Edser	Central QLD	635.52
12	Tim Berry	Natives QLD	633.46
13	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane QLD	632.49
14	Mal McKenzie	Wingham NSW	632.41
15	Ben Picton	Goondiwindi NSW	631.61
16	David McIntosh	Canberra Rifle Club ACT	627.35
17	Don Thompson	Natives QLD	624.45
18	Brendan Parkins	Albert District NSW	623.41
19	Kim O'Loghlen	Natives QLD	618.40
20	Mike Chad	Port Macquarie Rifle Club NSW	600.33

#### Australia Cup Three

1	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy Rifle Club NSW	662.70
2	Ben Emms	Lyndhurst Rifle Club NSW	662.61
3	Peter Thurtell	Wingham Rifle Club NSW	661.71
4	James Corbett	Benalla VIC	660.61
5	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld QLD	656.62
6	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo VIC	654.67
7	Jim Jeffery	Lyndhurst Rifle Club NSW	654.59
8	Steve Negus	Canberra Rifle Club NSW	653.51
9	Brett McCauley	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	652.52
10	George Edser	Central QLD	647.46



# Geoff Grenfell adds another Queens to his Tally

Article and photos by Gordon Collie

Prolific rifle shooting championship winner Geoff Grenfell has won the 46<sup>th</sup> National Championship in style in Brisbane.

The Victorian shooter from Bendigo made the most of great weather conditions to shoot a possible 500 score over three days of competition at Belmont.

New South Wales shooter Duncan Davies was hot on his heels also scoring 500, but losing the Queens Prize by three centre bulls.

Geoff Grenfell missed just a single bullseye in five days of competition to win the grand aggregate for the Presidents Match and the Queens with a total of 849.112.

## President's Match

A Grade			
1	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo VIC	349.43
2	Duncan Davies	West Wallsend NSW	348.44
3	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane QLD	348.39



Geoff Grenfell, Bendigo

4	John Snowden	Ashburton	347.49
5	Gillian Webb Enslin	Pacific QLD	347.43
6	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy NSW	347.41
7	Matt	University of Qld	346.47
8	Darren Enslin	Pacific QLD	346.41
9	Robert Johansen	Gisborne	346.37
10	Colin Jones	Central QLD	345.34
11	Alex Davies	West Wallsend NSW	345.33
12	Andrew Mayfield	Ipswich and District QLD	345.28
13	Ken Young	Southern Highlands NSW	344.33
14	Peter Maher	Lilydale VIC	344.32
15	Brett McCauley	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	343.37
16	Michael Millen	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	343.36
17	Rob Kitson	Army Club, Bisley	343.36
18	Eric Christie	Townsville Marksmen QLD	343.36
19	Paul Watkins	Chapman Valley WA	343.34
20	Mike Rankin	Wangaratta	343.33

B Grade			
1	Dudley Ford	Mareeba QLD	340.25
2	Ann Chinnery	Marian QLD	337.32
3	Derek Sharp	Brisbane Mariners	337.22
4	Dmitri Kazakov	Roseville NSW	335.30
5	Bill Ballantyne	Hornsby RSL NSW	332.28



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8	Max Bidgood	Crows Nest G/bungee QLD	331.28
9	Alexander	Hoffmann Concord NSW	331.21
10	Dennis Hilton	Grafton NSW	330.21
11	Tony Logan	Ipswich and District QLD	329.23
12	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla SA	329.21
13	David Phippard	Murwillumbah NSW	328.14
14	Bill Pryde	Spalding SA	327.17
15	Stephen Small	Brisbane Mariners QLD	326.13

#### C Grade

1	Josh Pratt	Natives QLD	329.25
2	Wayne Pearson	Grafton NSW	328.19
3	Phillip West	Darwin NT	306.15

#### F Class Standard A Grade

1	Nathan Johnson	Brisbane Mariners QLD	419.34
2	Nick Williamson	Gemfields QLD	410.31
3	Ernie Mace	Central QLD	403.23
4	John Simons	Broken Hill NSW	403.22
5	Malcolm Sharp	Lyndhurst NSW	402.25
6	Mahlon Reid	Boddington 214 WA	401.26
7	Trevor Rhodes	Maryborough VIC	401.21
8	Denis Aarons	North Arm QLD	399.15
9	Jim Blomfield	Bowen-Collinsville QLD	398.25

#### F Class Standard B Grade

1	Shaun Wheeler	Brisbane Mariners	413.36
2	Peter Drew	Brisbane RC QLD	404.33
3	Richard Blocksidge	Albert District QLD	403.22



*Brett McAulay, Mt Wellington, NSW, John Snowden, New Zealand and Geoff Grosskreutz, Brisbane.*

4	Wayne Latham	Natives	401.22
5	Margy Kerlin	Clermont QLD	395.16
6	Ross Lydiate	Cuballing 69 WA	387.16
7	Paul Kerlin	Clermont QLD	385.13
8	Ben Wright	Bathurst NSW	378.13
9	Cedric May	Canberra ACT	377.10
10	Wayne Swift	Bowen-Collinsville QLD	366.10

**F Open**

1	Matt Paroz	North Sydney NSW	418.46
2	Brett Bunyan	Boddington WA	416.23
3	Geoffrey Krake	Mildura - Red Cliffs	415.38
4	Adam Pohl	Kapunda SA	415.30
5	Ben Ferrara	Lithgow NSW	414.31
6	Stuart Braund	Cyclists and Torrens Valley SA	413.43
7	Josh Reid	Ipswich and District	413.27
8	Lowell Tillack	Goondiwindi	412.29
9	Greg Warrian	Tumut NSW	412.29
10	Peter Carter	Cairns QLD	411.37
11	Graham Sells	Dalby-Tara QLD	411.32
12	Peter Larsen	Kapunda SA	411.27
13	Tim Nugent	Cessnock NSW	410.30
14	Rod Davies	Cessnock NSW	409.34

**FTR**

1	Jason Mayers	Brisbane	417.34
2	Mark Fairbairn	Cannon Hill RSL QLD	411.32
3	Frans Knox	Brisbane QLD	410.21
4	Craig Pratt	Natives QLD	407.27
5	Shane Green	Cairns QLD	404.29

6	Tim Lawrence	Townsville Marksmen QLD	403.19
7	Daniel Blackmore	Cyclists and Torrens Valley SA	400.27
8	Liam Hall	South Bendigo VIC	400.24
9	Ron Millingen	Murwillumbah QLD	400.21
10	Michael Hall	South Bendigo VIC	400.17

Another NSW shooter Brett McCauley, placed third in the Queens on 499 with 72 centres and Pacific Rifle Club member Gillian Web Enslin was fourth with 499.67.



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Five shooters all had possible scores going into the last range at 1000 yards with Geoff Grenfell, Duncan Davies and Gillian Webb Enslin all locked on 450 with 63 centres.

The B Grade Queens was won by Alexander Hoffmann of Concord while Josh Pratt from Natives had a convincing C Grade win.

In the F Standard competition, Nathan Johnson from Mariners added the Queens to his President's Match win and also added the 15 shot Mace Medal.

The F Open Queens Prize went to Michael Singleton from North Sydney, with Roseville's Garry Faulker victorious in FTR.

### Queens Prize

#### A Grade

1	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo VIC	500.69
2	Duncan Davies	West Wallsend NSW	500.66
3	Brett McCauley	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	499.72
4	Gillian Webb Enslin	Pacific QLD	499.67
5	James Corbett	Benalla VIC	499.65
6	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane QLD	499.62
7	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld QLD	499.61
8	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy NSW	498.70
9	Colin Cole	North Arm QLD	498.59
10	Ben Picton	Goondiwindi NSW	498.57
11	Brian Carter	Te Puke NZ	498.54

12	Colin Jones	Central QLD	497.58
13	Michael Millen	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	497.56
14	Mal McKenzie	Wingham NSW	497.53
15	Steve Negus	Canberra NSW	496.73
16	Mirko Teglassi	Brisbane QLD	496.64
17	Shane Abood	Albert District QLD	496.56
18	Lee Robinson	Beaudesert QLD	496.52
19	Nick Abrahall	Grafton NSW	495.66
20	Darren Enslin	Pacific QLD	495.57

#### B Grade

1	Alexander Hoffmann	Concord NSW	493.46
2	Bas Hopkins	Gold Coast City QLD	492.35
3	Ryan Biss	Beaudesert QLD	490.48
4	Neil Harris	Brisbane QLD	490.45
5	Derek Sharp	Brisbane Mariners	488.39
6	Bill Ballantyne	Hornsby RSL NSW	487.45
7	Tony Schlink	Mundaring WA	485.33
8	Rudi Mueller	Natives QLD	485.29
9	Dudley Ford	Mareeba QLD	483.38
10	Clinton Whyte	Blenheim Kaituna	482.39
11	Ann Chinnery	Marian QLD	482.37
12	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla SA	482.30
13	Dmitri Kazakov	Roseville NSW	481.43
14	Tony Logan	Ipswich and District QLD	481.31
15	Dennis Hilton	Grafton NSW	480.42

#### C Grade

1	Josh Pratt	Natives QLD	483.37
2	John Maguire	West Wallsend NSW	464.31
3	David Nicol	Ipswich and District QLD	454.22

#### F Standard A Grade

1	Nathan Johnson	Brisbane Mariners QLD	594.52
2	Nick Williamson	Gemfields QLD	592.42
3	John Simons	Broken Hill NSW	589.47
4	David Cole	Yarloop WA	583.38
5	Mahlon Reid	Boddington WA	582.29
6	Terry Sheedy	Townsville Marksmen QLD	580.33
7	Bob Pedersen	Wodonga NSW	577.39
8	Glenn Rush	Ipswich and District QLD	576.37
9	Trevor Rhodes	Maryborough VIC	575.27

#### F Standard B Grade

1	Shaun Wheeler	Brisbane Mariners QLD	589.50
2	Richard Blocksidge	Albert District QLD	580.37
3	Wayne Latham	Natives QLD	580.33
4	Scott Monaghan	Dubbo Narromine NSW	574.35
5	Henry Mischlewski	Central QLD	570.23
6	Peter Drew	Brisbane RC QLD	565.28
7	Paul Kerlin	Clermont QLD	564.30
8	Marty Duffield	Brisbane Mariners QLD	564.27
9	Margy Kerlin	Clermont QLD	564.18
10	Glenn Ellis	Crows Nest-Goombungee QLD	563.24

#### F Open

1	Michael Singleton	North Sydney NSW	598.60
2	Stuart Braund	Cyclists and Torrens Valley SA	597.69
3	Stephen Lazarus	Cairns QLD	596.49
4	Rod Davies	Cessnock NSW	595.55

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7	Adam Pohl	Kapunda SA	594.56
8	Lowell Tillack	Goondiwindi	593.60
9	Geoffrey Krake	Mildura - Red Cliffs	593.59
10	Matt Paroz	North Sydney NSW	593.45

**FTR**

1	Gary Faulkner	Roseville NSW	593.51
2	Liam Hall	South Bendigo VIC	590.39
3	Philip Brook	Brisbane QLD	589.43
4	Rod Mahon	South Bendigo VIC	589.38
5	Jason Mayers	Brisbane QLD	588.47
6	Andrew Blaicklock	Brisbane Mariners RC QLD	585.33
7	Chris Allman	Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet QLD	584.35
8	Craig Pratt	Natives QLD	582.34
9	Michael Hall	South Bendigo VIC	582.29
10	Daniel Blackmore	Cyclists and Torrens Valley SA	581.34

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**Kaltenberg Cup**

1	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld	VVV55VVV5VVV555	75.9
2	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo	55VVV5VVVV5V455	74.8
3	Brian Carter	Te Puke NZ	VVV55555V45V555	74.5
4	Nick Cock	Bathurst	45V5VV55V5V54	73.6
5	Gillian Webb Enslin	Pacific	55VV554545V5VV5	73.5
6	Duncan Davies	West Wallsend	VV55VVVV5VVVV43	72.10
7	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy	5555VV5V444VV5V	72.6
8	John Snowden	Ashburton	5454V5V54V5V5V5	72.5
9	Peter Maher	Lilydale	44V55545V5VVV55	72.5
10	Colin Cole	North Arm	VVV5V44V4V455VV	71.8
11	Michael Millen	Mosman N/Bay	5VV44V5V445V5VV	71.7
12	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane	5535VVVVV4VV545	71.7
13	Rob Kitson	Army Club, Bisley	5V5545544VV5V4V	71.5
14	Shane Abood	Albert District	554445V55555V4V	71.3
15	Brett McCauley	Mount Wellington	V5554544V545V55	71.3
16	Colin Jones	Central	5555V53V4VVV553	70.5
17	Robert Johansen	Gisborne	55453VV55455V45	70.3
18	Kim O'Loughlen	Natives	5VV455545555354	70.2
19	Darren Enslin	Pacific	33554545VV55VVV	69.5
20	John Baxter	Lithgow	54V3VV4V534445V	66.5

**The Mace Medal**

**F Standard A Grade**

1	Nathan Johnson	Brisbane Mariners	665655X655XXX65	84.4
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*Richard Jones, Manly*

2	John Simons	Broken Hill	66466X665556X55	83.2
3	Nick Williamson	Gemfields	X64655555X66665	82.2

**F Standard B Grade**

1	Shaun Wheeler	Brisbane Mariners	56XX456555665X6	82.3
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**F Open**

1	Stuart Braund	Cyclists & Torrens	665X6X666XX6X66	89.5
2	Adam Pohl	Kapunda	XX56XX666666XX5	88.6
3	Geoffrey Krake	Mildura - Red Cliffs	53566544465553X	72.1

**FTR**

1	Jason Mayers	Brisbane	6X66X5546566X66	85.3
2	Mark Fairbairn	Cannon Hill RSL	1X66X5546566X66	80.3
3	Liam Hall	South Bendigo	56645455X5X6565	79.2
4	Craig Pratt	Natives	646556X6X645545	79.2

# NQRA Queens - 130th Year of Camaraderie and Friendship

*Written by Stephen Lazarus, Photos by Bruce and Sue Scott and George Ivory*

The NQRA Queens Prize has become a wonderful and challenging institution for shooters over many years. This year was a milestone, in that the event had reached its 130th year! The NQRA had spent a great deal of time and energy in planning an extra special event for competitors. As previous readers would know, this event has traditionally always had a very special feeling, but given the events planned, this year had an extra special buzz and the eagerness to commence proceedings was evident in all.

All in all, there was a great field present, with 103 competitors ultimately vying for honours. As in years gone by, the majority was made up of those competing in F Class disciplines; representing over 50% of the total field. In what was a very strong field, every state was represented except Tasmania, indicating the soft spot interstate visitors have for this specific event. Worth noting is the number of new faces to this level of the sport, arriving primarily to compete in FTR. It is wonderful to see growth in our sport made possible by the variety of disciplines new shooters can now align themselves with, due to the vision of the NRAA.

On Thursday evening, the range was a hive of activity, the Wilson had just been concluded with John Baxter in Target Rifle A Grade; Ann Chinnery in B Grade; Ben Munro in C Grade; Julian Daley in F Open; Mahlon Reid in F Standard A Grade; Glenn Ellis in F Standard B Grade; and Jordan Drew in FTR emerging victorious.



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Despite the eagerness on the range to kick things off, the weather gods were having none of it. The forecast for Friday, day one of the Queens proper, was bleak.

**Wilson Results**

**A Grade**

1	John Baxter	Lithgow Small Arms NSW	200.20
2	Garry Gee	Darwin NT	199.25
3	Anthony Wilson	Clermont QLD	199.20
4	Don Thompson	Natives QLD	199.18
5	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld	198.27
6	Ben Picton	Goondiwindi NSW	198.25
7	Graham Aitchison	Canberra ACT	198.22
8	Eric Christie	Townsville Marksmen QLD	197.23
9	Bluey (Ian) Noll	Whyalla SA	197.21
10	Tony McGuigan	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	197.20

**B Grade**

1	Ann Chinnery	Marian QLD	200.22
2	Rex Waite	West Wallsend NSW	195.21
3	Carol Hulett	Geelong VIC	194.15
4	Martin Eiteneuer	Marian QLD	194.13
5	Dudley Ford	Mareeba QLD	193.17
6	Scott Broome	Darwin NT	192.14
7	Frank Chester	Mareeba QLD	192.13
8	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla SA	192.13
9	Bob Hawkins	Townsville Marksmen QLD	191.17



A very happy Charles Arrowsmith

10	Emily Cronin	Clermont QLD	191.17
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**C Grade**

1	Ben Munro	Townsville Marksmen QLD	191.13
2	Ken Ward	CQTS QLD	189.12
3	Don Flynn	Woomera SA	186.6

**F Standard A Grade**

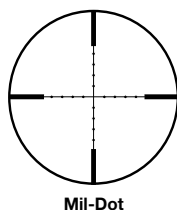
1	Mahlon Reid	Boddington 214 WA	239.19
2	Nick Williamson	Gemfields QLD	237.20
3	Jim Blomfield	Bowen-Collinsville QLD	235.21
4	John Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	235.18

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5	Murray Wilson	Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet QLD	235.16
6	Warren Gibson	Darwin NT	233.14
7	David Cole	Yarloop WA	232.16
8	Norman Cross	Gemfields QLD	232.16
9	Nigel Hunt	Northampton 111 WA	232.13
10	Ernie Mace	Central QLD	230.12

<b>Standard B Grade</b>			
1	Glenn Ellis	Crows Nest-Goombungee QLD	233.15
2	Margy Kerlin	Clermont QLD	233.10
3	David Willis	Armidale NSW	229.16
4	Paul Finger	Gemfields QLD	229.11
5	Karl Vorderwinkler	Cairns QLD	228.12
6	Henry Mischlewski	Central QLD	227.9
7	Paul Kerlin	Clermont QLD	225.13
8	Neville Fyles	Raglan QLD	225.7

<b>F Open</b>			
1	Julian Daley	Mackay	240.24
2	Andrew Pearce	North Arm QLD	240.19
3	Peter Carter	Cairns QLD	239.20
4	John Smith	Mackay QLD	237.20
5	Phillip Bonaventura	Mackay QLD	236.20



*Tony and Wendy McGuigan*



*Trevor Deed with his loot*

<b>FTR</b>			
1	Jordan Drew	Cairns QLD	233.18
2	Mark Azzopardi	Cairns QLD	232.15
3	Tim Lawrence	Townsville Marksmen QLD	230.13

**The Queens**

As it turned out, the forecast of rain on Friday turned out to be accurate, with Townsville seeing significant falls throughout the entire day. Townsville has been quite dry for some time, so for locals it was a welcome change with dam levels rising from 13% to 22% in a 24 hour period! Given the situation, the match committee had no choice but to cancel the first day. For those of you who were unable to attend, you may think that this may have put a damper on the event, but not so. You have oft heard that the NQRA Queens is called the friendly shoot and for good reason. This shone through on the day. The range had campers aplenty and the camaraderie flowed from site to site with competitors taking the opportunity to “socialise” throughout the day. The day was wet but spirits were high when the sun finally set on what was actually an immensely enjoyable day. The new awning to the shed recently erected by the NQRA came into its own given the weather and created a wonderful nucleus to reminisce with old and dear friends. Due to the weather and associated “socialising”, by the end of the day, the large stock of red wine, which had not been moving very quickly over the bar in years gone by, was well and truly finished; bringing a smile to NQRA Chairman Bruce Scott.

Many competitors attend the NQRA given that its program focuses on the longer ranges. This year’s Queens would extend on this, because by necessity of the weather, it was now to be decided by the outcome of 700, 800, 900 and 800, 900 metres respectively. In this way, this Queens was shaping up to be even more interesting and challenging than in previous years and the pressure to perform was on. Everyone certainly had their “game face” well and truly on come Saturday morning.

On Saturday competitors awoke to wonderful weather, the rains having drawn all the moisture out of the atmosphere, leaving beautiful clear blue skies overhead.



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The winds were light to begin with, however the real challenge was that they insisted on cycling through centre at least once for almost every shooter, and repeated this cycle again at each range. The fickle winds made conditions challenging, and identifying the subtle signs that the wind was in flux and therefore either pausing for, or anticipating, the change was the key to good scores.

Sighting was an interesting challenge too. Given the weather, the ground had absorbed a significant amount of water. Now that the sun was out, that water was being baked out of the earth creating HEAVY mirage. Unsurprisingly, the heaviest mirage was in the middle of the day at 800 metres, with scoped shooters having to reduce zoom considerably to cope. As the sun passed its zenith, the sighting eased slightly for the last range of the day, being 900 metres, but sighting and wind

conditions kept competitors on their toes and there were certainly no "gimmies".

**Aggregate Results for Saturday (700, 800 and 900 metres)**

<b>Target Rifle A Grade:</b>	Charles Arrowsmith	150.13
<b>Target Rifle B Grade:</b>	Marty Eiteneuer	145.10
<b>Target Rifle C Grade:</b>	Ken Ward	136.9
<b>FTR:</b>	Mark Azzopardi	175.10
<b>F Open:</b>	Peter Smith	180.16
<b>F Standard A Grade:</b>	Nick Williamson	179.20
<b>F Standard B Grade:</b>	Glenn Ellis	172.9

More than anything else, the people make the shoot. This year's NQRA Queens had its fair share of interesting characters. In the mornings, it was always a special treat to see Ernie Mace parading through the camp to the showers displaying to all and sundry his wonderfully colourful pair of silk boxers. On the



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range, Range Officer John Kielly in full facial “war paint” (primer coat and top coat of sunscreen) kept an overview of proceedings. Of course, it was not all beer and skittles for poor John as he had to share the long drive from Brisbane to Townsville with Ernie, and I’m not sure how he coped with seeing Ernie in those technicolour silken boxers every morning all that way along Highway 1. Over on the edge of the camp, Steve Durham’s trailer/birdcage housed his much-loved rescued cockatoos. They’re certainly in good hands, Sparky’s plumage is coming back in nicely. There was definitely no shortage of interesting and amiable people in attendance to make it a great event.

As always, the NQRA held its AGM co-incident with the Queens. This AGM was significant in that life membership was to be bestowed upon Chairman Bruce Scott. Not such an easy feat when one has to create a diversion to get the chairman himself out of the meeting so that a vote on the matter may be taken. Bruce’s wife Sue was able to concoct a story of a car key broken in a lock to create the diversion which Bruce just absolutely, positively had to address right now, but truth be known, I think the jig was up. Bestowing the honour of Life Membership on Bruce was a well-deserved recognition of both the hard work and dedication Bruce has put into the association over many, many years and of a lifetime of active competition at the highest levels.

To commemorate the 130th NQRA Queens Prize, the NQRA had some special treats in store for competitors. The NQRA funded a wonderful dinner and all attendees and partners were invited to feast on two suckling pigs slowly cooked on spit roasts throughout the day. In total, slightly over 200 people were at this special event. Following dinner, the entertainment commenced. This comprised of a wiry old local “Bushy” crooning through a selection of old Ocker songs. His dulcet” voice mercifully assisted by guitar and banjo. To complement the show, he also had a few rabbit traps for the crowd to pass around and play with. Surprisingly,

there were no reports of any missing fingers after the show, and seeing the “festive” way some of the people were handling them, I’d say that was a minor miracle. Later in the evening the celebrations migrated to the central fire. Unless you’ve attended and been a part of an NQRA Queens you will never really know the good times, general ribbing and fun which typically happens around the Hervey’s Range central camp fire, but it was aptly summed up by Mark Azzopardi when he remarked “you won’t come back the same way you went in...”

Then it was Sunday and the final day of the Queens dawned to another fine day. There was still significant dampness in the earth from the deluge on Friday, and as such as the day warmed up, sighting and mirage were again going to be significant challenges. In the same fashion as every other morning, Jim Blomfield rose early (around 4am it was said) to pay homage to the caffeine deity, get the urns going and whip himself up a brew. Many thanks also go to June Lorimer who





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was there not long after to make sure supplies were stocked and ready for the ensuing gaggle of shooters also after their own morning brew.

Given the challenges of sighting, variable winds and the long ranges shot on the final day, it turned out that there were birds aplenty. There were a total of 14 shooters who shot a single bird. But, there were 10 shooters who shot two birds! Whilst there was no one who shot three birds there was one person who managed four. The Bird Award is always a light hearted and fun little stitch-up, and this year the award and associated “bragging rights” went to Graham Aitchison. Whilst this award is always tongue in cheek, on a more serious note, given the volume of birds shot this year, it is a very good barometer of the testing conditions.

The day was not without its other challenges as well. In the pressure cooker of top level competition, one of our upper echelon shooters was having some troubles with a pair of misses. On closer inspection, he was able to confirm that he had wound down from 800 metres to 900 metres instead of up. Clearly when the field is tight and competition is stiff it is important to keep your “game face” on and I hope he doesn’t mind me mentioning this so that others might be wary. In another occurrence, Jordan Drew was having trigger troubles. Given the wet weather earlier, some damp clothes were left in his car overnight as was the rifle. During the night, the humidity in the car caused some light surface rust to form in the delicate trigger mechanism, causing just enough friction to render it unusable. It was really heartening to see fellow competitors from all disciplines rally to assist Jordan in rectifying the issue and Jordan went on to complete the Queens, finishing in a respectable third place in FTR. The circumstances leading to this surface rust were

very unique and are worthy of mention as a heads up. Beyond the competition, Trevor Deed searched hard and managed to find some particularly boggy ground, promptly getting firmly stuck. Thanks must go to Dudley Ford for providing a most graceful extraction - only breaking one of Trevor’s spotlights in the process. The peanut gallery watching were certain that given a little more time and planning, the pair could have easily achieved a second breakage.

**Aggregate Results for Sunday (800 and 900 metres)**

<b>Target Rifle A Grade:</b>	Matt Pozzebon	100.13
<b>Target Rifle B Grade:</b>	Scott Broome	95.9
<b>Target Rifle C Grade:</b>	Ken Ward	94.2
<b>FTR:</b>	Bob Steel	117.9
<b>F Open:</b>	Peter Carter	120.13
<b>F Standard A Grade:</b>	Nick Williamson	118.6
<b>F Standard B Grade:</b>	Margy Kerlin	116.8

Events of this magnitude require a great deal of planning and for the 130th year of the NQRA Queens Prize, the NQRA went above and beyond and did a spectacular job. On the day itself, there were many contributors behind the scenes who made the event a success. The catering is always a great highlight, and it was with great sadness that we heard the news that Lisa would be returning to the Philippines and thus be unable to provide the catering next year. Whilst this is a great pity, I did see a cheeky twinkle in NQRA President Bob Kennedy’s eyes as he gave her a thank-you hug, so there is a chance yet that she may be back! Kaileigh, NSWRA president John Baxter’s granddaughter, did a wonderful job of running the score cards from the mounds to the office. And in the office itself Betta Gianasi and Jean Mischlewski took care of all the administration as well as the tallying of results.



*Friday was wet but a great day was had by all regardless*



*Saturday Night Live*

Once the dust had settled and those results were tallied by Betta and Jean, the winners were:

**NQRA Queens Prize Winners**

<b>A Grade</b>		
1	Charles Arrowsmith	Biloela QLD 248.27
2	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld 247.34
3	Trevor Deed	Cairns QLD 247.27
4	Tony McGuigan	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW 247.27
5	Ben Picton	Goondiwindi NSW 247.26
6	Anthony Wilson	Clermont QLD 245.20
7	John Baxter	Lithgow Small Arms NSW 243.25
8	Wendy McGuigan	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW 243.20
9	Bluey (Ian) Noll	Whyalla SA 242.23
10	John Caske	Natives QLD 241.21
11	Eric Christie	Townsville Marksmen QLD 241.21
12	Garry Gee	Darwin NT 241.20
13	Mark Beecham	Mareeba QLD 241.18
14	David Gardiner	Central QLD 241.13
15	Stephen McShane	Yarloop WA 240.21
16	Micheal Green	Kambalda 288 WA 240.19
17	Don Thompson	Natives QLD 240.15
18	Peter Barry	Cairns QLD 239.13
19	Paul Watkins	Chapman Valley WA 237.21
20	Carol Solomon	Clermont QLD 237.19
21	Graham Aitchison	Canberra ACT 235.21
22	Charles Forster	Cairns QLD 235.15
23	Joshua Cox	Cairns QLD 235.15
24	Ian Bell	Sarina QLD 234.18
25	Stephen Durham	Mareeba QLD 229.15

<b>B Grade</b>		
1	Martin Eiteneuer	Marian QLD 238.14

2	Dennis Drew	Marian QLD 238.11
3	Ann Chinnery	Marian QLD 235.22
4	Dudley Ford	Mareeba QLD 235.20
5	Bob Hawkins	Townsville Marksmen QLD 235.20
6	Emily Cronin	Clermont QLD 235.16
7	Peter Bevan	Central Qld QLD 234.16
8	Scott Broome	Darwin NT 233.18
9	Carol Hulett	Geelong VIC 233.17
10	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla SA 231.13
11	Peter Hulett	Geelong VIC 230.18
12	David Harding-Smith	Mareeba QLD 230.11
13	Rick Mischlewski	Mossman and District QLD 230.10
14	Rex Waite	West Wallsend NSW 226.17
15	Tony Tugwell	West Broken Hill NSW 224.15

<b>C Grade</b>		
1	Ken Ward	CQTS QLD 230.11
2	Don Flynn	Woomera SA 224.9
3	Edward Mullan	Mackay QLD 218.10

<b>F Standard A Grade</b>		
1	Nick Williamson	Gemfields QLD 297.26
2	David Cole	Yarloop WA 293.18
3	Mahlon Reid	Boddington 214 WA 292.24
4	Norman Cross	Gemfields QLD 289.18
5	Gail Christie	Townsville Marksmen QLD 288.12
6	Travis Kohn	Atherton QLD 285.16
7	Ernie Mace	Central QLD 284.15
8	John Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW 284.11
9	Murray Wilson	Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet QLD 283.13
10	Jim Blomfield	Bowen-Collinsville QLD 283.12



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**F Standard B Grade**

1	Margy Kerlin	Clermont QLD	283.19
2	Henry Mischlewski	Central QLD	282.14
3	Paul Finger	Gemfields QLD	282.14
4	Karl Vorderwinkler	Cairns QLD	282.13
5	Glenn Ellis	Crows Nest-Goombungee QLD	280.14
6	Wayne Swift	Bowen-Collinsville QLD	279.6
7	Paul Kerlin	Clermont QLD	277.13
8	Ray O'Neill	Crows Nest G/bungee QLD	277.12
9	Craig Matthews	Townsville Marksmen QLD	273.11
10	Neville Fyles	Raglan QLD	272.10

**F Open**

1	Peter Smith	Herberton QLD	300.27
2	Marty Lobert	Cairns QLD	300.23
3	Phillip Bonaventura	Mackay QLD	298.33
4	Peter Carter	Cairns QLD	298.31
5	Stephen Lazarus	Cairns QLD	298.26
6	Julian Daley	Mackay	297.24
7	David Stewart	Herberton QLD	293.28
8	Terry Sheedy	Townsville Marksmen QLD	291.16

**FTR**

1	Mark Azzopardi	Cairns QLD	292.18
2	Bob Steel Crows	Nest G/bungee QLD	291.20
3	Jordan Drew	Cairns QLD	287.19

**Grand Aggregate Results**

**A Grade**

1	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld QLD	445.61
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2	Ben Picton	Goondiwindi NSW	445.51
3	Tony McGuigan	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	444.47
4	Anthony Wilson	Clermont QLD	444.40
5	John Baxter	Lithgow Small Arms NSW	443.45
6	Trevor Deed	Cairns QLD	442.45
7	Garry Gee	Darwin NT	440.45
8	Bluey (Ian) Noll	Whyalla SA	439.44
9	Don Thompson	Natives QLD	439.33
10	Eric Christie	Townsville Marksmen QLD	438.44
11	John Caske	Natives QLD	435.38
12	David Gardiner	Central QLD	435.27
13	Micheal Green	Kambalda 288 WA	434.40
14	Wendy McGuigan	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	434.39
15	Paul Watkins	Chapman Valley WA	434.37
16	Peter Barry	Cairns QLD	434.29
17	Graham Aitchison	Canberra ACT	433.43
18	Charles Forster	Cairns QLD	430.32
19	Ian Bell	Sarina QLD	429.35
20	Stephen Durham	Mareeba QLD	407.23

**B Grade**

1	Ann Chinnery	Marian QLD	435.44
2	Martin Eiteneuer	Marian QLD	432.27
3	Dudley Ford	Mareeba QLD	428.37
4	Dennis Drew	Marian QLD	428.20
5	Carol Hulett	Geelong VIC	427.32
6	Bob Hawkins	Townsville Marksmen QLD	426.37
7	Emily Cronin	Clermont QLD	426.33
8	Scott Broome	Darwin NT	425.32
9	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla SA	423.26



Preparing suckling pig for dinner

10	Rex Waite	West Wallsend NSW	421.38
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**C Grade**

1	Ken Ward	CQTS QLD	419.23
2	Don Flynn	Woomera SA	410.15
3	Ben Munro	Townsville Marksmen QLD	409.22

**F Standard A Grade**

1	Nick Williamson	Gemfields QLD	534.46
2	Mahlon Reid	Boddington 214 WA	531.43
3	David Cole	Yarloop WA	525.34
4	Norman Cross	Gemfields QLD	521.34
5	John Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	519.29
6	Jim Blomfield	Bowen-Collinsville QLD	518.33
7	Murray Wilson	Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet QLD	518.29
8	Gail Christie	Townsville Marksmen QLD	516.25
9	Ernie Mace	Central QLD	514.27
10	Warren Gibson	Darwin NT	512.23

**F Standard B Grade**

1	Margy Kerlin	Clermont QLD	516.29
2	Glenn Ellis	Crows Nest-Goombungee QLD	513.29
3	Paul Finger	Gemfields QLD	511.25
4	Karl Vorderwinkler	Cairns QLD	510.25
5	Henry Mischlewski	Central QLD	509.23
6	Wayne Swift	Bowen-Collinsville QLD	504.12
7	Paul Kerlin	Clermont QLD	502.26
8	Neville Fyles	Raglan QLD	497.17
9	Peter Casley	Murray Bridge SA	494.26
10	Gregory Hahn	Lyndhurst NSW	493.23

**F Open**

1	Peter Carter	Cairns QLD	537.51
2	Julian Daley	Mackay	537.48
3	Phillip Bonaventura	Mackay QLD	534.53
4	Andrew Pearce	North Arm QLD	527.33
5	John Smith	Mackay QLD	526.43

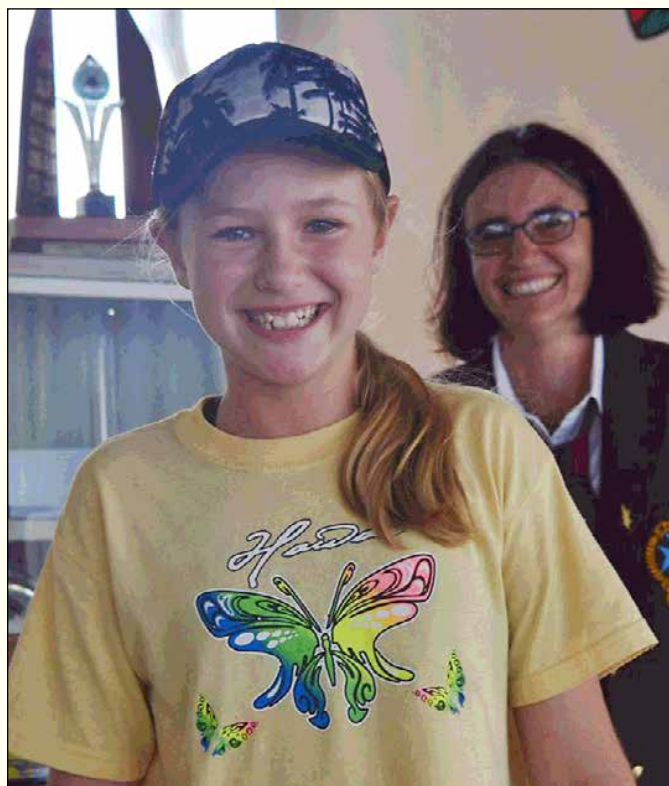
**FTR**

1	Mark Azzopardi	Cairns QLD	524.33
2	Jordan Drew	Cairns QLD	520.37
3	Bob Steel	Crows Nest G/bungee QLD	515.26

These results are particularly special given that in Target Rifle, Charles Arrowsmith has been a regular supporter of the NQRA Queens for many, many years. In all that time, he has always been highly competitive but never quite got there. 2017 was his year! Well done Charles! Remaining alive to collect the prize was completely another matter, but in spite of having a VERY wobbly start in the chair on the way in, Charles ultimately arrived at the podium in one piece.

In F Standard, evergreen Nick Williamson picked up the belt and added 2017 to an ever-increasing list of achievements. In FTR, fresh returnee to the sport, Mark Azzopardi was victorious. Mark can be truly proud of this win given he has only been back in the sport and shooting FTR for some 24 months after a long hiatus.

Visiting competitors new to the Far North and the NQRA Queens always comment on the camaraderie and friendliness of the event and over time the NQRA Queens has become known colloquially as the "Friendly



*Kaileigh - card runner extraordinaire*

Shoot". Coming into the last range in F Open, first and second place were neck and neck, so close in fact that neither had dropped any points for the entire competition coming into that final stage. Of the two competitors in question, one was a senior member of our sport who had recently had a significant health issue, the other not so senior. In spite of the equal position of the two competitors on the scoreboard, it was observed that the not so senior competitor assisted the senior member to move his heavy gear and rifle from the 800 metre mound to the 900 metre mound for the final test. For these two, the spirit of the competition mattered more than the end result, and above all, the concept of friendliness and camaraderie. In the same way that competitors rallied to help with the trigger problem and the willing hand in the form of a tow for a bogged fellow competitor, all these examples along with a million other unseen and unspoken acts, give this event its true character. For those who have been, you know what I mean. For those that haven't as yet, be sure to put it on your calendar for next year.

Oh, and by the way if you're wondering, the senior F Open competitor won the Queens, ahead on only X's. Fittingly, both competitors finished up going through the entire Queens clean in a discipline where up until that time, a Queens had not been cleaned before. To put that in perspective, combining the two shooter's efforts, this represents 100 scoring shots, covering a combination of 700 metres through to 900 metres without either ever straying out of the six-ring. A fitting and poetic end to a wonderful week of camaraderie and friendship.

We look forward to seeing you all again next year!

# The Canberra Queen's Prize

Friday 17 November to Sunday 19 November 2017

Queen's Badges: TR\_A 25; TR\_B 12; TR\_C 3; FS\_A 8; FS\_B 6; F Open 8; F/TR 6

## The Lead Up R A Rolph

Wednesday 15 November & Thursday 16 November 2017

Rolph Badges: TR\_A 18; TR\_B 8; TR\_C 3; FS\_A 5; FS\_B 3; F/TR 5; F Open 5

LU Day 1: 500m (10) 500m (10) & 600m (15). Starts 8.30am Q Day 1: 500m (10) 500m (10) & 600m (15).  
LU Day 2: 800m (15) & 800m (15). each day at McIntosh Rifle Range Q Day 2: 600m (10) 600m (10) 800 (10) & 800m (10).  
Q Day 3: 600m (10) & 600m (15).

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NRAA grading rules will apply. The averages reported on the NRAA will determine eligibility for B or C grade series. ACTFBTR reserves the right to adjust a published average where obviously "out of character" results have been included. Any competitor wishing to enter above their NRAA grading may do so.

The Tiverton Cup for TR and F Class will be fired on Friday 17 November 2017 – immediately after 600m on Queen's Day 1 – open to composite teams of members belonging to the same State or Territory Association – 10 shots x 4 firers, plus optional non-shooting coach. F Class teams to be composed of two F Standard compliant firers and two F Open compliant firers, noting that many F Class firers could in theory enter one, two or three separate F Class disciplines.

**ENTRY FORM:** You can e-mail your entry via the [editable .pdf form on www.canberrarifleclub.org.au](#)



# Ash Pips B Grader at Ipswich

Article and photos by  
Gordon Collie

Crows Nest shooter Ashley Bidgood just prevailed in the hotly contested 2017 Ipswich Open Prize Shoot.

Ashley set the pace with a strong performance to finish just one shot down on 149 with 17 centres and watched several contenders falter on the final 800 metre range in good shooting conditions.

In the end, it was B Grader Leigh O'Donnell from Pacific who came closest, also one shot down but pipped with 16 centres.

Colin Cole from North Arm shot strongly with 22 centres, but missed a second bull at the final range to finish ahead of Bob Abood from Albert, also two down with 16 centres.



Ashley Bidgood, Crows Nest with Karen Cole, North Arm



Wayne Latham, Natives, the F Standard winner

Half of the strong field which tackled 600 metres twice before lunch were scope shooters.

Natives member Wayne Latham won the F Standard scope competition with 175.15; two shots clear of another B Grade competitor Tim Riddle from North Arm.

Another North Arm shooter Dave Boreham won the F Open, finishing two shots down. Lindsay Crombie from Brisbane was a shot behind, taking second from Beaudesert's Steve Nelson on centres.

Frans Knox from Brisbane won FTR with an aggregate of 175.11.

## Aggregate Results

A Grade		
1	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest 149.017
2	Colin Cole	North Arm 148.022
3	Bob Abood	Albert and Central 148.016
4	Shaun Dolan	Murwillumbah 148.012
5	Shane Abood	Albert and Central 148.011
6	Rob Rush	Ipswich and District 147.017
7	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane 147.014
8	Nick Abrahall	Grafton 147.014
9	Andrew Mayfield	Ipswich and District 147.013
10	John Gilliland	Crows Nest 146.012



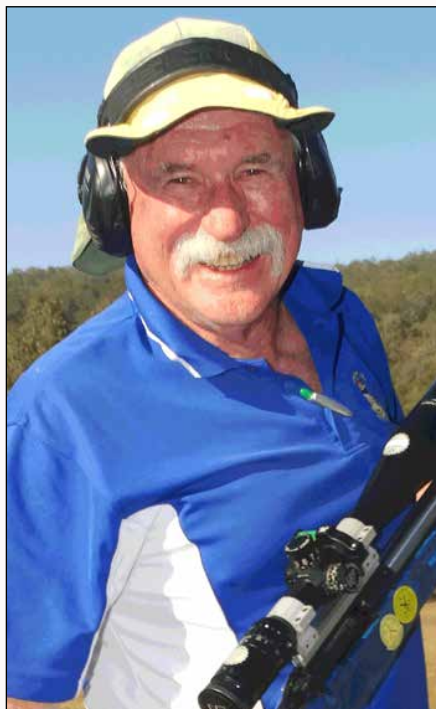
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<b>B Grade</b>			
1	Leigh O'Donnell	Pacific	149.016
2	Rudi Mueller	Natives	147.015
3	Josh Pratt	Natives	145.011
4	Tony Logan	Ipswich and District	145.008
5	Ray Mortimer	Ipswich and District	144.010
6	Kevin Howlett	Natives	144.008
7	Scott Robson	North Arm	142.008
8	Tina Thornhill	Albert and Central	140.006

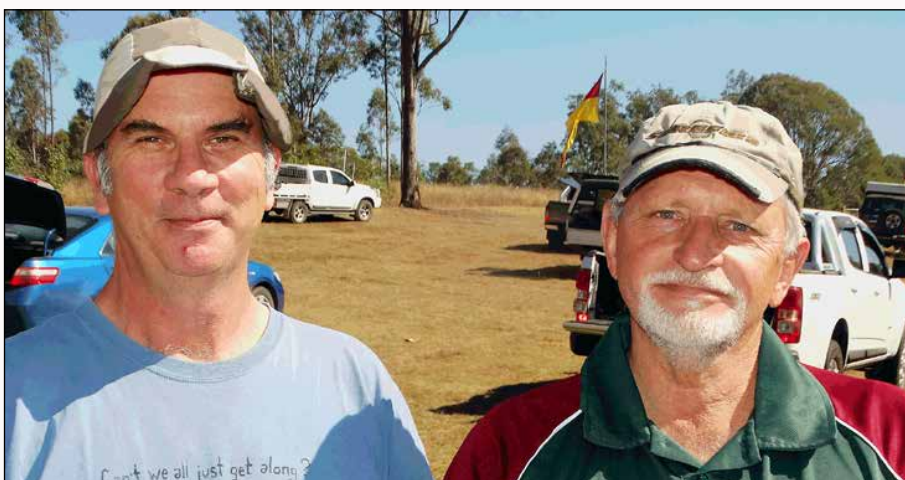
<b>C Grade</b>			
1	Lester Robinson	Ipswich and District	139.009



*Mick Franz and Tim Riddle, North Arm*



*F Open winner Dave Boreham, North Arm*



*Steve Cabot and Noel Davies, Ipswich*



*Frans Knox, Brisbane*



*Craig Clark and Kev Allen, Gatton*



*Damien Tansley and Alex MacPherson, Ipswich*



*Steve Nelson, Beaudesert with Josh Pratt, Natives*



*Tina Thornhill*

- 2 David Nicol Ipswich and District 135.007
- 3 Shane Osborne Ipswich and District 135.007

**F Standard A Grade**

- 1 Wayne Latham Natives 175.015
- 2 Denis Aarons North Arm 172.015
- 3 Bruce Talty Brisbane 172.008
- 4 Dick Blocksidge Albert and Central 172.005
- 5 Alex Macpherson Ipswich and District 171.009

**F Standard B Grade**

- 1 Tim Riddle North Arm 173.008
- 2 Robert Wardrop Darling Downs 172.010
- 3 Ron Bowman Gatton Glenore Gr 169.011
- 4 Ian Marks Brisbane 169.005
- 5 Noel Davies Ipswich and District 167.007

**F Open**

- 1 David Boreham North Arm 178.019
- 2 Lindsay Crombie Brisbane 177.012
- 3 Stephen Nelson Beaudesert 177.010
- 4 George Constantinou Natives 176.015
- 5 Dennis Brown Crows Nest 175.015

**FTR**

- 1 Frans Knox Brisbane 175.011
- 2 Craig Pratt Natives 171.008
- 3 Darin Carruthers Ipswich and District 168.006

# Kiwi Wins Natives Club Prize Meeting

Article and photos  
by Wayne Latham

The Natives Rifle Club two-day Prize Meeting was held on the Belmont range on June 17 and 18, 2017 with attendance bolstered by the welcome presence of veteran shooters who were to compete in the National Veterans Teams matches after the NRAA Championships the following week.

The competition was held on Hexa electronic targets for the second year and as usual they proved thoroughly reliable throughout the two days. These world-class electronic targets have been so successfully integrated into the shooting calendar on the Belmont range that the NRAA decided to use them in the 2017 National Championships.

Brian Carter of Te Puke, New Zealand, put on a wonderful display of marksmanship over the two days to win the Les Perrin Memorial A Grade Grand Aggregate.

Saturday was a near perfect day for shooting and scores were generally high with George Edser of Albert and Central club winning the A Grade Carina Leagues Club Short Range Aggregate with the



Brian Carter - Receiving Les Perrin Shield for A Grade



Brian Carter - Keith Affleck Belt Winner

excellent score of 150.23 from Natives member, Kim O'Loughlen, only one central bull behind. They were closely followed by Ben Emms (Lyndhurst), Ashley Bidgood (Crows Nest/Gumbungee), Ian Noll (Whyalla), Matt Pozzebon (Uni of Qld), Don Thompson (Natives) and Rob Kitson (ATSC UK) all of whom had the maximum 150 points. Robert Johansen (Clevedon, NZ) won B Grade with 148.17 while Sebastian Hopkins (Gold Coast City) won C Grade with 146.20. Mahlon Reid (Boddington 214) won F Class Standard A Grade

with 178.16 while Dick Blocksidge (Albert and District) won F Class Standard B Grade with 177.12. F Class Open went to David Boreham (North Arm) and FTR was won by Mark Fairbairn (Cannon Hill RSL).

## Carina Leagues Short Range Aggregate Results

### A Grade

1	George Edser	Albert and Central	150.023
2	Kim O'Loughlen	Natives	150.022
3	Benjamin Emms	Lyndhurst	150.021
4	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest	150.021
5	Ian Noll	Whyalla Rifle Club	150.017

**B Grade**

1	Robert Johansen	Gisborne NZ	148.017
2	Lyle Vinter	Natives	147.009
3	Tony Logan	Ipswich and District	145.011
4	Rudi Mueller	Natives	145.010
5	Clinton Whyte	Kaituna Blenheim NZ	143.012

**C Grade**

1	Bas Hopkins	Gold Coast City	146.020
2	Michael Halpin	Natives	137.007
3	David Nicol	Ipswich and District	133.009

**F Standard A Grade**

1	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	178.016
2	Brian Pickles	Natives	175.019
3	Denis Aarons	North Arm	172.011
4	David Cole	Yarloop	172.005
5	Cory Lang	Brisbane	171.008

**F Standard B Grade**

1	Dick Blocksidge	Albert and Central	177.012
2	Wayne Latham	Natives	175.011
3	Peter Drew	Brisbane	170.013
4	Darin Carruthers	Ipswich and District	166.007
5	Thomas Basterfield	Natives	165.007

**F Open**

1	David Boreham	North Arm	180.011
2	Alan Seaman	Manly	179.021
3	John Tracey	University of Qld	177.019
4	Josh Reid	Ipswich and District	175.012
5	Lindsay Crombie	Brisbane	173.013

**FTR**

1	Mark Fairbairn	Cannon Hill RSL	175.012
2	Andrew Blaiklock	Brisbane Mariners	174.014
3	Daryl Barlow	Ipswich and District	174.011
4	Nikki Slee	Cannon Hill RSL	174.010
5	Geoff Willis	Bathurst	174.009

Sunday was a very different day weather-wise with blustery, quick-changing winds playing havoc with scores in the Berger Bullets Long Range Match. However, Brian Carter (Te Puke, NZ) mastered the weather and produced the only 150 point possible on the day. Brian was followed by Shane Abood (Albert and Central) 148.16 and Ashley Bidgood (Crows Nest/Gumbungee) 147.18. In B Grade, Neil Harris (Brisbane) won with 143.12 and in C Grade, Sebastian Hopkins (Gold Coast City) again took first place with 144.11. F Class Standard A Grade was won by Nathan Johnson (Brisbane Mariners) with 171.5 while F Class Standard B Grade went to Ron Bowman (Gatton Lenore) on 162.7. Josh Reid (Ipswich District) won F Class Open with 177.13 while Andrew Blaiklock (Brisbane Mariners) won FTR on 177.8.



Rudi Mueller - B Grade Winner

**Berger Long Range Second Day Aggregate Results**

**A Grade**

1	Brian Carter	Te Puke NZ	150.018
2	Shane Abood	Albert and Central	148.016
3	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest	147.018
4	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane	147.015
5	Matthew Pozzebon	University of Qld	146.013

**B Grade**

1	Neil Harris	Brisbane	143.012
2	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla Rifle Club	142.010
3	Rudi Mueller	Natives	142.009
4	Luke Baker	Natives	135.007
5	Tina Thornhill	Albert and Central	135.004

**C Grade**

1	Bas Hopkins	Gold Coast City	144.011
2	Michael Halpin	Natives	116.004
3	David Nicol	Ipswich and District	115.003

**F Standard A Grade**

1	Nathan Johnson	Brisbane Mariners	171.005
2	David Cole	Yarloop	169.006
3	Denis Aarons	North Arm	168.008
4	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	163.006
5	Mal Lubach	Albert and Central	161.004

**F Standard B Grade**

1	Ron Bowman	Gatton Glenore Gr	162.007
2	Peter Drew	Brisbane	161.004
3	Wayne Latham	Natives	160.006
4	Dick Blocksidge	Albert and Central	160.005
5	Marty Duffield	Brisbane Mariners	159.000

**F Open**

1	Josh Reid	Ipswich and District	177.013
2	David Boreham	North Arm	176.009
3	Alan Seaman	Manly	175.012
4	John Tracey	University of Qld	173.003
5	Lindsay Crombie	Brisbane	172.013



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Sebastian Hopkins - C Grade Winner

<b>FTR</b>			
1	Andrew Blaiklock	Brisbane Mariners	177.008
2	Nikki Slee	Cannon Hill RSL	171.008
3	Jason Mayers	Brisbane	170.007
4	Frans Knox	Brisbane	168.008
5	George Constantinou	Natives	166.005

As mentioned earlier, the two-day Les Perrin Memorial A Grade Grand Aggregate was won by Brian Carter (Te Puke, NZ) with a score of 298.35 with No. 2 badge going to Ashley Bidgood (Crows Nest/Gumbungee) 297.39 and No. 3 badge to Matt Pozzebon (Uni of Qld) 296.30.

Rudi Mueller (Natives) won B Grade with 287.19 holding off Malcolm Flavel (Whyalla) 284.15 and Neil Harris (Brisbane) 283.23.



Dick Blocksidge - F Class B Grade Winner

The C Grade No. 1 badge went to Sebastian Hopkins (Gold Coast City) with 290.31 which saw him promoted to B Grade for the Nationals. Michael Halpin (Natives) took the No. 2 C Grade badge with 253.11. F Class Standard A Grade was won by Mahlon Reid (Boddington 214) on 341.22 ahead of David Cole (Yarloop) 341.11 and Denis Aarons (North Arm) 340.19. F Class Standard B Grade went to Dick Blocksidge on 337.17 from Wayne Latham (Natives) 335.17 and Peter Drew (Brisbane) 331.17. The F Class Open badge No.1 went to David Boreham (North Arm) on 356.20 followed by Alan Seaman (Manly) and Josh Reid (Ipswich and District) 352.25. FTR was won by Andrew Blaiklock (Brisbane



Andrew Blaiklock - FTR Winner

Mariners) 351.22 with No. 2 badge going to Nikki Slee (Cannon Hill RSL) 345.18 and No. 3 badge went to Frans Knox (Brisbane) 340.15.

**Grand Aggregate - Les Perrin Memorial - Results**

<b>A Grade</b>			
1	Brian Carter	Te Puke NZ	298.035
2	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest	297.039
3	Matthew Pozzebon	University of Qld	296.030
4	Kim O'Loghlen	Natives	295.030
5	Peter Thurtell	Wingham	294.033
6	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane	293.034
7	Rob Kitson	ATSC UK	293.032
8	Don Thompson	Natives	292.025
9	Rob Cadden	Albert and Central	292.024
10	James Spence	Brisbane	292.022



Mahlon Reid - F Class A Grade Winner

<b>B Grade</b>			
1	Rudi Mueller	Natives	287.019
2	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla Rifle Club	284.015
3	Neil Harris	Brisbane	283.023
4	Robert Johansen	Gisborne NZ	278.028
5	Clinton Whyte	Kaituna Blenheim NZ	277.020

<b>C Grade</b>			
1	Bas Hopkins	Gold Coast City	290.031
2	Michael Halpin	Natives	253.011
3	David Nicol	Ipswich and District	248.012

<b>F Standard A Grade</b>			
1	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	341.022
2	David Cole	Yarloop	341.011
3	Denis Aarons	North Arm	340.019
4	Mal Lubach	Albert and Central	330.013
5	Brian Pickles	Natives	327.024

<b>F Standard B Grade</b>			
1	Dick Blocksidge	Albert and Central	337.017



David Boreham - F Open Winner



*James Spence, Brisbane on the 1000 yard range at Belmont*

2	Wayne Latham	Natives	335.017
3	Peter Drew	Brisbane	331.017
4	Darin Carruthers	Ipswich and District	324.012
5	Ron Bowman	Gatton Glenore Gr	323.013

**F Open**

1	David Boreham	North Arm	356.020
2	Alan Seaman	Manly	354.033
3	Josh Reid	Ipswich and District	352.025
4	John Tracey	University of Qld	350.022
5	Lindsay Crombie	Brisbane	345.026

**FTR**

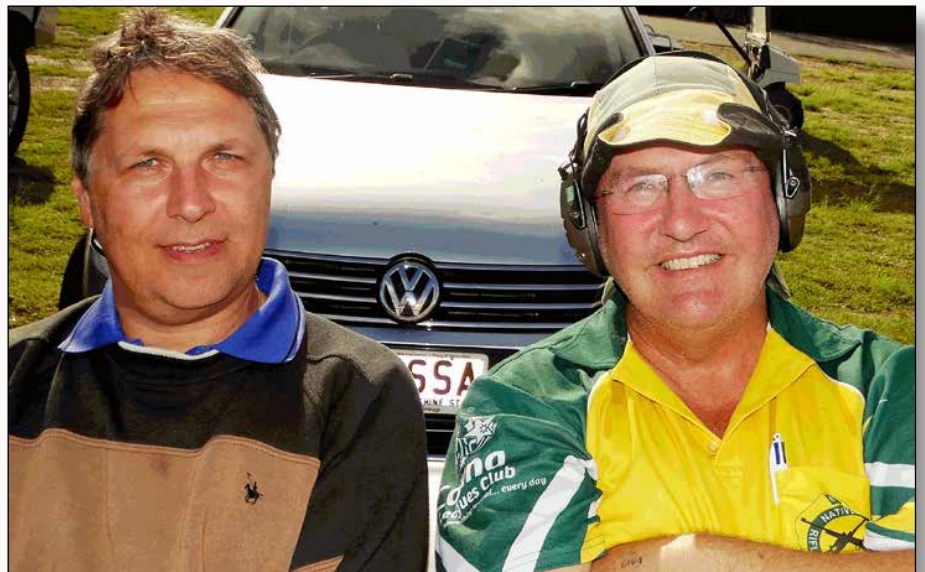
1	Andrew Blaiklock	Brisbane Mariners	351.022
2	Nikki Slee	Cannon Hill RSL	345.018
3	Frans Knox	Brisbane	340.015
4	George Constantinou	Natives	339.020
5	Jason Mayers	Brisbane	339.012



*Andrew Blaiklock, Mariners with George Constantinou, Natives*



*Natives aggregate and Keith Affleck Belt winner Brian Carter, TePuke, NZ*



*Dmitri Kazakov, Roseville, NSW with Steve Smith, Natives*

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Following the conclusion of the main competition, the top ten Target Rifle shooters in the Grand Aggregate shot off, shoulder to shoulder, at 1000 yards for the Keith Affleck Belt, a perpetual trophy donated by Keith; a long-time member of the Natives Club. Brian Carter (Te Puke, NZ) continued his good form to win the Belt with a great 49.6 being just enough to hold off Ashley Bidgood of Crows Nest/Goombungee and Matt Pozzebon (Uni of Qld) both on the same score of 49.3.

**Top Ten Shoot-off - the Keith Affleck Belt**

1	Brian Carter	Te Puke NZ	10VV5XVV455V	49.006	448.6
2	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane	10555X5XX5X4	49.004	408.4
3	Matthew Pozzebon	University of Qld	1055V45V55V5	49.003	471
4	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest G/bungee	105XX4555V55	49.003	517.6
5	James Spence	Brisbane	10V55545555V	49.002	522.5
6	Peter Thurtell	Wingham	10XV4554VV55	48.004	439
7	Rob Kitson	ATSC UK	105X555X45V4	48.003	508.6
8	Rob Cadden	Albert and Central	10V555V53555	48.002	709.3
9	Kim O'Loghlen	Natives	105X54435355	44.001	741.1
10	Don Thompson	Natives	10325X5V45VM	39.003	∞



*Gretchen and Tony Hopkins, Gold Coast*



*Marty Duffield, Mariners with Dave Boreham, North Arm*



*David Nicol from Ipswich, a new face on the competition circuit*



*Bob Cramp, Pacific with John Simons, Broken Hill.*

Lindsay Crombie (Brisbane) was the lucky entry whose name was drawn to win the \$500 voucher to be spent at the Q-Store. Natives Club member, Peter Scovell, was delighted to win the raffle for the Canty sight generously donated by fellow club member, Tom Canty. The Natives Club was very pleased to be supported this year by Berger Bullets who provided projectiles as

trophies for the two-day Aggregate in TR, F Open and FTR disciplines. The Club was also once again kindly supported by the Carina Leagues Club, Tingalpa Landscape Supplies, Snack Brands Australia, the Menzel family and the Queensland Rifle Association. The Natives Club is very appreciative of all the sponsors who help to make the competition a success.



# Welcome Beaudesert Win for Brendan

Article and photos by  
Gordon Collie

A change of scenery seems to have agreed with Brendan Parkins who held his nerve to close out a tense Beaudesert Prize Shoot win.

Brendan calmly delivered when needing a possible 50 on the final 500 yard range to pip Lee Robinson with another Beaudesert local Ryan Biss a close third.

There were some outstanding scores in good weather conditions for the contest over 300 yards and 500 yards twice on July 2.

Brendan who has moved from the Downs to live at Rosewood and joined Albert and District Rifle Club, was happy with just his second Open win; one shot down on 149 with 17 centres.

Lee Robinson was among the high flyers early in the day with a 50.9, but two misses on the final range were costly as he finished with a 48.8 for an aggregate 148.22.

Young Natives member Josh Pratt, 14, followed up his outstanding C Grade win in the National Queens a week earlier by topping a strong B Grade field, finishing just two shots down on 148.12.

There was strong F Class competition with scope shooters comprising well over half the Beaudesert field.

Another Beaudesert shooter Di Hannel, was in blistering form with a possible 180.20 to snare the F Open by a shot from Brisbane's Lindsay Crombie.



Beaudesert winner Brendan Parkins, Albert and District



B Grade winner Josh Pratt, Natives

Philip Brook from Brisbane was happy with his winning form in FTR, in which he finished just one shot down on 179.23.

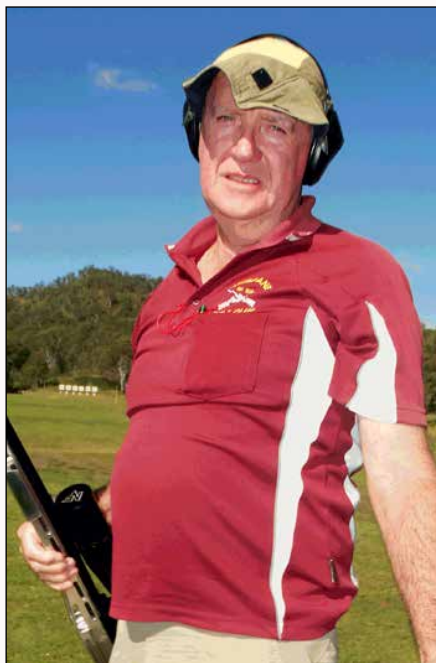
Regular competitor Brian Pickles from Natives won the F Standard class with an aggregate 176.8.

## Results

A Grade		
1	Brendan Parkins	Albert District QLD 149.17
2	Lee Robinson	Beaudesert QLD 148.22
3	Ryan Biss	Beaudesert QLD 148.15



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Lindsay Crombie, Brisbane

4	Danny O Meara	Gold Coast QLD	147.13
5	Shaun Dolan	Murwillumbah QLD	147.12
6	Colin Jones	Central QLD	146.15
7	Ken Lobwein	Ipswich QLD	146.14
8	Garry Henderson	Natives QLD	144.13

**B Grade**

1	Josh Pratt	Natives QLD	148.12
2	Bas Hopkins	Gold Coast QLD	147.12
3	Bill Heaton	Beaudesert QLD	147.12
4	Kevin Howlett	Natives QLD	144.15
5	Rudi Mueller	Natives QLD	143.8
6	Mark Garbutt	Beaudesert NSW	142.13
7	Tina Thornhill	Central QLD	142.10
8	Shane Kao	Darling Downs QLD	141.11
9	Elizabeth Colquitt	Beaudesert QLD	140.11
10	Rob Howie	Brisbane QLD	139.5

**C Grade**

1	David Nicol	Ipswich QLD	143.10
2	Brian Dryburgh	Beaudesert	128.2

**F Standard A Grade**

1	Brian Pickles	Natives QLD	176.8
2	Bruce Talty	Brisbane QLD	174.14
3	Mahlon Reid	Boddington WA	174.12
4	Richard Blocksidge	Albert District QLD	173.13
5	Mal Lubach	Albert District QLD	172.10
6	Henk Doggen	Beaudesert QLD	170.8

**F Standard B Grade**

1	Steven Ross	Beaudesert QLD	172.11
2	Marty Duffield	Brisbane QLD	172.9
3	Mitchell Pyke	Darling Downs QLD	172.5
4	Shawn Birch	Crows Nest QLD	171.6
5	Neil Austin	Crows Nest QLD	164.5
6	Claire Ryan	Beaudesert QLD	161.7



Sebastian Hopkins, Gold Coast with his mother, Gretchen



Beaudesert F Standard winner Brian Pickles, Natives



Phil Brook, Brisbane, happy with his Beaudesert FTR win

**F Open**

1	Dianne Hannel	Beaudesert QLD	180.20
2	Lindsay Crombie	Brisbane QLD	179.19
3	Dave Boreham	North Arm QLD	178.16
4	Steve Nelson	Beaudesert QLD	177.18
5	Lindsay Schneider	Albert District QLD	173.9
6	Kelvin Bell	Albert District QLD	173.7
7	Peter Broom	Beaudesert QLD	172.8
8	Allan Hannel	Beaudesert QLD	165.4

**FTR**

1	Philip Brook	Brisbane QLD	179.23
2	Frans Knox	Brisbane QLD	178.15
3	Jason Mayers	Brisbane QLD	178.12
4	Mike Samuels	Beaudesert QLD	175.15
5	Mike Willment	Beaudesert QLD	174.11
6	Craig Pratt	Natives QLD	174.10
7	George Constantinou	Natives QLD	170.7
8	Ron Millingen	Murwillumbah QLD	165.6
9	Les Pedersen	Darling Downs QLD	163.8



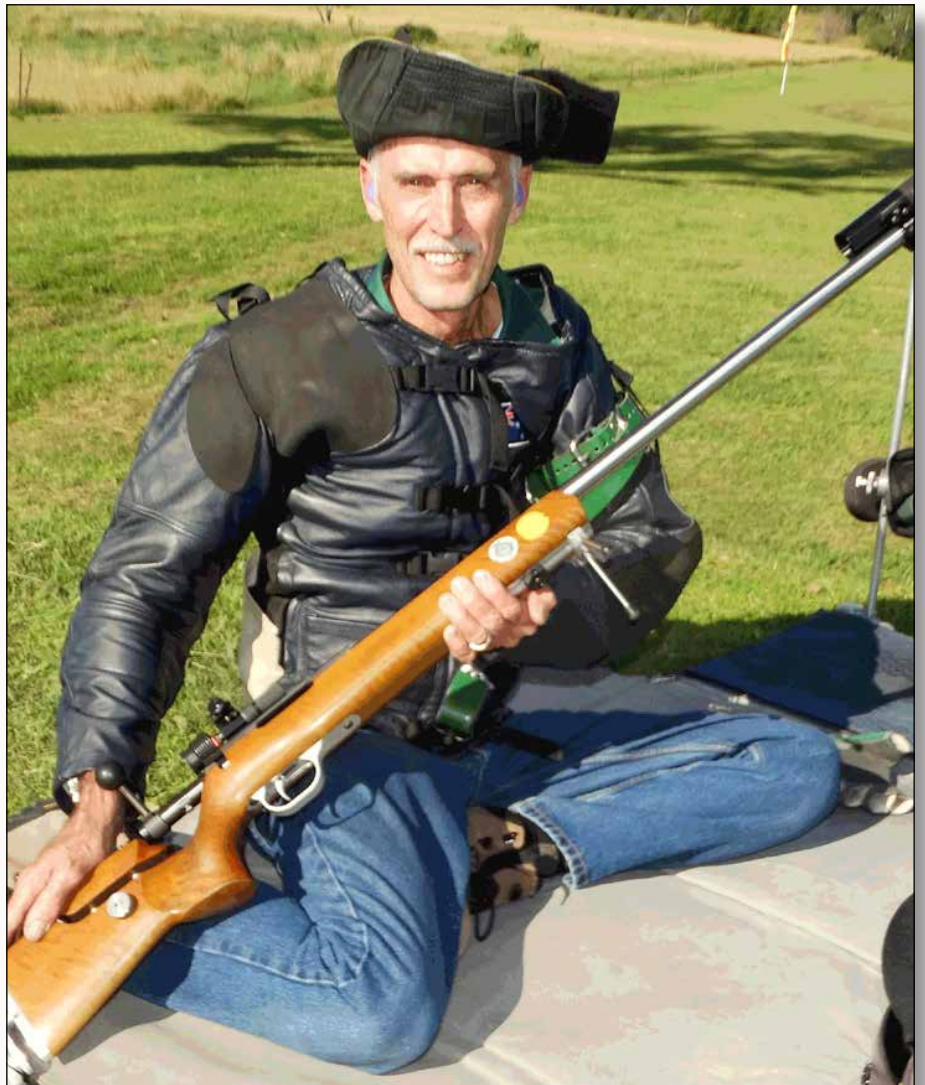
*Beaudesert members Laurie Berry and Peter Broom*



*F Open winner Di Hannel, Beaudesert*



*Lee Robinson, Beaudesert*



*Gary Henderson, Natives*

# Yunta's Inaugural 2-Day Open Prize Meeting

Article and photos  
by Roslyn Breeding

Many shooters visiting Yunta (in SA's North East pastoral district) for the Rifle Club's inaugural two-day Open Prize Meeting on August 5-6, anticipated kinder temperatures than at previous Yunta Christmas Shoots (up to 45°). In complete contrast, the mercury just nudged 15° with arctic winds blowing all weekend!

Hampered by Friday night's icy winds and a scud of rain, caravaners and campers retreated to the heated clubhouse to partake of a hot dinner - and check Saturday's weather forecast (which wasn't good!)

And what better way to spend your wedding night than at the Yunta OPM? Trevor and Lisa Wilkes married on Friday morning, before heading to Yunta; a solid demonstration of a shooters devotion (.....to shooting!).

Forty-seven shooters braved the shooting mound to compete at the 300 and the 500 before lunch on Saturday. A 600 range was shot in the afternoon with the flags still flapping wildly. The Hexta targets are trailer-mounted and are towed to the allocated range; thus, only one shooting mound is required.



Esteemed SA rifle shooter Gordon Harrison is presented with his trophy -donated by Dan van Holst Pellekaan MP- by Yunta RC captain Warren Breeding -Gordon won the second 700 metre



## S.A.R.A. News

From the Executive Officer's Office

### SARA AGM

The SARA AGM will be held before the East v's West competition on October 29 at Lower Light. A notice will be sent to all members.

### EAST v's WEST COMPETITION

Nominations for captains, coaches and shooters for Target Rifle and F Class are now being called for the East v's West Competition that

will be held on October 29, 2017. Nominations are to be forwarded to the SARA Office by October 3, 2017. A notice has been sent to all clubs.

### NEW MEMBERS

SARA would like to welcome the following new members: Christo Dimogides, Service Rifle Club; Peter Male, Mt Barker Rifle Club and Ayden Dodds, Mt Gambier Rifle Club. Welcome to all.

The heated clubhouse was again a welcome haven from the afternoon's cold winds. Whilst some enjoyed the delicious afternoon tea, others headed for the Bar.

The Day One prizes were presented by Yunta captain Warren Breeding who thanked all for their attendance and commended sponsors for their generous support. Warren spoke of Club members' pride in staging Yunta's first two-day Open Prize Meeting. A single-day Open Prize Meeting was held up until the late 1980's at the previous range.

### DAY ONE Aggregates

A Grade		
Philip Bradshaw	Cyclists and Torrens Valley	147.10
B Grade		
Mick Casey	Pt Augusta	144.4
C Grade		
Chris Green	Cyclists and Torrens Valley	133.8



*Shooters on the mound at the YUNTA OPM - Yes, that is a racetrack alongside - and look at those flags fly*

**F Standard A**

Trevor Wilkes Pt Pirie 175.2

**F Standard B**

Chris Tucker Maitland 165.4

**F Open**

Roger Francis Maitland 171.2

With appetites at a premium, Kerry and Roslyn had a big job to feed the 70-plus attendees all weekend, but they were assisted in the busy kitchen by a number of visiting ladies - who much preferred to be in the kitchen than outdoors!

With the Hexta targets working beautifully and every shot being instantly revealed on the clubhouse big-screen television, supporters did their 'barracking' from under the heater rather than out in the cold!

Bruce Daniel of Hex Systems (Sydney), very kindly attended the Yunta Shoot (again) to ensure everything ran smoothly. The Yunta Rifle Club is extremely grateful for this ongoing support. The recording and uploading of all scores was efficiently managed by Don Flynn (of Roxby Downs) who always does an outstanding job.

Saturday night's spit-roasted pork and mutton was served with a variety of veggies and followed by hot sweets - and was enjoyed by all. Day two dawned with the weather



*Yuntas Hexta targets are trailer mounted and towed to the different locations up the range, thus the shooters conveniently fire from the one mound all day - a much-admired innovation*



*Warming themselves in the Yunta Rifle Club and Racing Clubhouse were Malcolm Flavel Whyalla with Chris Trucker and Bill Gillis Maitland Rifle Club*



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no better at all. The program was modified with three 700 metre ranges shot. Again, a hot lunch was served before the prizes were distributed.

The Yunta Club was highly praised for running a very successful shoot and the offering of lavish prizes.

The catering ladies were commended on the quantity and quality of tucker served throughout the weekend.

Whilst some visitors braved the windy conditions on the Barrier Highway, about forty stayed on to watch the Crows v Power AFL 'Showdown' on the telly (Yay Crows!!) - before another hot dinner was served.

**DAY TWO Aggregates**

**A Grade**

Philip Bradshaw Cyclists and Torrens Valley 295.45

**B Grade**

Mick Casey Pt Augusta 286.15

**C Grade**

Len Wilkes Pt Pirie 268.8

**F Standard A**

Steve Walters Pt Augusta 345.22

**F Standard B**

Chris Tucker Maitland 327.10

**F Open**

Roger Francis Maitland 338.18



*Greg Klopp -right- of Maitland Rifle Club is congratulated by YRC captain Warren Breeding after winning the B Grade Aggregate at Yuntas inaugural 2-day Open Prize Meeting*

**2017 Yunta OPM**

**Aggregate winners**

**A Grade**

Philip Bradshaw Cyclists and Torrens Valley 295.45

**B Grade**

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See the NRAA (<https://www.nraa.com.au/inaugural-yunta-opm-on-the-new-range-results/>) and Hex Systems websites (<http://shooting.hexsystems.com.au/competition/view-in-club-by-date?clubId=19&day=6&month=8&year=2017>) for all Yunta OPM results.



*The 75 people attending the Yunta OPM enjoyed the spit-roasted pork and mutton, prepared by local chap Mick Blanchard*

# The North West Run

Article and photos by  
Anna Whittemore

The following articles for Meekatharra, Chapman Valley, Geraldton-Greenough and North West DRA Prize Meeting represent the North West Run - a great trip to make. Winter in WA is best spent in the north of the State, with plenty of sunshine and wildflowers.

## Meekatharra Rifle Club

The Meekatharra Rifle Club held their prize meeting over July 16 and 17.

This year 37 shooters made the trip - most camping on the range. Meekatharra is 773 kilometres north east of Perth. Saturday was blustery but warm with 900 yards particularly challenging on the Sunday afternoon.

Brothers Paul and Peter Watkins began at 300 yards with 50.06 starting a tussle which lasted over the weekend, with Division 2 shooter Nathan Winter also on 50.6; Dave Littlely with a 60.4 in F Standard, Bill Hallam and Keys Vant Veer both scored 59.05 in F Open; and Paul Smith 56 in FTR.

The Saturday aggregate went to Peter Watkins dropping just two points, followed by Division 2 shooter Nathan Winter on 196.19 with Paul Watkins just four centrals behind. F Standard was won by C Keogh on 233.13, followed by Ron Lockley 231.12 and Ashley Norwood on 229.09. F Open was won by B Hallam 237.22 followed by Keys on 222.13. Local P Smith



Target Rifle Winners at Meekatharra

took out FTR with a score of 208.2 followed by Neil Winter on 193.11.

The warmth and mirage provided a challenge over the long ranges on Sunday, with Nathan Winter continuing his winning form on 144.11 counting out Ian Syme. Paul Watkins was third, trailing just one central behind. Cath Keogh in F Standard on 170.13 was too good for D Blechynden on 166.11. Mal Logan was next on 165.07. The battle for F Open continued with Bill Hallam 170.7; just one point ahead of Keys Vant Veer. P Smith with a score of 157.06 took out FTR.

## Final Results Over Seven

### Ranges:

#### Target Rifle

Nathan Winter	340.30 (Div 2)
Paul Watkins	340.25
I Syme	338.24
B Barrett	327.26 (Div 2)

#### F Class Standard

C Keogh	403.26
D Blechynden	394.24
R Lockley	393.17



F Class Winners at Meekatharra

#### F Open

B Hallam	407.29
K Vant Veer	391.16

#### FTR

P Smith	365.08
N Winter	331.14

Special thanks go out to the members of the Meekatharra Club for a successful meet.

**PS:** D Blechynden and M Eaton had an altercation with a road train on their way home. Both were taken to hospital - Denis with cracked ribs. Thankfully both are recovering well.

## Is Your Club Planning an Event in 2017?

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# The Chapman Valley Rifle Club PM

The Chapman Valley Rifle Club Prize Meeting was held on the last weekend in July. Heavy rain leading up to Friday made the road up to the range quite treacherous with cars and vans - even of the very experienced drivers - slipping and sliding on the newly graded road. A total of 23 Target Rifle and 18 F Class competitors attended.

A mid-day start in sunshine was welcomed, with Paul Watkins and Laurie Mackay (Target Rifle) both ending the day on 100; with Paul just two v-bulls ahead. F Standard was won by Tony Whittemore on 118.07 with G Purdy following on 117.09. In F Open Bruce Piper was ahead scoring 118.04 with K Vant Veer next on 116.04. FTR went to Anna Whittemore 116.04, followed by P Smith on 98.02.

Sunday started with misty rain but did not interrupt the program. The day was won by local shooter C

Dewar 174.22, with L Mackay and Nathan Lauritsen also on 174 but eight and nine v-bulls behind. In F Standard Ashley Norwood and M Reid both recorded 207 with Ashley ahead by four X's and T Whittemore placed third on 203.13. Anna Whittemore won FTR with 199.13.

## Final results

### Target Rifle

L Mackay	274.24
Peter Watkins	272.29
M Farrell	271.24

### F Standard

A Norwood	432.22
M Reid	422.21
T Whittemore	421.20

### F Open

K Vant Veer	412.23
B Piper	412.14
N Hunt	406.31



Laurie Mackay - winner at Chapman Valley

### FTR

A Whittemore	400.25
P Smith	363.09
R Bryan	350.09

Many thanks are extended to C Dewar, B Alden and all the Club members for another great Prize Meeting - the camp oven dinner on Saturday night was again well received.



Chapman Valley Rifle Range



# North West DRA Prize Meeting

The final competition on the North West Run was the North West DRA Prize Meeting. A total of 70 shooters - split 50/50 between the two disciplines participated, with seven targets operating. Saturday began with very light wind and continued with basically the same conditions over the two days.

L Mackay stated his intentions from the outset, being the only shooter to finish the day unscathed on



B Hallam, winner of F Open

200.23. N Hughes was in second place just one point behind and D Felton trailed by two points. Division 2 went to L Felton 197.19 followed by D Martin 195.16 and P Polden 195.12.

Division 3 was won by Paul Joyce 193.14, followed by K Samuel 190.17 and D White 187.16.

In F Standard the places were as follows: T Whittemore 237.22, A Norwood 236.17 and C Keogh 235.22. In Division 2 the top places were held by J Moore 232.20, T Ferres 228.15 and R Lockley 228.14.

B Hallam took F Open with a score of 239.22. Next were R Kinnear 236.21 and D Ogle 234.18.

In FTR A Whittemore was ahead on 234.19, closely followed by new shooters B Lemmon 234.15 and J Boyes 232.18.

The great weather continued on Sunday. But the mirage proved a challenge, especially at 900 yards.

I Syme and L Mackay both ended the day with 173 points - Ian just one v-bull ahead. Division 3 shooter P Joyce recorded 173.10 with R Brooks in Division 2 scoring 170.14. F Standard was taken by M Reid on 204.11 and Division 2 went to R Lockley with 199.08.



F Standard winner M Reid

In F Open the winner was B Hallam on 207.14, just one point ahead of R Kinnear; with A Whittemore taking FTR one point ahead of A Timms. (Proving that a .223 can do the deed with a very pleasing 60.9 at 800 yards).

The DRA teams match - made up of scores over the long ranges with two Target Rifle and two



# Geraldton Greenough Picnic Shoot

The next stop from Chapman Valley on the North West run was at Greenough for the Geraldton Greenough Picnic Shoot, held on the following Friday (August 4, 2017) for three long ranges. The weather was fine and sunny; with the wheat crop between the mounds making the range a picture. The addition of extra embroidered badges made by Mrs Piper were well worth battling for.

## Results

### Target Rifle Division 1

N Hughes	149.17
Paul Watkins	147.12
G Wittorff	147.09

### Target Rifle Division 2

K Samuel	143.08
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J Hitch	142.15
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B Lloyd	140.05
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### F Standard

(was won by Division 2 Shooters)

H Harris	174.13
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J Moore	174.10
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C Keogh	173.10
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### F Open

B Piper	176.12
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K Vant Veer	176.11
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R Kinnear	174.14
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### FTR

J Boyes	167.08
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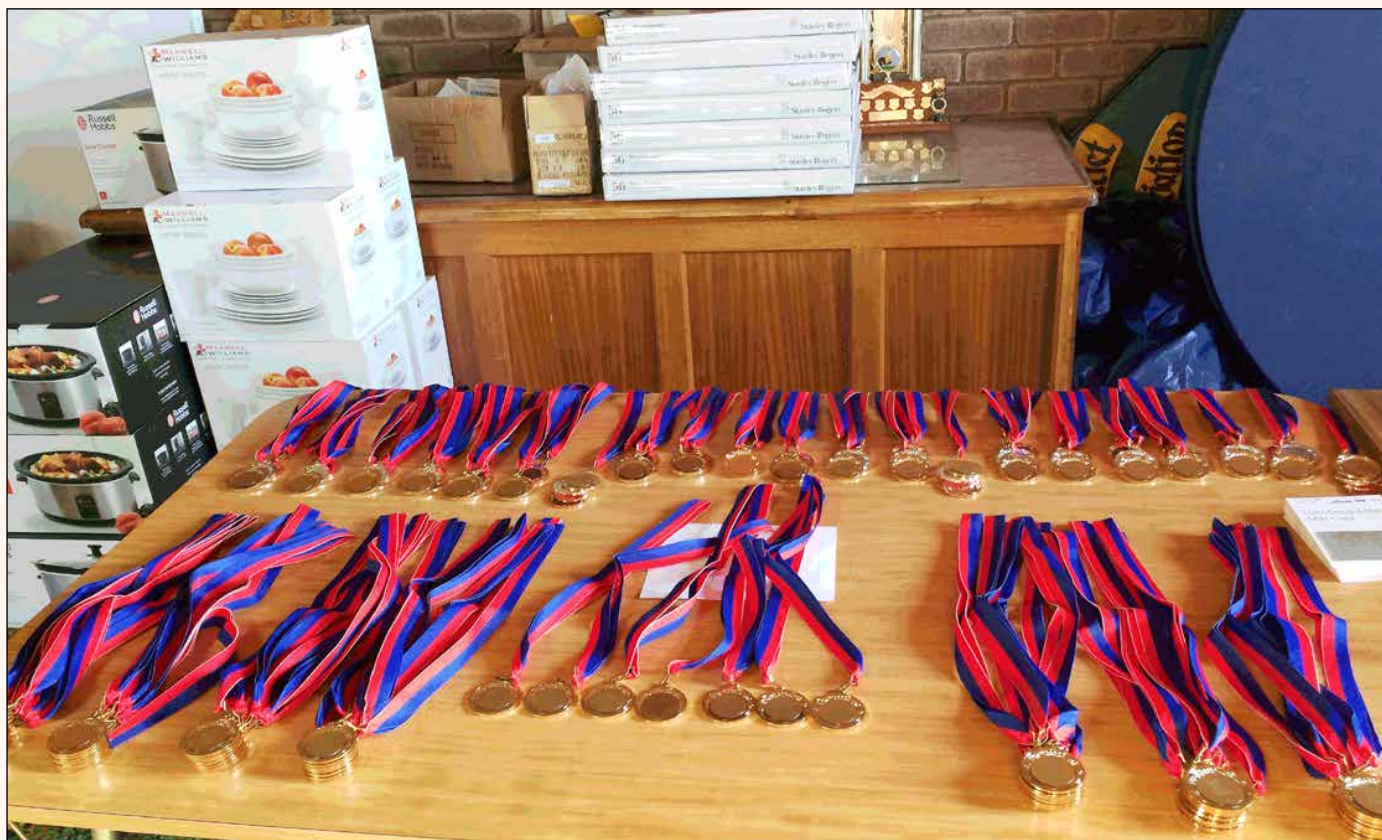
V Bliss	158.06
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R Bryan	157.03
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Anna and Nathan

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NWDRA Medals

F Standard shooters was won by the Metropolitan DRA two points ahead of the North West.

The NWDRA awarded an impressive number of medals, badges and prizes.

**Badge winners**

**Target Rifle**

L Mackay	373.36 + the D and E Marsden Medal
N Hughes	370.41
I Syme	369.34
D Felton	369.33
G Filgate	365.40
P Joyce	365.24
Peter Watkins	364.35
R Brooks	363.22
N Lauritsen	362.27
M Farrell	362.24

**F Standard**

M Reid	439.32
C Keogh	436.35
T Whittemore	435.31
M Logan	433.20
G Purdy	431.24

**F Open**

B Hallam	446.36
R Kinnear	442.36
B Piper	431.28

**FTR**

A Whittemore	434.34
A Timms	431.29
B Lemmon	431.26

Thanks go to all NWDRA members who made the weekend possible; to range officers for their dedication to the rules; to all the workers in the

kitchens and behind the bars for all the prize meetings; and a special thanks to Donna Farrell who does all the statistics for most of the Prize Meetings held in Western Australia.

(Congratulations to Brad Winter on the birth of a son - he now has a Pidgeon pair).



NWDRA Badges

# Shoot for Autism - Grantville Rifle Club

Article and photos  
by Brad Steer

The Fourth Annual "Shoot for Autism" charity event - proudly sponsored by **Nightforce Optics and the Fitzroy/Caulfield Rifle Club** - took place at the Grantville Rifle Club on May 20, 2017. This event is now one of the premier prize meetings in Victoria (if not Australia) outside the Queens Prize.

The charity raises funds for the Southern Autistic School Victoria, who provide specialist educational opportunities for students with autism.

Early fog hampered the commencement of proceedings with a record number of entries eager to begin shooting on the new electronic targets. Once the sun broke through, conditions were ideal and a swag of excellent scores were shot on the day.

Competitors from across Victoria attended the shoot - helping raise \$5300; much needed funds for a STAR Program for the School.

Southern Autistic School has a vision to become a centre of expertise in delivery of education for children with autism. To enable us to achieve this we need to provide our staff with quality training in evidence based practices, maintain



F Class Standard A Grade winner Jason O'Rourke accepts his prize barrel from Dave Brewster

fidelity of implementation amongst instructional staff and consistently embed these practices within our school programs.

STAR (Strategies for Teaching based on Autism Research) provides a

curricula and interventions based on the principles of applied behaviour analysis (ABA) that has the potential to direct and support the SAS pedagogy and professional development training. STAR includes the research based instructional strategies of discrete trial training, pivotal response training and functional routines. The focus of the training and curricula is on the child and the functional skills he/she needs to learn to be an active, engaged member of the school, home and community.

STAR has the potential to increase the capacity of our school staff to support the learning needs of our students with autism from preschool through to post-secondary, by providing sustainable local resources to assist the implementation of evidence based practices.

It's amazing the lengths some people will go to support children with Autism. Ben Carpeggiani kindly volunteered to shave all facial and head hair to raise a further \$500.



John Eland, Brad Steer and Justin Walsh (Southern Autistic School)

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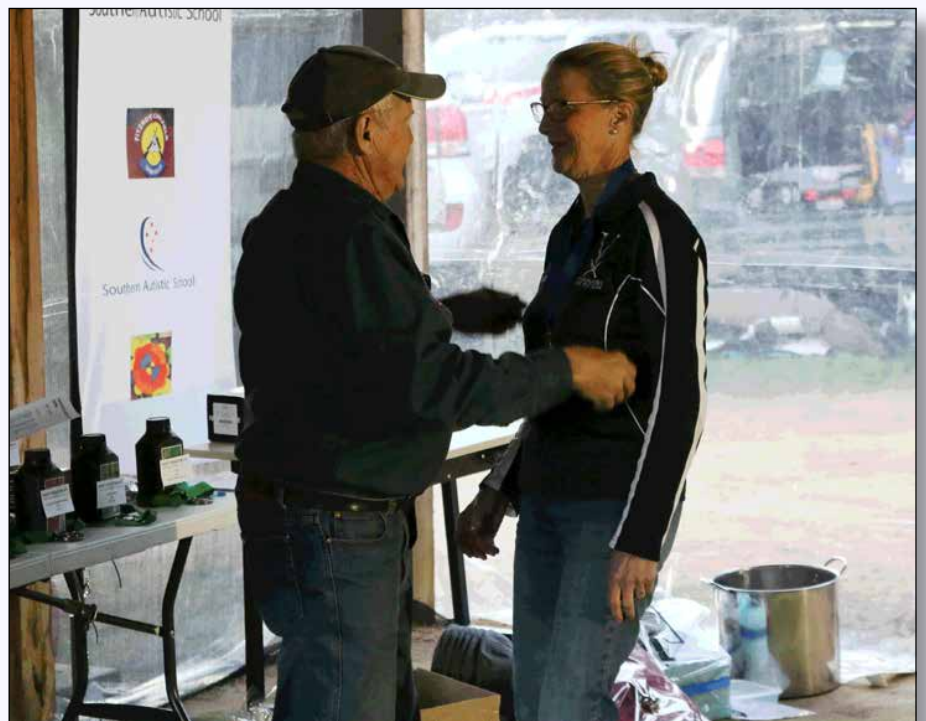
John Eland presents the cheque to Natalie Walsh from Southern Autistic School

Nightforce continued their sponsorship (third year) providing a NXS 8 - 32 x 56mm scope, which raised \$2075. Organisers would like to congratulate winner, Allan Carli. A big thank also goes to Jamie Dennis from Light force situated in South Australia, who is the Australian importer of NF scopes and arranged the sponsorship.

The event is growing annually and the prizes are second to none, with over \$3000 of prizes up for grabs.

Charity organisers look forward to the ongoing partnership with Nightforce Optics, Grantville Rifle Club, Carpeggiani Family, Brewster Barrels, ADI, Master AFC, Winterhalter, Marum and Cumming families, ZTE and Brumbies Bakery Eden Rise.

Event organisers would like to thank Rod Gray, Tom Donaldson and Ben Carpeggiani for their tireless work



Target Rifle A Grade winner Gayle Sewell



Shooters at 500 yards

ensuring the electronic targets were ready for the event.

Justin Walsh, Vice Principal of Southern Autistic School attended presentations; thanking all sponsors and competitors for their kind support of the event.

To date, the Shoot for Autism and the Grantville Rifle Club has raised over \$17,000. This is a great testament to everyone involved.

**2017 Shoot for Autism Results**

**Target Rifle - A Grade**

1	Sewell Gayle	Wodonga VIC	150.26
2	Brewster David	Fitzroy/Caulfield VIC	150.25
3	Horsnell Mark	Werribee VIC	150.21

**Target Rifle - B Grade**

1	Jackson Ross	Yarram VIC	149.15
2	Coote Laurie	Lang Lang VIC	149.11
3	Henry Owen	MCC VIC	148.12

**Target Rifle - C Grade**

1	McCormack Myles	Lang Lang VIC	141.11
2	McKenna Brian	Moe City VIC	132.6

**F Standard - A Grade**

1	O'Rourke Jason	Fitzroy/Caulfield VIC	179.18
2	Houston Bruce	Rosedale VIC	179.16
3	Winterhalter Christian	Fitzroy/Cfield VIC	179.14

**F Standard - B Grade**

1	Firth Colin	Lang Lang VIC	178.13
2	Weaire Craig	Nagambie	177.11



Michael Hall gives Ben Carpeggiani a trim

3	Rissman David	Fitzroy/Caulfield VIC	176.11
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**F Open**

1	Waites Michael	Warragul/Drouin VIC	180.23
2	Van Wyk	Albert Rosedale VIC	180.21
3	Waites Nick	Warragul/Drouin VIC	180.20

**FTR**

1	Hall Liam	South Bendigo VIC	180.17
2	Laughton Don	Lang Lang VIC	177.14

3	Hall Michael	South Bendigo VIC	177.13
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Next year it will be a two-day prize meeting. Come along and join us on May 19 and 20 in 2018 for a great weekend of shooting - all in a good cause.

For further information, visit our website at: [www.shoot4autism.com](http://www.shoot4autism.com)

# Karramomus Rifle Club Picnic Shoot

Article and photographs  
by Richard Wall

A damp and cool morning greeted shooters on Sunday August 6, which delayed the start however, a mostly fine day followed. The annual competition was changed to three rounds at 500 yards. The first place winners in each category and grade are:

## Target Rifle A Grade

1. Richard Wall, Karramomus, 50.3, 49.5, 49.5, 148.13
2. Phill Betts, Karramomus, 46.3, 48.3, 49.7, 143.13

## Target Rifle B Grade

1. Daniel Clothier, Moe, 49.3, 50.6, 50.4, 149.13
2. Simon Wall, Karramomus, 48.3, 50.6, 48.4, 146.13

## Target Rifle C Grade

1. Gary Mull, Eskdale, 47.5, 49.1, 45.0, 141.6



Richard Wall Karramomus Target Rifle A Grade

# Goulburn Valley Rifle Association PM

By Michael Purden

The Goulburn Valley Rifle Association Prize Meeting was held on Saturday August 5, 2017 at the Karramomus rifle range. Fifty eight entries were received for the Prize Meeting. Everyone had their fingers crossed that the weather would hold for the day. Two very light sprinkles of rain at 600 yards were all that they had to contend with, and a light breeze across the range from 3 O'clock. Shooters travelled from as far as Rosedale, Moe, Maryborough, Wodonga and Lang Lang to take part in the competition.

The day's shoot was contested over a double 500 yards and a final range of 600 yards.

## Aggregate Winners

### Target Rifle A Grade:

1. Mark Horsnell, Werribee, 50.8, 49.8, 49.7, 148.23

2. Rod Gray, MCC, 50.6, 48.3, 50.2, 148.11

3. Phill Betts Karramomus 49.9, 48.5, 50.5; 147.19.

### Target Rifle B Grade:

1. Daniel Clothier, Moe City, 50.7, 48.3, 50.5, 148.15

2. Peter Daldy, Karramomus, 50.4, 48.4, 50.6, 148.14

3. Peter Kelly, Wangaratta, 50.6, 50.5, 48.4, 148.10

### Target Rifle C Grade:

1. Brian McKenna, Moe City, 48.4, 47.4, 46.3, 141.11

2. Myles McCormack, Lang Lang, 47.5, 45.0, 45.5, 137.10

3. Garry Mull, Wodonga, 44.1, 45.3, 42.2, 131.6

### F Class Standard A Grade:

1. Alan Wright, Lang Lang, 60.8, 60.4, 60.5, 180.17

2. John Simons, Broken Hill, 60.5, 59.4, 59.7, 178.16

3. Marty Kelly, East Central, 60.3, 58.3, 56.1, 174.7

### F Class Standard B Grade:

1. David Wallace, East Central, 57.3, 58.4, 57.3, 172.10

2. Blade Lacey, Maryborough, 51.2, 58.3, 59.4, 168.9

3. Kevin Epps, Nagambie, 56.4, 57.4, 55.0, 168.8

### F Class Target Rifle

1. Rod Davis, South Bendigo, 60.8, 58.5, 60.5, 178.18

2. Doug Chalmers, Robinvale, 58.5, 59.3, 58.3, 175.11

3. Jason Li, Shepparton Nathalia, 54.3, 59.4, 59.4, 172.11

### F Class Open

1. Shaun Tinkler, Shepparton Nathalia, 60.5, 59.5, 58.4, 177.14

2. Max Groves, Katandra 58.6, 60.6, 58.4, 176.16

3. Albert Van Wyk, Rosedale, 60.8, 57.3, 58.4, 175.1

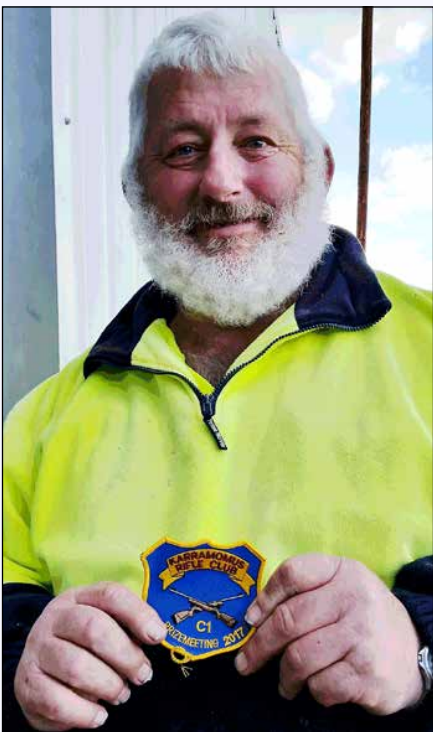


*Daniel Clothier Moe City  
Target Rifle B Grade*

2. Myles McMormick, Lang Lang, 50.1, 46.2, 43.4, 139.7

**F Class Standard A Grade**

1. Marty Kelly, EC DRA, 60.6, 58.2, 60.7, 178.15
2. Joe Melbourne, Nagambie, 59.6, 59.6, 58.4, 176.16



*Gary Mull Wodonga Target Rifle C Grade*



*Marty Kelly ECDRA F Standard A Grade*

**F Class Standard B Grade**

1. Tracy Kilpatrick, Karramomus, 58.2, 57.4, 54.1, 169.7
2. Kevin Epps, Nagambie, 57.2, 57.5, 54.1, 168.8

**FTR**

1. Doug Chalmers, Robinvale, 59.4, 58.4, 60.7, 177.15.

**F Class Open**

1. Albert Van Wyk, Rosedale, 60.9, 59.5, 59.7, 178.21
2. Marcus Cave, Rosedale, 60.6, 58.6, 58, 176.15



*Doug Chambers Robinvale FTR*



*Tracey Kilpatrick Karramomus  
F Standard B Grade*



*Albert Van Wyk Moe City F Open*

**ACT**

**November**  
15-19 ACT Queens

**NEW SOUTH WALES**

**September**  
2-3 Ungarie PM (Ungarie)  
13-17 NSWRA 141st Open Championships Queens (Anzac)

**October**  
30-1 Coonabarrabran Rifle Club OPM (Coonabarrabran)  
Ultra long distance  
1000yds - 1500yds Event (Coonabarrabran)  
Cootamundra OPM (Cootamundra)  
15 Gosford OPM (Kariang)  
22 Bathurst OPM (Bathurst)

**November**  
4-5 North Shore DRA 2 day OPM (Hornsby)  
10-14 Aust Match Rifle and Long Range Champs (Stawell)  
15-19 ACT Open Championships Queens (Canberra)  
Coiffs Harbour Rifle Club Field/Rimfire OPM (Dairyville)

**December**  
Lithgow Rifle Club OPM (Lithgow)

**QUEENSLAND**

**September**  
1-3 Goondiwindi Rifle Club PM  
2-3 Barcardine Rifle Club PM  
14-18 NSW RA Lead-up & Queen's  
16-17 Billy Sing Marksman Shoot (Clermont)  
22-25 WA Queens \*South Burnett DRA PM - Wondai

**October**  
28 North Arm Rifle Club PM  
29 Lilley DRA PM

**November**  
15-19 Canberra Queens  
25-26 Darling Downs Rifle Club PM

**December**  
9-10 Raglan Christmas Shoot

**NORTH QUEENSLAND**

**September**  
2 C&IDRA Prize Meeting (Atherton Range)  
3 Atherton Prize Meeting (Atherton Range)  
15-16 NQRA Club Teams (HRSC, Townsville)

**October**  
1 Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet Prize Meeting (Ravenshoe)

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

**September**  
10 Kapunda OPM (Kapunda)  
16-17 State Team Trials (Lower Light)  
23-24 Maitland OPM (Maitland)

**October**  
15 No.2 DRA OPM (Mt Barker)  
28 No. 1 DRA OPM (Lower Light)  
29 SARA AGM (Lower Light)  
29 East V West (Lower Light)

**November**  
25 Yunta Christmas shoot (Yunta)  
3 Match Rifle (Lower Light)

**2018**

**Feb**  
10-11 Tumbay Bay OPM (Tumbay Bay)

**VICTORIA**

**September**  
16 Wodonga LR Picnic shoot (Tallangatta)

**October**  
7 Classic/Military Shoot (Castlemaine)  
21-22 DRA Teams (Wellsford)  
21 VRA AGM

**November**  
4 Castlemaine PM (Castlemaine)  
19 Vic Precision Service Rifle series (Castlemaine)  
25 Victoria Police Rifle Club 379 Centennial OPM (Wellsford)  
26 VRA PM (Wellsford)

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

**September**  
9-10 Central Wheat Belt DRA PM (Merredin)

16-17 Northampton Rifle Club PM (Northampton)  
20 WA Veterans Championships (Pinjar)  
21 DRA Teams, Ray Miles Teams (Pinjar)  
22-23 Duke of Edinburgh & Queens PMs (Pinjar)  
24 WARA Annual General Meeting (Clubroom Pinjar)  
25 Queens PM (Pinjar)

**October**  
7-8 Dowerin Rifle Club PM (Dowerin)  
29 Corrigin Rifle Club PM (Corrigin)

**November**  
4-5 Busselton Service Rifle (Coolilup)  
12 WARA Council Meeting (Clubroom Pinjar)  
26 Boddington Rifle Club PM (Boddington)

**TASMANIA**

**September**  
30 TRA Short Range Prize Meeting 500/600/700 (Campbell Town)

**October**  
8 TRA Annual General Meeting (Campbell Town)

**November**  
4 Launceston VDC PM 500/500 600/600 (Campbell Town)  
25 Teams Match - Coached Pairs 500/600 (Campbell Town)

**December**  
9 Palmerston Club Teams (short range) 500/600/700 (Campbell Town)

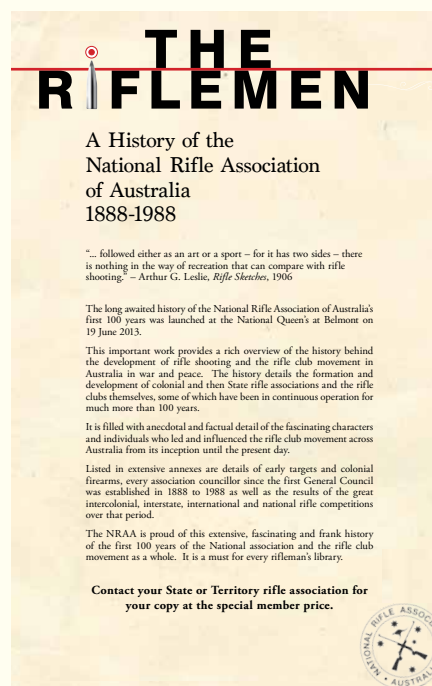
**2018**

**January**  
13 North West Prize Meeting 500/500/600 (Sheffield)  
27 West Coast Prize Meeting 300/600/900 (Strahan)  
28 Strahan West Coast Prize Meeting 600/300 (Strahan)

**March**  
2 MR Practice from 1.00pm. (Campbell Town)  
3 Tasmanian Match Rifle Champs 1000, 1100, 1200 (Campbell Town)  
4 Tasmanian Match Rifle Champs 1000, 1100, 1200 (Campbell Town)  
5 1500 Yards Championships 1,500 (Campbell Town)  
8 Llewellyn Series 500, 600, 700, 800 (Campbell Town)  
9 Llewellyn Series / 1000 Champs 900, 1000 : 1000 (Campbell Town)  
10 Tas Queens PM Stage 1 500, 500, 600, 600 (Campbell Town)  
11 Tas Queens PM Stage 2 700, 700, 800, 800 (Campbell Town)  
12 Tas Queens PM Stage 3 900, 1000 (Campbell Town)  
24 Sandford Prize Meeting 500/600/600 (Sandford)

**April**  
7 Campbell Town Prize Meeting 500/600/900/1000 (Campbell Town)  
28 Teams Match - Coached Pairs 900, 1000 (Campbell Town)

**May**  
12 Palmerston Club Teams (long range) 800/900/1000 (Campbell Town)  
26 TRA Long Range Prize Meeting 15 @ 900/1000 (Campbell Town)



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**Queens Series 2017**

September 13-17 ..... NSW Queens  
September 22-25 ..... WA Queens  
November 15-19 ..... ACT Queens

**2018**

March 8-12 ..... Tas Queens



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### Requirements

All written material should be sent as plain text. No tables, headings or spreadsheets are needed – just a basic word document or email is best. All headings, tables and formatting are added in later as part of the typesetting process. Text in Times New Roman font at 12 point is preferred.

Photographs should be sent as a .jpg or .tiff format and can be submitted either as a separate attachment to an email or on CD mailed directly to the ATR Post Office Box. Please provide captions for all photographs – either as the filename of the photograph or listed in the report. Do not embed photographs into documents as this renders the photograph unusable for publication.

### Prize Meetings

Reports of any shooting events should include details of where and when the event was held, the conditions and competitors on the day and a summary of key scores such as aggregates. Additional material regarding the equipment used by the winners and photographs of the event are also welcome.

### Queens Prizes

Reports of Queens Prizes should include information about the conditions and competitors, the lead-up,

Queens, teams and other associated events. Scores should be provided for all badge winners and included in the report as text. (i.e. Not in table or spreadsheet form).

Good photographs allow us to feature an event. Cameras should be set at as high a resolution as possible. It is often advisable to have more than one photographer and to include a variety of photographs by email or CD including shots of: the range, the competitors, the winners and trophies. Presentation photographs can also be included, but often the presentation area has poor lighting and doesn't allow adequate time to set up good photographs for publication purposes, so additional photographs of the event can be important.

### Cover photographs

Photographs suitable for a cover should be provided at very high resolution. (300 dpi and 2Mb or above). When taking cover photographs, consider the framing of the photograph with the subject in the foreground and allowing some background (sky or range) for the positioning of the ATR banner.

### Deadlines

Think ahead. Good publishing is all about planning. If you are advertising an event, it can be helpful to prepare and submit advertising material up to four months ahead. This allows time for the editing and publication process and assists readers to plan their attendance at your event. Deadlines for the next two issues of ATR are published in the front of each magazine.

Contributions to ATR are genuinely appreciated and these guidelines are intended to assist in making the process as easy as possible. If you have comments or questions about sending material please contact us at [atr\\_editorial@nraa.com.au](mailto:atr_editorial@nraa.com.au) for any clarification.



# NQRA Queens

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