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## DEADLINE

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

Ian Noll, winner of the South Australian Queens, 2018.  
 Photograph supplied by Janelle Traeger.

# Chairman's Message

The 2018 Commonwealth Games are already just a memory. For Jim Bailey especially, it will be a life time memory after having won the Silver Medal in the Championships. One point made the difference between first and third which is remarkable. The shooters from England were placed first and third viz David Luckman and Parag Patel. Just a little further back was Ben Emms from Lyndhurst.

Both Australian shooters performed brilliantly under the guidance of Master Coach Stuart Collings.

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Since my previous message the State Championships/Queens have been finalised by VRA at Bendigo, SARA at Lower Light and NQRA in Townsville. Details of results are available from the NRAA website.

At a meeting of Shooting Australia in Brisbane the most influential achievement during the year - apart from Commonwealth Games - was the implementation of a Come and Try Day throughout Australia. Over 120 clubs participated across all disciplines - which is a fair effort when you take into account the relatively short planning period. The event is to raise the awareness of all shooting sports and an attempt to encourage people to join a club.

It does mean plenty of additional work for the people who undertake the event but it has positive benefits to club participation and shooting sports generally.

If your club didn't give the Come and Try Day a go in 2018 then plan to do so in 2019. It will be early in May.

Shooting Australia has also made us aware of the potential problem of lead pollution on rifle ranges. Like noise pollution, lead is the most recent area on which to focus for the authorities in an endeavour to denigrate shooting in any form. No attention is ever drawn towards the great aspects of shooting ranges - such as the nature reserves in which animals of all shapes and sizes live unmolested, land which has been retained in natural condition for decades if not over a century. The areas generally lend themselves to other uses and sports.

At this point no decision has been made to reinstate shooting in the Birmingham Commonwealth Games in 2022. Much effort is being made at all levels including the Australian Government, for the sport to be retained.

The most disappointing aspect of successes at Belmont has been the lack of media coverage. Fortunately, the Pistol shooters were given TV coverage but our form of long range competition was basically overlooked.

Always continue shooting and encourage others to do so as well.

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# Ian "Bluey" Noll Takes the Title in SA

By Janelle Traeger

Photos by Lynlee Lowe and Janelle Traeger

The South Australian Queens series at Lower Light saw many outstanding performances on every day - none more so than the break through win by Ian "Bluey" Noll after 50 years of shooting. In an emotional speech before dignitaries and fellow shooters he said how he had now achieved one of his shooting dreams.

Noll, with a score of 443.42, shot consistently throughout the event and with an outstanding display of shooting on the final day where he conquered the wind conditions superbly, finished ahead of fellow South Australians Brad Semmler (442.45) and Rhyder Atkinson (441.52).

## The Hunt

Day One greeted the shooters at 300 metres with very gentle right wind. Though conditions seemed easy, competition was tight with quite a few possibles. Noll made a statement early by winning this range. Shooters moved to 500 metres and the wind became gusty and dust hampered visibility. Very few shooters scored a possible though some had very good opportunities. Tim Nugent in F Class Open was the closest as it was only the last shot that eluded the 6-ring. By afternoon at 600 metres the flags, still from the right, became steadier and the weather was cooler.



Queens Winner - Ian Noll

Scores reflected a tough day for some. David McIntosh with 149.15 shot excellently in Target Rifle to be the leader of the day a few points ahead of a band of shooters closing in on him. Rod Davies in F Class Open with 178.13 also had an outstanding day.

Day Two was delayed due to heavy rain. By the time shooters started at 700 metres the wind, again from the right, was very steady and produced good scores with many grades decided on count out. In A Grade the top 15 shooters scored possibles as well as the top five B Grade shooters. After lunch the wind became stronger but was across the targets and by late in the day eased off. The expertise in accuracy continued and shooters had to calculate well to know who the winners were.

It had certainly been two days of contrasting conditions from heat, wind and dust on the first to heavy rain and mud on the next.

Scores were again close with the leaders in many of the Grades separated by V-bulls. This was particularly so with the top five in F Class Open. Local shooter Frank O Pinyon (100.12) led the pack in Target Rifle and won the day ahead of Paul Savage (100.10).

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Retirement presentation to Paul Gale – SARA Executive Officer  
 Final results for the Hunt saw Frank O Pinyon (247.28) win after a shoot-off with David McIntosh in second place and Paul Savage (247.25) taking third.  
 Don Merritt (241.20) won B Grade followed by Peter Hulett (240.29) and Gordon Harrison (240.18).  
 Neville Kairl (235.13) was the C Grade winner which gave the South Australians a Target Rifle trifecta.



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Celebrations continued with the wins by Rod Davies (297.26) in F Class Open, Mahlon Reid (291.20) in F Class Standard A and Jim Freebairn (280.8) in F Class Standard B, plus Mick Punturiero (289.18) in FTR.



*Queens F Standard A Grade*



Queens A Grade



Queens - FTR



Queens - F Open



Hunt F Standard A Grade



Hunt F Open



Hunt A Grade



Grand Aggregate - FTR

**Hunt Results**

<b>A Grade</b>			
1	Frank O. Pinyon	Cyclists & Torrens Valley	247.28
2	David McIntosh	Canberra Rifle Club	247.28
3	Paul Savage	Port Pirie	247.25
4	Ken Young	Southern Highlands	245.27
5	Bluey (Ian) Noll	Whyalla	245.22
6	Paul Watkins	Chapman Valley	245.21

7	Philip Bradshaw	Cyclists & Torrens Valley	245.20
<b>B Grade</b>			
1	Donald Merritt	West Broken Hill	241.20
2	Peter Hulett	Geelong	240.29
3	Harro Harrison	Murray Bridge	240.18
4	Carol Hulett	Geelong	238.18





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Grand Aggregate - F Standard A Grade

5	Tony Schlink	Mundaring	238.10
6	Tony McRae	Mount Gambier	237.16

**C Grade**

1	Neville Kairl	Whyalla	235.13
2	David Lindner	Kapunda	231.14

**F Standard A Grade**

1	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	291.20
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Grand Aggregate - F Open

2	Trevor Rhodes	Maryborough	290.14
3	Edmund Kanik	Kapunda	288.13

**F Standard B Grade**

1	James Freebairn	Balaklava	280.8
2	Bill Naismith	Yanyarrie/Orroroo	279.9

**F Open**

1	Rod Davies	Cessnock Rifle Club	297.26
2	Tim Nugent	Cessnock Rifle Club	295.30
3	Geoffrey Krake	Mildura - Red Cliffs	292.23
4	Greg Warriar	Tumut Rifle Club	290.12

**FTR**

1	Mick Punturiero	Loxton	289.18
2	Daniel Blackmore	Cyclists & Torrens Valley	288.16

**The Queens**

Day One started with similar conditions to the previous days - the wind was from the right but it came into the shooters faces.

What a great start it was!

The top shooters certainly put on a show at 300 metres. Rhyder Atkinson could hardly miss in A Grade with 50.7 but again the thrilling performances were in F Class Open. Several shooters thought they had a chance of a win with 60.7 and even 60.8. Terry Gee was really thrilled after 60.9 but he turned around to find Rod Davies had posted 60.10 at the same time.

This was definitely a great way to start the major competition. What would happen next!

The day continued in the same style at the other ranges. Possibles were the norm for the day. A highlight was 15 year old Cameron Naismith scoring 60.3 at 500 metres in his first Queens.

Rhyder Atkinson, a previous winner, won the day with 174.20. Brett Bunyan in F Class Open was the only shooter to record a perfect score - 210.19.

Excellent scores continued on Day Two but the wind

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Lower Light offers challenging conditions for shooters

had turned to behind the shooters again. As with the previous day possibilities were being scored everywhere and at 700 metres Tim Nugent in F Class Open scored the second 60.10 for the competition. By the second range (600 metres) the flags had squared up and when shooters returned from the lunch break they had to contend with the drop off and pick up in wind. These

changes had little effect on some shooters as they read the changes superbly.

Rhyder Atkinson (174.24) remained at the top of the leader board with another daily win but a couple of others were starting to apply the pressure.



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Day Three rounded out the week of shooting and as usual the weather was completely different. For the first time during the week the wind was from the left. Then as can be expected when the shooters lined up at 900 metres to complete the competition, Lower Light threw all the changes it could. The wind fishtailed from behind the shooters and eventually turned to the right. The shooters who could be patient and adapt to the changes achieved success.

Ian Noll definitely triumphed here. He recorded the only possible - 50.4 and won the day with 99.9.

It certainly was an amazing way to end the week. What a great show of long range shooting!

Congratulations to Ian Noll for his win. It was a pleasure for him to win with his family and friends present. Many remarked though that it was rare to see him so speechless. Barney Neilsen (436.36) won B Grade and Neville Kairl (402.23) won C Grade. F Open was won by Tim Nugent (537.49) who throughout the competition shot superbly. Mahlon Reid (522.34) won F Class Standard A and Jim Freebairn (504.23) won F Class Standard B and Mick Punturiero (517.41) rounded out the wins in F/TR.

**Queens Results**

**A Grade**

1	Bluey (Ian) Noll	Whyalla	443.42
2	Brad Semmler	Cyclist and Torrens Valley	442.45
3	Rhyder Atkinson	Wallaroo	441.52
4	Frank O Pinyon	Cyclists & Torrens Valley	440.39
5	Mike Chad	Port Macquarie Rifle Club	439.37
6	Ken Young	Southern Highlands	438.44
7	Paul Savage	Port Pirie	438.43
8	Helen Griffiths	Pacific	438.31
9	B. Kym Muller	Mount Gambier	437.38
10	Flav Konieczny	Mount Gambier	436.29

**B Grade**

1	Barney Neilsen	Southern Highland	436.36
2	Harro (Gordon) Harrison	Murray Bridge	432.28
3	Shane Bland	Phoenix Target	431.33
4	Tony Schlink	Mundaring	431.32
5	Peter Hulett	Geelong	430.39
6	Bronwyn Hajek	Cyclists & Torrens Valley	430.34
7	Dennis Hilton	Grafton Rifle Club	430.31
8	John Becher	Mundaring	429.29

**C Grade**

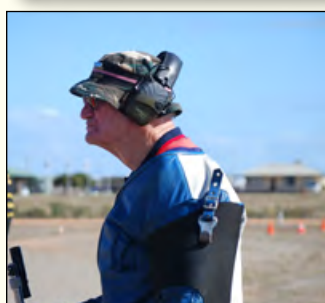
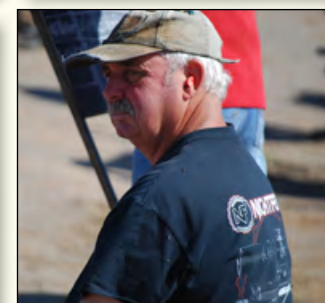
1	Neville Kairl	Whyalla	402.23
2	David Lindner	Kapunda	402.17
3	Richard Lane	Natimuk	398.17

**F Standard A Grade**

1	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	522.34
2	Edmund Kanik	Kapunda	511.28
3	Robert Richards-Mousley	Postal & Railways	508.33
4	Jason Nessling	Phoenix Target	507.23

**F Standard B Grade**

1	James Freebairn	Balaklava	504.23
2	Jim Caspers	Murray Bridge	499.17



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F Open			
1	Tim Nugent	Cessnock Rifle Club	537.49
2	Rod Davies	Cessnock Rifle Club	535.48
3	Brett Bunyan	Boddington	531.46
4	Michael Waites	Warragul/Drouin	529.50
5	Geoffrey Krake	Mildura - Red Cliffs	528.42

FTR			
1	Mick Punturiero	Loxton	517.41
2	Daniel Blackmore	Cyclists & Torrens Valley	514.26
3	Michael Hancock	Tumby Bay	507.20

**Grand Aggregate Results**

A Grade			
1	Bluey (Ian) Noll	Whyalla	688.64
2	Frank O. Pinyon	Cyclists & Torrens Valley	687.67
3	Paul Savage	Port Pirie	685.68
4	Ken Young	Southern Highlands	683.71
5	Mike Chad	Port Macquarie Rifle Club	680.54
6	Robert Paech	Murray Bridge	679.62
7	Helen Griffiths	Pacific	679.52

B Grade			
1	Harro (Gordon) Harrison	Murray Bridge	672.46
2	Peter Hulett	Geelong	670.68
3	Tony Schlink	Mundaring	669.42
4	Barney Neilsen	Southern Highlands	667.50
5	Shane Bland	Phoenix Target	667.49
6	Carol Hulett	Geelong	667.42

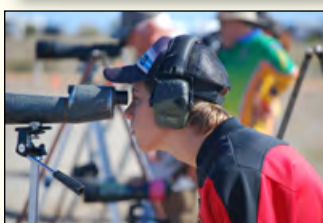
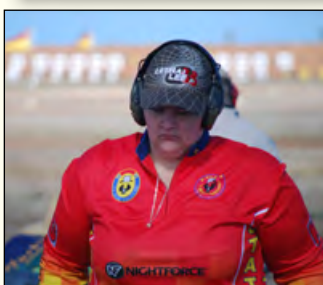
C Grade			
1	Neville Kairl	Whyalla	637.36
2	David Lindner	Kapunda	633.31

F Standard A Grade			
1	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	813.54
2	Edmund Kanik	Kapunda	799.41
3	Cameron Whant	Phoenix	791.46

F Standard B Grade			
1	James Freebairn	Balaklava	784.31
2	Nicole Edwards	Murray Bridge	767.32

F Open			
1	Tim Nugent	Cessnock Rifle Club	832.79
2	Rod Davies	Cessnock Rifle Club	832.74
3	Geoffrey Krake	Mildura - Red Cliffs	820.65
4	Michael Waites	Warragul/Drouin	816.71
5	Greg Warrian	Tumut Rifle Club	815.45

FTR			
1	Mick Punturiero	Loxton	806.59
2	Daniel Blackmore	Cyclists & Torrens Valley	802.42



# Victorian Rifle Association Queens

Article and photos by Nikki Rees

## The Sponsors

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## The Planning

Hot on the heels of the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast, the Victorian Queens Series was held on Friday April 20 to Sunday April 22, with the SYME on Wednesday April 18 and Thursday 19. Planning commenced shortly after the 2017 Queens with Brett Thurtell and Robyn Jackman working hard on the organising and making logistical improvements from the 2017 event. With Ken Reither at the helm of the Queens Sub-Committee, there was much work to be done in organising the sponsorship, trophies, advertising, web site, range officials, markers, entry forms and the program booklet, amongst all the other things that pop up during the months preceding the Queens. A very large thank you goes to both Robin Hall and Robyn Jackman for all their hard work and dedication to the VRA and particularly to this event.

Geoff Wells had the shop stocked with additional inventory to cover what is a very busy week for the VRA office staff. Geoff organised some fabulous shop specials for the competitors and had the shop looking terrific for opening time every day at 8am.

The range was looking in tip top shape thanks to our tireless volunteers of Robin Hall, Morrie Jackman, Len Hayes and Michael Purden. Whilst Bendigo suffered through an extremely dry summer, the range was still a fabulous sight to behold with all the competitors enjoying the fine conditions and cool evenings.

Lee Wings once again excelled with the catering with her fabulous team of Rae Houston, Anita Pickering, Lorraine Mac and Joyce Lane. The food was fresh, wholesome and very appetising, with everyone enjoying the feast. Thanks go to Trevor Rhodes for manning the bar and also for organising a barbeque on Thursday evening as well as managing the Spit Roast Catered Dinner on the Saturday night.

Ken Reither's management of the 2018 Queens series was outstanding. He worked vigorously for months to make this such a successful event. Without Ken there would be no VRA Queens 2018!! An enormous thank you is extended to him from all here at the VRA!

## The Competition Management

CRO Peter Hulett made a quick exit from the 2018 Commonwealth Games to officiate for our 143rd



*Duncan Davies accepting his trophy from the Honourable Jacinta Allen*



*The winner of the Laurie Crouch Encouragement Award Elisa Hall from South Bendigo Club*



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**Day 2 - The David Syme Aggregate Winners** From Left: Raymond Wilson (Katoomba RC), Trevor Rhodes (Maryborough RC), David Wallace (East Central DRA), Graeme Kerr (East Central DRA), Richard Lane (Natimuk RC), Bob Kinnear (Boddington RC) - absent from photo - James Corbett (Australian RC)

Queens competition. Carol Hulett took up a new role this year as Chief butts officer which completed the perfect management team at both ends of the range.

Carolynn Nitschke assisted Peter as Range Officer and both Peter and Carolynn were supported by a number of range officers completing the reaccreditation process.

As always Len Hayes, Morrie Jackman and Michael Purden helped out with the set up of the ranges. Thank you to Ron and Ross Aldridge who came to Wellsford Range straight from the Commonwealth Games to assist Carol in the Butts. Seven of our markers had also just made the quick trip down the highway to Bendigo.

The statistics team was working hard in the office

to produce timely and accurate results prior to presentations. A big thank you goes out to the captains of statistics - Frank Conner, Alan Wright and VRA Chairman, Garry Kay. Our fabulous card runner Jonah Morgan was kept busy riding his bike all day collecting the cards.

The entry statistics were:

SYME Entry Details								
Grade	A	B	C	FA	FB	FO	FTR	Total
Entries	37	15	2	16	7	9	10	96

Queens Entry Details								
Grade	A	B	C	FA	FB	FO	FTR	Total
Entries	51	15	2	16	7	9	10	146

**Anzac Centenary**

The Bendigo RSL once again sponsored the first day of the Syme - titled the Anzac Centenary Aggregate - with up to three badges for each grade.

**ANZAC Centenary Badge Winners**

**Target Rifle A Grade:** Mal McKenzie (Wingham) 150.21, Mark Buchanan (Roseville) 150.19, James Corbett (Benalla) 150.16

**Target Rifle B Grade:** Raymond Wilson (Katoomba) 146.6, Ann Chinnery (Marian) 145.14, Bryan McGuren (Wodonga) 145.7

**Target Rifle C Grade:** Richard Lane (Natimuk) 141.8



Range Officers Carolynn and Peter





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**Winners of Day one of the Queens** - From Left: Don Laughton (Lang Lang RC), Elisa Hall (South Bendigo RC), Michael Hall (South Bendigo RC), Rod Mahon (South Bendigo RC), Bradley Steer (Fitzroy/Caulfield RC)

**F Standard A Grade:** Trevor Rhodes (Maryborough) 177.12, Allan Humbert (Roseville) 176.10, Daniel Sandford (Hamilton) 175.9



**Davies Family Success** -Duncan Davies (Queens Winner) and his son Alex Davies (West Wallsend RC) who won the Tom Daly Memorial Queens Aggregate for U25s in Target Rifle

**F Standard B Grade:** Mike Purden (Shepparton/Nathalia) 174.11, David Wallace (Eastern District DRA) 171.13, Brendon Hunt (Sandford) 171.5

**F Open:** Michael Waites (Warragul/Drouin) 179.22, Bob Kinnear (Boddington) 179.10, Julian Daley (Mackay) 178.15

**FTR:** Alan Scoles (Maryborough) 176.12, Graeme Kerr (East Central DRA) 174.10, Geoffrey Krake (Mildura/Red Cliffs) 173.10



## Match Rifle & Long Range F Class Event Calendar

2018

<b>August 25 &amp; 26</b> South Aust. State Titles <i>Lower Light</i>	<b>November 3 &amp; 4</b> Victorian State Titles <i>Stawell</i>
<b>Australian Match Rifle and Long Range F Class Championships</b> October 2-6 <i>Coonabarabran, NSW</i> Individual event Oct 2 to 5 and State Teams Oct 5 to 6 <b>October 7</b> - 1500 yard Ultra Long Range Challenge	

2019

<b>March 2 &amp; 3</b> Tasmanian State Titles <i>Campbell Town</i>	<b>March 4</b> Merton Vale 1500 yard <i>Campbell Town</i>
<b>May 4 &amp; 5</b> NSW State Titles <i>Ungarie</i>	<b>June 8 &amp; 9</b> Queensland State Titles <i>Raglan</i>

Further details on all events at [www.matchrifle.org](http://www.matchrifle.org)

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**Day 2 - Queens Aggregate Winners** From Left: John Maguire (West Wallsend), Rod Davies (Cessnock), Frans Knox (Brisbane), Geoff Grenfell (Bendigo), Mike Purden (Shepparton/Nathalia) Absent from photo - Wes Eldridge (Port Campbell), Bob Pedersen (Wodonga)

Day one started with cool still conditions, with sighting a little difficult due to the late date of the competition this year, though it didn't stop the top shooters shooting possibles. The day continued with calm conditions with Bendigo Range providing its normal quick changing conditions at 600 yards.

**The SYME Aggregate - Day Two**

Day two started off with mild calm conditions and as the day progressed Bendigo turned on its normal tricky conditions. At 100 yards there were only two possibles out of ninety six shooters. James Corbett won the day a full point in front of his rivals in Target Rifle, with Trevor Rhodes in F Standard A following suit. Bob Kinnear from WA showed us all how it was done with a 5 point lead in the finish in F Open. FTR was won convincingly by Graeme Kerr with 350.20 from his nearest rival on 342.16.

**Syme Aggregate Badge Winners**

**Target Rifle A Grade:** James Corbett (Benalla)



The Butts Team



2018 Queens Winner - Duncan Davies from West Wallsend on a score of 399.47

299.31, Mal McKenzie (Wingham) 298.41, Geoff Grenfell (Bendigo) 298.38, Mark Buchanan (Roseville) 298.36, David McIntosh (Canberra) 296.35, Mike Chad (Port Macquarie) 295.32, Nick Cock (Bathurst) 295.29, Geoff Grosskreutz (Brisbane) 294.28, Matthew Shepherd (Endeavour) 293.32, David Brewster (Fitzroy/Caulfield) 293.30, Stephen Williams (Bathurst) 293.27, John Kiefer (Bendigo) 293.24, Bill Ballantyne (Hornsby RSL) 292.34, Graham Aitchison (Canberra) 292.32, Mark Horsnell (Werribee) 292.23

**Target Rifle B Grade:** Raymond Wilson (Katoomba) 286.15, Blade Lacey (Maryborough) 284.16, Ann Chinnery (Marian) 282.23, Peter Daldy (Karramomus) 281.20, Bryan McGuren (Wodonga) 280.13

**Target Rifle C Grade:** Richard Lane (Natimuk) 268.13

**F Standard A Grade:** Trevor Rhodes (Maryborough) 347.24, Michael Hall (South Bendigo) 346.15, Daniel





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**Day 1 Queens Aggregate Winners** From Left: Rod Mahon (South Bendigo), David Brewster (Fitzroy/Caulfield), Frank Horgan (Colac), Richard Lane (Natimuk), Alan Fuge (Nagambie), Bradley Steer (Fitzroy/Caulfield), Rod Davies (Cessnock)

Sandford (Hamilton) 345.18, Jenny Davies (Maryborough) 343.22, John Simons (Broken Hill) 343.19

**F Standard B Grade:** David Wallace (Eastern District DRA) 333.20, Brendon Hunt (Sandford) 333.7, Warwick Sides (Ungarie) 327.13

**F Open:** Bob Kinnear (Boddington) 358.27, Julian Daley (Mackay) 353.28, Greg Warriar (Tumut) 352.23

**FTR:** Graeme Kerr (East Central DRA) 350.20, Alan Scoles (Maryborough) 342.16, Marty Kelly (East Central DRA) 339.22

**Day One - The Queens**

Day One saw our participant numbers increase from 96 to 146. With clear fine conditions possibles were effortless.

The first range with 5 x 50.9's in Target Rifle A Grade



Keith Toh and Don Brooks

made a good start to the day. Geoff Grenfell then made it a 50.10 at the second 500 yards. F Standard A saw Garry Warrender with 60.8 at the first 500 yards and John Simmons with a 60.9 at the second 500 yards. Trevor Jury made a clean sweep of the double 500 yards with a 60.9 and a 60.7. Graeme Kerr followed suit in FTR with a 60.7 and a 60.8. After lunch the 600 yards proved to be a little more challenging with David Brewster conquering the range with a 50.9 in Target Rifle, Alan Fuge in F Standard A with a 60.5, F Open saw Rod Davies with a 60.6 and FTR had Marty Kelly with a 60.5.

The daily aggregate for Target Rifle saw an equal score between David Brewster and Simon Whatley on 150.25, with David taking the day on count back. Frank Horgan was the winner in B Grade with a 148.9, Richard Lane in C Grade on 142.10, and in F Class Alan Fuge was ahead with 179.13. F Standard B was won by Bradley

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Catering Staff -From Left Rae Houston, Joyce Lane, Anita Pickering, Lorraine Mac and Lee Wings

Steer on 175.8, F Open was won by Rod Davies 179.18 and Rod Mahon took out FTR with a possible of a 180.13.

**Day Two - The Queens**

On Day Two it was another sunny day in Bendigo with no rain in sight. A water tanker arrived at 7am to dampen the ground to control the dust. The winds were very light which allowed high scores all round. A delicious spit roast was organised by Trevor Rhodes for the evening after the presentations with at least 75 meals served.

**Day Three - The Queens**

Most competitors arrived early for day three with set



Carolynn Nitschke and Jenny Davies



John Baxter (Chairman NSWRA) and Nikki Rees (VRA Executive Officer)

up starting from 7.30am. Shooting commenced right on 9am after a reminder about score cards from our Chief Range Officer Peter Hulett. The sun was already strong with a light breeze. Scores were high again with lots of people only two points down. The shop was busy with last minute purchases before the presentations commenced at 2.15pm precisely. The Honourable Jacinta Allan was in attendance and was joined by Councillor Rod Fyffe who has been a Councillor with the Greater Bendigo City Council since 1996 and is a regular presenter here at the Queens.

**Queens Aggregate Badge Winners**

**Target Rifle A Grade:** Duncan Davies (West Wallsend)



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**Day 1 - The Anzac Centenary Aggregate Winners** From Left: Raymond Wilson (Katoomba RC), Mal McKenzie (Wingham RC), Richard Lane (Natinuk), Cliff Richards (RSL President), David Paynter (RSL Treasurer), Trevor Rhodes (Maryborough RC), Alan Scoles (Maryborough), Michael Waites (Warragul/Drouin), Garry Kay (VRA Chairman) - absent from photo Mike Purden (Shepparton/Nathalia)



Competitors enjoyed the day



Day two of the Queens - Relaxing whilst waiting



Day three of the Queens - 1000 yard mound

399.47, Geoff Grosskreutz (Brisbane) 398.47, James Corbett (Benalla) 396.45, David McIntosh (Canberra) 396.44, Matthew Shepherd (Endeavour) 396.4, Simon Whatley (Katandra) 395.49, David Brewster (Fitzroy/Caulfield) 395.48, Mal McKenzie (Wingham) 395.46, Stephen Williams (Bathurst) 395.34, Geoff Grenfell (Bendigo) 394.52, David Black (Shepparton/Nathalia) 394.49, Mark Buchanan (Roseville) 394.48, Mark Horsnell (Werribee) 394.42, Nick Cock (Bathurst) 394.35, Steve Negus (Canberra) 393.44, Michelle Fletcher (Wodonga) 392.39, Len Hayes (Shepparton/Nathalia) 392.37, Mike Chad (Port Macquarie) 392.37, Bluey Noll (Whyalla) 392.33, Peter Maher (Lilydale) 392.32

**Target Rifle B Grade:** Wes Eldridge (Port Campbell) 389.27, Paul Jeffery (Colac) 388.32, Ann Chinnery (Marian) 386.25, Jordan Harris (North Warrnambool) 386.25, Bill Pryde (Spalding) 383.27, Peter Setford (Werribee) 383.19, Raymond Wilson (Katoomba) 381.22, Alan Blain (Port Campbell) 380.30

**Target Rifle C Grade:** Gregory Pike (Port Jackson) 368.30, John Maguire (West Wallsend) 367.19

**F Standard A Grade:** Daniel Sandford (Hamilton) 469.36, Bob Pedersen (Wodonga) 469.31, Alan Fuge (Nagambie) 466.25, Michael Hall (South Bendigo) 465.27, Jenny Davies (Maryborough) 460.22, John Simons (Broken Hill) 458.33, Robert Bartlett (Wingham) 457.25, Garry Warrender (Wangaratta) 456.23

**F Standard B Grade:** David Wallace (East Central DRA) 457.24, Mike Purden (Shepparton/Nathalia) 455.20, Viren Pereira (Werribee) 455.20, Bradley Steer (Fitzroy/Caulfield) 452.21, Warwick Sides (Ungarie) 452.17

**F Open:** Rod Davies (Cessnock) 478.49, Bob Kinnear (Boddington) 472.43, Julian Daley (Mackay) 471.41, Geoffrey Krake (Mildura-Red Cliffs) 469.41, Alan Fraser (Rosedale) 469.40



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Alan Taylor from Narromine-Dubbo Rifle Club

**FTR:** Rod Mahon (South Bendigo) 466.26, Frans Knox (Brisbane) 464.29, Marty Kelly (East Central DRA) 463.30, Graeme Kerr (East Central DRA) 459.33

**Percy Pavey Grand Aggregate Badge Winners**

**Target Rifle A Grade:** James Corbett (Benalla) 695.76, Mal McKenzie (Wingham) 693.87, Geoff Grenfell (Bendigo) 692.90, Mark Buchanan (Roseville) 692.84, David McIntosh (Canberra) 692.79, Geoff Grosskreutz (Brisbane) 692.75, Matthew Shepherd (Endeavour) 689.72, Nick Cock (Bathurst) 689.64, David Brewster (Fitzroy/Caulfield) 688.78, Stephen Williams (Bathurst) 688.61, Mike Chad (Port Macquarie) 687.69, Simon Whatley (Katandra) 686.79, Mark Horsnell (Werribee) 686.65, Graham Aitchison (Canberra) 683.76, Bluey Noll (Whyalla) 683.58

**Target Rifle B Grade:** Ann Chinnery (Marian) 668.48, Raymond Wilson (Katoomba) 667.37, Bill Pryde (Spalding) 662.48, Blade Lacey (Maryborough) 662.45, Peter Daldy (Karramomus) 661.45

**Target Rifle C Grade:** Richard Lane (Natimuk) 630.29

**F Standard A Grade:** Daniel Sandford (Hamilton) 814.54, Michael Hall (South Bendigo) 811.42, Jenny Davies (Maryborough) 803.44, John Simons (Broken Hill) 801.52, Trevor Rhodes (Maryborough) 799.42

**F Standard B Grade:** David Wallace (East Central DRA) 790.44, Warwick Sides (Ungarie) 779.30, Mike Purden (Shepparton/Nathalia) 768.37

**F Open:** Bob Kinnear (Boddington) 830.70, Rod Davies (Cessnock) 828.79, Julian Daley (Mackay) 824.69

**FTR:** Graeme Kerr (East Central DRA) 809.53, Marty Kelly (East Central DRA) 802.52, Rod Mahon (South Bendigo) 802.43

**Footnotes**

We offer our congratulations to all our winners and participants. We look forward to seeing everyone back next year to the Wellsford Range, Bendigo and hopefully the weather is as good as it has been this year.



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# NSW Match Rifle and Long Range F Class Champs

Article and photos by  
Cliff Austen and Susan Weisser

Ungarie and the Ungarie range were a hive of activity leading up to the NSW Match Rifle and Long Range F Class Championships on May 5 and 6. The activities started Wednesday morning with the clubhouse being stripped of furnishings. Thanks to the hot and dry conditions over the last three months, there was fine red dust over everything. With no water in the tank to use the pressure washer, Rob Crerar took to the clubhouse with his blower, creating one hell of a dust storm. Then followed a general clean up and target preparation by Philip Bain, Susan Weisser, Spencer Dunstall, Chris Halloran, Cliff Austen and Chris Roberts.

Thursday and Friday were practice days for the 2019 Woomera Team who are preparing for the International Woomera match at Bisley in the UK in 2019. Chris Roberts and Cliff Austen pushed the targets. Whilst the team is trying to prepare for anything, the hot and dusty day was certainly something they are unlikely to encounter in Great Britain.

Thursday night and the early hours of Friday morning saw the first decent rain fall in the district for months. This was good news for the farmers and good news for the shooters as it settled the red dust and as the rest of the shooters rolled up for practice on the Friday, the range was looking good.

Saturday broke to a perfect day for the first day of the State Championships. Cliff Austen did a brief welcome speech noting that the 2018 event marked the 15th anniversary of the NSW Match Rifle and Long Range



Wal Styke receiving the Bird from Chris Roberts

F Class Championships. In marking the occasion, he noted the fantastic support provided by Herron Security and Sport over all of those 15 years and thanked them again for sponsoring the Keith R Herron NSW Match Rifle Grand Aggregate in 2018.

He then handed the range over to Range Officer, John



Winners Paul Deehan, Philip Bain and Mike Halloran

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Wal Styke

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Oddy. Susan Weisser was the statistician and Chris Roberts was the Butts Officer. All the markers were volunteers from Ungarie who donate their payment every year to the local community projects such as the upgrade of the swimming pool or local community hall.

On Saturday at 8.45am it was all systems go with competition starting at 1000 yards. All the shooters were keen to get started, as there was very little wind and no mirage. But the air was full of little bush flies. They got up your nose, in your eyes and provided a mouth full of fresh protein every time one went to speak. Lou Shallis had a momentary love affair with a bee but was feeling somewhat rejected when it left its sting on the inside of his bottom lip.

Day one was three sighters and 15 shots at 1000 and 1100 yards followed by a 20 shot match at 1200 yards. Match Rifle was won by Philip Bain 243.22, F Open, Paul Deehan 280.12 and in FTR, Mike Halloran 244.1.

Spencer Dunstall put in a good effort, having recently completed a course of chemotherapy. He put in a string of 11 "super X's" in F Open on Day One, second only to Paul Deehan's 12 Super Xs' for the day. It's hard to keep a good man down.

Paul Monaghan had a scare with his eyesight. After having it checked in West Wyalong Hospital he came back to the range to finish his shoot. With just enough daylight at 1200 yards he managed to win the range. However, the problem continued and further consultation with an Eye Specialist in Wagga Wagga saw him having to retire from the rest of the event.



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Julie of the Ungarie Rifle Club provided the lunches. This comprised a very moreish meal with home cooked pumpkin and vegetable soups. Mains were roast lamb rolls, gravy and juicy hamburgers. Dessert was a selection of cakes and biscuits all washed down with tea or coffee. Nobody left hungry.

A long held tradition for Day Two of the Championships at Ungarie is the Sunday morning breakfast put on by the Ungarie Bowling Club. This is all you can eat for \$7 and many thanks go to the local community who again accommodated an early start to their Sunday Community Breakfast, opening the doors for the shooters at 7.00am and serving up some great pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausages etc etc.

Day Two on the range proved an even greater challenge. Stronger winds and ever-changing directions with total drop offs caught many out. What a challenge.

On Day Two the competition was made up of 2 sighters and 15 to count at all distances. Winners were: Match Rifle, Philip Bain 216.21, F Open, Paul Deehan 251.9 and in FTR, Mike Halloran 229.4.

The Keith R Herron Match Rifle Grand Aggregate went to Philip Bain on 459.43 with the F Open Grand Aggregate Championship going to Paul Deehan on 531.21 and the FTR Grand Aggregate to Mike Halloran 473.5.

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*Cliff Sorting Ammo*

First timer, Wal Styke of Nowra Rifle Club, had an extremely new educational experience since he had not shot the long ranges before. For his efforts of shooting the most 3's (magpies) he won the Bird Trophy sponsored by the Butts Officer, Chris Roberts.

**Save The Date.** GO THE DISTANCE. Australian Championships, Teams and the Ultra-Long Range Challenge - Coonabarabran on October 2 - 6, 2018. Match Rifle - FTR - F Open - over 1000 to 1500 yards. The programme is available on the Match Rifle web site at: <http://www.matchrifle.org/>

# Fathers and Sons Matches

Article and photos by  
Frank O Pinyon

A fine, warm ANZAC day was a treat for those that ventured up the freeway to Mount Barker for the annual Father and Son Competition. A total of 47 shooters kicked off the 2 x 8 shot match at 600 yards at around 9am. Mount Barker Rifle Club again presented the range to its usual high standard and several members were there to set up and help run the four-off electronic targets.

The main Target Rifle trophy for the off rifle 'Fathers and Sons' pair was won for a record eighth time by Phil Bradshaw and daughter Lynlee Lowe with 158.14 out of a possible 160. Phil also placed second with



Lynlee Lowe and Phil Bradshaw



Dean and Paul Bartel

his older daughter Bronwyn with 157.14.

The 'Frank Bradshaw Memorial' for

the F Standard 'Fathers and Sons' trophy was won by Robert Mousley and his daughter Kerren Neale with 179.5 out of a possible 192.


In F Open Paul Bartel and son Dean backed up last year's win and took home the 'Braund Family Shield' with 177.6.

The SARRE Cup for handicap was won by Phil Bradshaw and Lynlee Lowe.

The 'Husband and Wife' trophy was won by the F Open pair of Richard and Kerry Braund. I believe Kerry may have beaten Richard with his own gun, so maybe Richard is a better coach than he is shooter!!

Either way Richard was doing the dishes that night.





## S.A.R.A.

# News

From the Executive Officer's Office

SARA would like to thank everyone who helped in preparing the range, organising and running of the Queens. Once again it was a very successful event with lots of fun and good shooting had by all.

### Club Chits

A reminder to members that when you are renewing your Firearms Licence or registering a firearm, you need to send a Club chit with your application. Chits are available from your club secretary.



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Stuart Braund and Kerry won the “In-Laws” trophy; the “Brother’s Trophy” was won by Lynlee and Bronwyn; and the “Self-Handicap” was won by Richard and Stuart.

Rachel Hajek paired with Grandpa Phil to win the Grandparent/Child trophy for the second year in succession.

The Off-rifle Target Rifle trophy which is the “Bleasdale Cup” was awarded to Kym Muller who scored a possible 80.11. This was Kym’s first visit to Father and Son with his youngest boy Duncan.

The F Open Medal for top off rifle went to Stuart Braund with 95.10 and F Standard top score for the day was Nicole Edwards, also with a very creditable possible 96.4.

Richard McInnes was pulled out of retirement for the day and took out the Veterans trophy as well as pulling off a win in the shootoff to claim an Anzac Day Medal.

The Ex-serviceman trophy was won by Brad Hajek - husband of Bronwyn.

Jacinta Blackmore backed up last year’s win to take the Junior Trophy again.

The Open Pairs for F Class was won by Jason Nessling and Cameron Whant with 189.3 from a possible 192 and unfortunately the Target Rifle open pairs was not contested.

The shoot off in each discipline to determine the Anzac Day Medal winners was held at the conclusion of the main event with the top four Target Rifle, top four F Standard and top four F Open shooters going head to head for the three Anzac Day medals. Bronwyn Hajek won her fourth Target Rifle medal.

The F Open medal was won by Stuart Braund, which is his first win and the F Standard medal was won also for the first time by Richard McInnes.

A good time was had by all and the Mount Barker ladies kept everyone well fed and watered throughout the day as usual.



*Kerren and Rob Mousley*

# North Arm Rifle Club Combined Sunshine Coast RSL ANZAC Memorial .303 Military Rifle Competition

By Grant Larsen,  
photos by Des Voght

The annual Combined Sunshine Coast RSL ANZAC Memorial .303 Military Rifle Competition for 2018 was conducted by North Arm Rifle Club (NARC) at their Davison Range Target Sports complex on Sunday April 15, 2018.

Supporting RSL clubs had representative teams participating which saw a total of 30 shooters competing for an impressive range of trophies.

Competitors shot ten-shot matches over 300 metres, 400 yards and 500 yards with excellent conditions and some very good scores.

Shooters nominated in one of four divisions - Service Rifle as Issued, Modified Service Rifle, Service Modified Scope Rifle and RSL Division, as well as a Team competition. The 'one-up' scoring system was used to score each range.

Ian Mathison from Casino took out the Lilley District Rifle Association Grand Aggregate 'Service Rifle as Issued' division for the three ranges with a score of 144.07.



RSL winning team – Mike Hogan, Mark Guy and Dave Cairns



The Nomads winning team made up of Ken Burrell, Ian Mathison, Shane Kao and Brian Long with Bingham family member, Judy Brown



Range view at 400 yards

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Action at 300 metres



Brian Long from Pittsworth with the trophy for the most V-bulls

The 'Modified Service Rifle' division Grand Aggregate, sponsored by the Maroochy RSL, was won by Brian Long from Pittsworth with an excellent score of 149.19.

The Service Modified Scope Rifle Division Caloundra RSL Sub-branch Grand Aggregate was won



Brian Long from Pittsworth being presented with the Bruce Bingham trophy by members of the Bingham family, Judy Brown and Taylah Stafford



Ian Skipworth from North Arm preparing for his scope shoot

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Ian Mathison from Casino, winner of the grand aggregate for -As Issued- division



Brian Long from Pittsworth being presented with the trophy for winning the -Modified- grand aggregate from Bingham family member Judy Brown

SERVICE RIFLE AS ISSUED	DIV 1	300MTR	400YDS	500YDS	AGG
IAN MATHISON					
ROD WOOD	48.04	50.02	46.01	144.07	
DES VOUGHT	47.04	49.03	44.02	140.09	
GRANT DAWSON	45.01	49.03	45.03	139.07	
KEN BURRELL	44.02	44.01	40.00	128.03	
RILEY CRAWFORD	28.00	47.01	42.00	117.01	
PETER JACOBSON	32.00	40.01	44.02	116.03	
MARSHALL DAVIS	32.00	46.01	28.00	101.01	
LACHLAN DAVIS	36.02	28.00	33.00	97.02	
IAN MCMILLAN	27.00	27.00	32.00	86.00	
IAN MCMILLAN	29.00	25.01	27.00	81.01	

SERVICE RIFLE MODIFIED	DIV 2	300MTR	400YDS	500YDS	AGG
BRIAN LONG					
PETER RICHARDS	49.07	50.06	50.06	149.19	
SHANE KAO	49.04	50.07	50.03	149.14	
GLENN SKIPWORTH	49.05	50.05	50.01	149.11	
DAVID HATHERELL	48.03	50.02	50.04	148.09	
DAVE BOREHAM	47.07	50.05	49.04	146.16	
BOB CRAWFORD	45.03	49.04	49.03	141.10	
JIMMY WARDLELL	45.01	49.03	47.02	141.06	
JESSICA CRAWFORD	48.01	49.06	41.00	138.07	
DOUG SECOMBE	47.03	45.03	45.02	137.08	
PAUL FEENEY	41.02	48.03	46.00	135.05	
DAVID RICHARDSON	35.01	46.02	41.02	122.05	
DAVID RICHARDSON	36.00	36.02	29.00	101.02	

RSL	DIV 4	300MTR	400YDS	500YDS	AGG
DAVE CAIRNS					
GEORGE SEDGEWICK	36.01	44.01	37.00	117.02	
MIKE HOSAN	39.01	41.00	33.00	113.01	
MARK GUY	36.02	41.02	18.00	95.04	
ADAM HODGSON	31.01	35.00	29.00	95.01	
GREG PULLIN	31.00	28.01	28.00	87.01	
GREG PULLIN	26.00	32.00	28.00	86.00	

SCOPE SERVICE RIFLE	DIV 3	300MTR	400YDS	500YDS	AGG
KRISTINE CRAWFORD					
IAN SKIPWORTH	50.00	49.05	50.04	149.17	
IAN SKIPWORTH	43.00	42.01	42.01	127.02	

Score sheet



North Arm - Davison Range

by Kristine Crawford from Gympie/Kilkivan with an aggregate of 149.17.

The winner of the RSL Grand Aggregate division, sponsored by the Cooroy-Pomona RSL Sub-branch,

was Dave Cairns of Caloundra RSL with a score of 117.02.

The Bruce Bingham Memorial Trophy for the highest Grand



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*Kristine Crawford from Gympie Kilkivan being presented with the trophy for winning the -Scope- grand aggregate from Bingham family member Judy Brown*



*Dave Cairns from the Caloundra RSL being presented with the trophy for winning the -RSL- Grand aggregate from Bingham family member Judy Brown*

Aggregate across all divisions was won by Brian Long.

Brian Long also won the trophy, sponsored by the Cooroy Hotel, for the highest V-bull count of 19 V-bulls.

The Nambour RSL Sub-branch Perpetual Trophy for the RSL Teams Event was won by the Caloundra RSL Number 1 team. The Caloundra team was made up of Mark Guy, Mike Hogan and Dave Cairns.

The Nomads team won the NARC Teams Event trophy. Members of the winning team were Brian Long, Shane Kao, Ian Mathison and Ken Burrell.



*North Arm member David Richardson*



*The Gympie Kilkivan crew*



*Shane Kao, Ian Mathison, Ted Long and Brian Long*

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**Results are as follows:**

**300 metres sponsored by the Caloundra RSL Sub-branch:**

**Service Rifle as Issued**

1. Ian Mathison (Casino)	48.04
2. Rod Wood (QMRC)	47.04
3. Des Voght (North Arm)	45.01

**Modified Service Rifle**

1. Brian Long (Pittsworth)	49.07
2. Shane Kao (QMRC)	49.05
3. Peter Richards (QMRC)	49.04

**Service Modified Scope**

1. Kristine Crawford (Gympie/Kilk)	50.08
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**RSL**

1. George Sedgewick (Caloundra)	39.01
2. Mike Hogan (Caloundra)	36.02
3. Dave Cairns (Caloundra)	36.01

**400 yards sponsored by the Maroochy RSL:**

**Service Rifle as Issued**

1. Ian Mathison (Casino)	50.02
2. Rod Wood (QMRC)	49.03
3. Des Voght (North Arm)	49.03

**Modified Service Rifle**

1. Peter Richards (QMRC)	50.07
2. Brian Long (Pittsworth)	50.06
3. David Hatherell (Gympie/Kilk)	50.05

**Service Modified Scop**

1. Kristine Crawford (Gympie/Kilk)	49.05
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**RSL**

1. Dave Cairns (Caloundra)	44.01
2. Michael Hogan (Caloundra)	41.02
3. George Sedgewick (Caloundra)	41.00

**500yards sponsored by the Cooroy-Pomona RSL Sub-branch:**

**Service Rifle as Issued**

1. Ian Mathison (Casino)	46.01
2. Des Voght (North Arm)	45.03
3. Riley Crawford (Gympie/Kilk)	44.02

**Modified Service Rifle**

1. Brian Long (Pittsworth)	50.06
2. Glenn Skipworth (QMRC)	50.04
3. Peter Richards (QMRC)	50.03

**Service Modified Scope**

1. Kristine Crawford (Gympie/Kilk)	50.04
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**RSL.**

1. Dave Cairns (Caloundra)	37.00
2. George Sedgewick (Caloundra)	33.00
3. Mark Guy (Caloundra)	29.00

Special thanks are directed to



*Recorders Karen Cole and Iris Voght*



*Dave Boreham and Ian Skipworth from North Arm*



*Presentations*

the many volunteer workers and markers from North Arm Rifle Club for their work on the day.

Special mention and thanks to our sponsors for their financial support of the competition goes to:

- Bingham family**
- Caloundra R.S.L. Sub-branch**
- Cooroy Hotel**

- Cooroy-Pomona RSL Sub-branch**
- Lilley District Rifle Association**
- Maroochy R.S.L. Club**
- Sunshine Coast Camphor Laurel Timber Initiative**
- Bob Bull** - .303 Competition Organiser
- Grant Larsen** - NARC Secretary
- Des Voght** - photographs

# Darling Downs DRA Prize Shoot

By Dennis Bidgood

This year the annual Darling Downs District Rifle Association event was hosted by the Crows Nest/Goombungee and District Rifle Club over two beautiful sunny days with light to mild wind and temperatures around 21 degrees Celsius. A total of 32 shooters turned up for the Sweepstakes Competition on Saturday afternoon which comprised 2 x 10 shots over 500 yards.

In Target Rifle A Grade, local Marksman Ash Bidgood mastered the light conditions to post a possible 100.15, his father Max topped Target Rifle B Grade with 99.10. Target Rifle C Grade was won by Tom Smith from Darling Downs on 93.3. F Standard A Grade was won by Andrew McKillop of Bundaberg/Burnett 119.7, F Standard B Grade success went to Roger Hannemann from Crows Nest/Goombungee 118.7. F Open was taken by Lowell Tillack of Goondiwindi 119.10 and in FTR the winner was Ron Millingen from Murwillumbah with a score of 115.6.

The Crows Nest/Goombungee Club Ladies served up a very nice hot meal that was washed down with a beer or two or three by quite a few attendees who wisely camped overnight. Sunday morning commenced with the Goondiwindi Club Members cooking a barbeque breakfast for the overnight campers. The 43 Shooters then trudged up the hill to commence the 2 x 600 yard ranges. Conditions picked up a little from the previous day and turned around to come from left to right with a 1-3 Minute variance. This kept the wind arm fingers twitching some as there were two only 50's in Target Rifle, four 60's in F Open, one in F Standard B Grade and one in FTR.

The two 600 yard ranges were completed shortly after 11am due to the low entry numbers, the use of SMET's and by rolling through both 600's without a break. Shooters and guests chowed down on a nice steak burger before the commencement of the 10 shot match at 500 yards at 12:30. Again wind arm fingers were working to stay with conditions which resulted in two only 50's in Target Rifle and one in F Open. All shooting was completed by 2:15, with the range hardware packed away and prizes prepared for the presentation by 3pm.

The Day's Aggregates were awarded to: Target Rifle A Grade Ash Bidgood Crows Nest/Goombungee 148.17, Target Rifle B Grade Jim Breeze Darling Downs 147.9, Target Rifle C Grade Tom Smith Darling Downs 141.8, F Standard A Grade Andrew McKillop Bundaberg/Burnett 172.14, F Standard B Grade Peter Haden Gatton/Glenore Grove 170.4, F Open Mark Fairbairn Cannon Hill RSL 180.13 and FTR Jason Mayers Brisbane 175.10.

The two day aggregates were: Target Rifle A Grade Ash Bidgood Crows Nest/Goombungee 248.32, Target Rifle B Grade Joshua Turner Bundaberg/Burnett 245.21, Target Rifle C Grade Tom Smith Darling Downs 234.11, F Standard A Grade Andrew McKillop Bundaberg/Burnett 291.21, F Standard B Grade

Rodger Hannemann Crows Nest/Goombungee 287.15, F Open Lowell Tillack Goondiwindi 297.27 and FTR Ron Millingen Murwillumbah 286.16.

The SS Barrel was won by John Gilliland Crows Nest/Goombungee. In general, the event was successful and enjoyed by all, however the low attendance was disappointing.

A comment by one competitor said that it was a pity that the big city people who only need to drive for just over an hour to this range did not support the event, whereby quite a lot of the attendees from Country Clubs travelled up to three hours. Most people agreed that these events in the Country need to be supported otherwise they become unsustainable due to cost and will disappear like Rifle Ranges are in the present environment.

## THE RIFLEMEN

### A History of the National Rifle Association of Australia 1888-1988

"... followed either as an art or a sport – for it has two sides – there is nothing in the way of recreation that can compare with rifle shooting." – Arthur G. Leslie, *Rifle Sketches*, 1906

The long awaited history of the National Rifle Association of Australia's first 100 years was launched at the National Queen's at Belmont on 19 June 2013.

This important work provides a rich overview of the history behind the development of rifle shooting and the rifle club movement in Australia in war and peace. The history details the formation and development of colonial and then State rifle associations and the rifle clubs themselves, some of which have been in continuous operation for much more than 100 years.

It is filled with anecdotal and factual detail of the fascinating characters and individuals who led and influenced the rifle club movement across Australia from its inception until the present day.

Listed in extensive annexes are details of early targets and colonial firearms, every association councillor since the first General Council was established in 1888 to 1988 as well as the results of the great intercolonial, interstate, international and national rifle competitions over that period.

The NRAA is proud of this extensive, fascinating and frank history of the first 100 years of the National association and the rifle club movement as a whole. It is a must for every rifleman's library.

Contact your State or Territory rifle association for your copy at the special member price.



# Townsville Marksmen Rifle Club Prize Meeting

Compiled by Bruce Mahony

This year's meeting was conducted in wonderful cool conditions with some very good scores recorded for the first two ranges, however a slight fish tail wind developed at the 900 metres that seemed to catch everyone unawares. Not a single possible was shot at this range, keeping results in doubt to the very end.

The range was looking picture perfect and is a credit to the hard working club members, with the electronic targets behaving well and Bruce Scott's administration, the shoot went off without a hitch. Fifty two nominations were received which is down from previous years but with the addition of the Veterans championships, next year's meet should see a boost in numbers.

Catering was once again at its very best with Lisa and her delicious Philippino themed cooking again proving to be very popular. The club is also very grateful for the wonderful sponsorship from local business houses and club members.

The Mayor of Darwin - Gary Gee, who once again made the long trek south, took out this year's Target Rifle A Grade competition by a

clear point from Joshua Cox and local Eric Christie in third place.

TMRC Captain Bob Hawkins was successful in Target Rifle B Grade, beating Peter Hulett and Martin Eiteneuer (counting out Carol Hulett for third).

Darren Canute, who recently swapped the rest for a sling, took out Target Rifle C Grade from Louise McShane and Ben Munro.

In F Standard A Grade Greg Emms bested Jim Blomfield by three X's with John Kent third.

Paul Finger shot all three ranges in three minutes and easily took out F Standard B Grade with a score that would have won the A Grade. Lance Matthews was second and ex woodchopper Peter Munro was third.

Scores were close in F Open, as Mark Azzopardi counted out Marty Lobert by one X, with Dutchey Lisiewicz in third.

FTR was a two horse race with Steve Lazarus accounting for Tim Lawrence.

Scores in detail:

**Tuesday Aggregate : 700, 800 and 900 metres**

## Target Rifle A Grade

Garry Gee	Darwin	148.12
Joshua Cox	Cairns	147.10
Eric Christie	TM.R.C	146.13

## Target Rifle B Grade

Bob Hawkins	TM.R.C	144.09
Peter Hulett	Geelong	143.10
Martin Eiteneuer	Marian	140.11

## Target Rifle C Grade

Darren Canute	TM.R.C	131.05
Louise McShane	Yarloop	122.06
Ben Munroe	TM.R.C	121.08

## F Standard. A Grade

Greg Emms	Lyndhurst	171.12
Jim Blomfield	Bowen	171.09
John Kent	Fashions	169.13

## Mt Wellington

### F Standard B Grade

Paul Finger	Gemfields	173.10
Lance Matthews	TM.R.C	166.07
Peter Monroe	TM.R.C	165.09

### F Open

Mark Azzopardi	Cairns	176.13
Marty Lobert	Cairns	176.12
Dutchy Lisiewicz	Mackay	175.11

### FTR

Steve Lazarus	Cairns	172.09
Tim Lawrence	TM.R.C	169.07



Aggregate Winners L to R: Garry Gee, Bob Hawkins, Darren Canute, Mark Azzopardi, Greg Emms, Paul Finger and Steve Lazarus



# Campbell Town Annual Prize Meeting

By Andrew Cowlrick

This is the only prize meeting in Tasmania where 10 ring targets are used, giving a maximum score for all disciplines of 100 for a ten shot match. In addition, the targets were scored using the Silver Mountain Electronic target system, with the target files for the server being accessed from the United States. The competition is over 500, 600, 900 and 1,000 yards.

This year with some very settled weather typical of early autumn in Tasmania, some exceptional scores were recorded. The most noteworthy score was that of F Open shooter Louise Thomas of the Campbell Town Rifle Club competing in her first open prize meeting who shot a 99 on the 500 yards range. The 10 ring on the 500 yard target is 73mm in diameter.

The ring dimensions for the 800, 900 and 1000 yards ranges (width of lines 10mm) are as follows.

10	145	6	1164 (Aiming Mark size)
9	291	5	1454
8	582	4	1745
7	873	3	ROT

The rings basically move out 145mm (radius) for each lower score.

The top score for the day was Stephen Clark (F Open, Launceston VDC) on 385. The 1,000 yards proved the most difficult for nearly all the competitors with scores

dropping down into the 80's, although George Crisp (F Open) from the Campbell Town Rifle Club achieved a score of 97. This was six points clear from the next highest. The top scorers are listed below.

## F Standard A Grade

1	Phillip Oliver	Sandford RC	97	96	98	91	382
2	Neville McKinnell	Campbell Town RC	97	99	92	91	379
3	Darryl Stehbens	Smithton RC	93	97	96	86	372

## F Class Open

1	Stephen Clark	Launceston VDC RC	99	97	96	93	385
2	George Crisp	Campbell Town RC	98	95	94	97	384
3	Gilbert Walker	Launceston VDC RC	98	98	95	91	382

## Target Rifle A Grade

1	Mark Walters	Launceston VDC RC	89	93	85	84	351
2	Micheil Sweet	Sandford RC	83	93	78	83	337

## F Standard B Grade

1	Barry Gough	Launceston VDC RC	99	93	85	86	363
2	Robert Armstrong	Launceston VDC RC	96	96	82	86	360
3	Derek Hadfield	Devonport Lat RC	94	83	86	85	348

## FTR

1	Alan Routledge	Launceston VDC RC	92	97	83	91	363
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## Target Rifle B Grade

1	Peter Hannaford	Launceston VDC RC	96	82	88	89	355
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# NEW SOUTH WALES RIFLE ASSOCIATION INC.

## 142<sup>nd</sup> Annual Open Championships

ANZAC RIFLE RANGE, MALABAR - October 3 - October 7, 2018

### Wednesday October 3

McIntosh 1st Stage: 500,500, 600 & 600m

### Thursday October 4

McIntosh 2nd Stage: 700, 700, 800 & 800m

### Friday October 5

Queen's 1st Stage: 500,500, 600m

Sargard Teams Match: 600m\* (15 Shots)

### Saturday October 6

Queen's 2nd Stage: 700, 700, 800 & 800m

### Sunday October 7

Queen's 3rd Stage: 800 & 800m\* (15 Shots)

➤ Manual/Paper Targets will be used for all events

Office use ENTRY No.

## INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FORM - ALL DISCIPLINES

### 1. Personal Details

*Please print carefully*

Surname: .....

Given names: .....

Date of Birth: .....

Club/Unit: .....

Postal Address: .....

Suburb: .....

State: ..... Postcode: .....

Telephone: .....

Fax/email: .....

State Association Membership No: .....

Shooters Licence/Permit No: .....

Licence must be shown at entry Collection

Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Left Handed: No  Yes  NRAA SID: .....

### 2. Special Entry Categories

*Please tick boxes as appropriate:*

Junior Shooter (TR) (Under 21 years as at first day of match)

Under 25 Shooter (TR) (Under 25 years as at first day of match)

School Shooter (TR) (Fulltime secondary Student)

Veteran (TR) (Over the age of 60 years as at first day of match)

F Class Junior (Under 21 years as at first day of match)

Lady (TR)

Cadet (TR)

(Serving Cadets in Army CC, Navy C, Air TC)

Tyro (TR)

AARA Trophy (TR)

(Only open to AARA members. Queen Agg. TR)



*The Executive reserves the right to alter the Programme,  
Badge/Prize Money according to entries.  
Member, Sport NSW Inc*

# INDIVIDUAL ENTRY FORM - ALL DISCIPLINES - Page 2

Surname: .....

### 3. Target Rifle Matches

Tick grade: A Grade  B Grade  C Grade   
FA  FB  FO  FTR

#### J.G. McIntosh September 13-14

All TR, All F Class FTR .....\$130.00

#### Queens and Belt Series September 15-17

All TR, All F Class FTR .....\$160.00

### 4. Ammunition

Will be available for purchase from the NSWRA Store @  
prices current @ the time of collection and payment.

Please indicate number of rounds and type of projectile  
required.

.308 .....

.223 (Sierra) .....

### 5. Accommodation

Powered Caravan/Tent Site (per night)....\$30.00  
from ..... to ..... = Total amount \$

Unpowered Caravan/Tent Site (per night) \$10.00  
(Includes vans connected to club units)  
from ..... to ..... = Total amount \$

Hut Accommodation (per night) .....\$20.00  
from ..... to ..... = Total amount \$

Bed included (no bedding)

Bedding hire (per night) .....\$5.00  
(incl. 2 sheets, blanket, 1 pillow) \$

### 6. Range User Fee

Range User Fee - **Must be included** + \$15.00

TOTAL FEES PAYABLE \$

There is a \$15.00 (Inc GST) charge for the ANZAC  
Range user fee. The one charge covers all  
shooting events entered for the week.

### 7. Late Entry Fee of \$10.00

(If Entry received after 28th September) \$

### 8. I enclose payment by:

CASH (at office only, do not post) .....

CHEQUE (payable to NSW Rifle Association Inc) .....

MONEY ORDER .....

### CREDIT CARD

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Card No:

Expiry Date:  /

Name on Card: .....

Signature: .....

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**or Fax: (02) 9661 6042**

#### OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Rec'd: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/18 [ ] Checked [ ] D/B Inv. No. \_\_\_\_\_ Chq/Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Entry No. \_\_\_\_\_

# Long Range "Bisley" Shoot

By Greg Warrian

Last year we combined F Class team practice with a pairs match over the "longs" at 800, 900 and 1000 yards at Ungarie. This was so popular that the State F Class Association decided to run an individual two day event this year. Due again to popular demand, the program was 15 shot matches at 800, 900 and 1000 yards each day for two days. As much as possible, the entrants chose their "partners" for the weekend. The local community were unable to assist with marking or catering due to a very important weekend event. Self-marking with two shooters per target was the adopted format.

"Bisley" style was the chosen way to go, with shooters firing alternately and scoring for each other. We had 27 entries on Saturday and 32 on Sunday. This proved quite a challenge, as we had only four targets to use. There were, of course, a few logistical issues to sort out and the "Ungarie" weather challenged everybody at times. Will it be on again next year? You betcha!

## F Class State Teams

The next teams event is scheduled for Western Australia in middle to late September next year. Could all interested persons send their nominations to the NSWRA office please? Teams are for F Open, Standard and FTR and require a Captain, Manager, Coach and six shooting members. To ensure that we get sufficient numbers, would nominees please advise Lou Shallis (shallislou@gmail.com) or Greg Warrian when you have completed the form. The form can be downloaded from the State website - <https://www.nswra.org.au/>



# COONABARABRAN RIFLE CLUB

## Open Prize Meeting

Coonabarabran Rifle Range

Sat Sept 29 and Sun Sept 30, 2018  
(NSW Labour Day Long Weekend)

**Saturday** 9am start

\$35.00 entry fee

2 x 500 metres, 600 metres

**Sunday** 8.30 start

\$35.00 entry fee

700 metres, 800 metres, 1000 yard

2 sighters optional

10 shots to count at each range

### Range Prizes and Daily Aggregate for all Grades

5 Bullion Badges for TRA

3 for TRB, 3 for TRC, 3 for FA

3 for FB, 1 for FO, 1 for FTR

Brekky, lunches, smokos

available for both days

"Roast with the Most" Saturday night

### Paid markers

Gold coin camping on range, hot showers

*This meeting will be conducted under Standard Shooting Rules for Australian Rifle Clubs*

### Contact

Graham Kelly 0427421469

Janice Baker 0403508179

Email: [janbak60@gmail.com](mailto:janbak60@gmail.com)

NSW F CLASS ASSOCIATION										
TR		Saturday 10 Mar				Sunday 11 Mar				TR
INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION	800 yds	900 yds	1000 yds	Total	800 yds	900 yds	1000 yds	Total	Total Score	Ranking
NAME	SCORE	SCORE	SCORE		SCORE	SCORE	SCORE			
Bill Bailletlyne	76.003	73.006	66.004	215.013	73.005	65.003	58.001	196.009	411.022	1
David Xuereb	71.005	68.009	58.000	197.014	74.009	70.005	59.000	203.014	400.028	25
Brian Patsky	70.001			70.001				0.000	70.001	25

NSW F CLASS ASSOCIATION										
FTR		Saturday 10 Mar				Sunday 11 Mar				FTR
INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION	800 yds	900 yds	1000 yds	Total	800 yds	900 yds	1000 yds	Total	Total Score	Ranking
NAME	SCORE	SCORE	SCORE		SCORE	SCORE	SCORE			
Gary Faulkner	84.004	75.003	83.004	242.011	90.009	86.005	68	244.014	486.025	1
Anthony Perdersen	74.002	76.002	79.001	229.005	88.009	86.003	73.001	247.013	476.018	2
Darren Bradley	87.001	66.000	75.003	228.004	89.009	75.001	68.001	232.011	460.015	4
Geoff Willis	82.003	75	81.002	238.005	86.003	85.001	60	231.004	469.009	3
Mike Halloran	71.003	72.001	69.000	212.004	77.002	75.002	0.000	152.004	364.008	

NSW F CLASS ASSOCIATION										
FSTD		Saturday 10 Mar				Sunday 11 Mar				FSTD
INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION	800 yds	900 yds	1000 yds	Total	800 yds	900 yds	1000 yds	Total	Total Score	Ranking
NAME	SCORE	SCORE	SCORE		SCORE	SCORE	SCORE			
David Vivian Jones	85.003	76.002	82.002	243.007	86.006	78.002	71	235.008	478.015	1
Alan Forbes	82.001	79.002	79.001	240.004	82.003	80.003	67.002	229.008	469.012	2
Peter Walters	80.002	72.001	74.001	226.004	86.004	75	74.001	235.005	461.009	3
Jacintia Bradley	83.005	72.002	73.002	228.009	89.009	67.000	62.001	218.010	446.019	4
Robert Kozminski	81.001	63.002	68.000	212.003	86.006	80.005	67.001	233.012	445.015	5
Joseph Jason	65.001	80.002	71.002	216.005	82.003	82.001	64.001	228.005	444.010	6
Jordan Hoskinson	78.001	78	78.003	234.004				0.000	234.004	7
Warrick Sides				0.000	83.001	66.002	68.001	217.004	217.004	8

NSW F CLASS ASSOCIATION										
FOpen		Saturday 10 Mar				Sunday 11 Mar				FOpen
INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION	800 yds	900 yds	1000 yds	Total	800 yds	900 yds	1000 yds	Total	Total Score	Ranking
NAME	SCORE	SCORE	SCORE		SCORE	SCORE	SCORE			
Geoff Krake	88.004	82.003	84.002	254.009	86.005	85.005	77.002	248.012	502.021	1
Rod Davis	86.004	82.003	82.002	250.009	90.009	82.004	79.003	251.016	501.025	2
Les Rozsmaj	87.001	75.002	78.003	240.006	90.012	86.003	80.003	256.018	496.024	3
Dwain Miller	88.005	79.001	81.002	248.008	86.005	84.002	78.005	248.012	496.020	4
David Avery	86.003	80.002	80.002	246.007	87.005	85.006	77.002	249.013	495.020	5
Dan Shallis	83.005	81	82.003	246.008	84.003	85.003	78	247.006	493.014	6
Ben Goodwin	83.008	78.002	80.002	241.012	89.011	85.003	74	248.013	489.025	7
David Pearshall	89.003	83.002	78.002	250.007	83.004	78.005	78.001	239.010	489.017	8
Greg Warrian	86.006	79.002	73.001	238.009	84.005	84.005	82.002	250.012	488.021	9
Simon Deservy	80.003	77.000	80.004	237.007	87.006	87.006	74.002	248.014	485.021	11
Lou Shallis	84.004	73.003	73.003	230.010	90.009	84.002	68.000	242.011	472.021	14
John Dixon	76.001	76.001	77.002	229.004	87.005	75.001	53	215.006	444.010	21
Alan Frasier	87.004	85.004	79.001	251.009	90.007	86.003	0	176.010	427.019	23
Spencer Dunstall		73.003	78.002	151.005	84.005	81.001	70.001	235.007	386.012	26
Nerille Lyons				0.000	86.006	83.004	71.002	240.012	240.012	28
Graham Crowe				0.000	83.005	77.001	74	234.006	234.006	29
Garry Trudgett				0.000	87.003	68	64	219.003	219.003	31
Jordan Hoskinson				0.000	89.005	83.001	73.001	172.006	172.006	31

# Eastern Goldfields Gold Nugget a Hit

By Vanessa Bliss

Always a favourite meet on any West Aussie's calendar is the Eastern Goldfields District Rifle Association's (EGDRA) Gold Nugget Prize Meet. This year was no exception, with the competition held at the Kambalda Rifle Range, fifty kilometres southeast of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

Held over the WA Day long weekend in June, the competition was fierce straight off the bat with some big scores being achieved across all disciplines. The target rifle field was represented with eight shooters in Division A and seven in Division B. The F Class saw eleven shooters in F Standard, four in F Open and nine in FTR.

Saturday's competition programme consisted of 10 shot, then 15 shot matches at 500 yards. After lunch, the programme moved to the 600 yards with another 10 shot match and 15 shot match ending in a shoot-off between Target Rifle's Laurie (Laurence) McKay (Bencubbin Rifle Club) and Kambalda's own Paddy (Patrick) Coulson (Kambalda Rifle Club), to determine the day's

aggregate - with Laurie winning the day.

The morning fog held up shooting on the Sunday morning but didn't dampen the eagerness to get the next 10 and 15 shot matches underway from the 800 yard mound. The slight delay gave rise to an opportunity to take a few

group photos, and then firing got underway.

After a small break for lunch we were at the 900 yard range for the final push to the finish. Weather conditions changed considerably after the first 10 shots, making



Kambalda Rifle Club's Micheal Green making everyone feel "welcome"



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Winners: L-R: A Ozolnieks (TR Div B), L McKay (TR Div A), C Keogh (FS), B Hallam (FO), D Bliss (FTR)

**Australian Target Rifle**

**Submission Guidelines**

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Australian Target Rifle Magazine welcomes contributions covering shooting events, topics of relevance to target shooting and technical articles. Submitting material is easy - just email some text to [atr\\_editorial@nraa.com.au](mailto:atr_editorial@nraa.com.au).

**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.

the final 15 shot match for the competition a real hum-dinger.

The Prize Meeting went off without a single hitch and the condition of the range, clubhouse, food and hospitality are a credit to the Kambalda Rifle Club and the members of the EGDR. A fantastic weekend was had by all and some of us even got to go home with a chunk of gold for our efforts! Well done to everyone involved and we'll be back next year to have another crack.

**Grand Aggregate Results**

**Target Rifle - Division A**

1	Laurie Mackay	Bencubbin	491.43
2	David Martin	Kalgoorlie	490.47
3	Micheal Green	Kambalda	489.48

**Target Rifle - Division B**

1	Andy Ozolnieks	Mundaring	487.49
2	Graeme Turner	Mundaring	472.20
3	Jodie Hitch	Bassendean Bellevue	471.28

**F Standard**

1	Catherine Keogh	Beverley	587.41
2	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	581.31
3	Denis Blechynden	Beverley	577.44

**F Open**

1	Bill Hallam	Beverley	585.37
2	Ray Hurley	Esperance	584.49
3	Adrian Moffat	Esperance	560.23

**FTR**

1	David Bliss	Perth Fremantle	574.25
2	Vanessa Bliss	Perth Fremantle	569.26
3	Stephen Mortimer	Esperance	564.29



# West Australian Rifle Association Inc.

## 109<sup>th</sup> Queen's Prize Meeting

### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2018

#### Pinjar Rifle Range

Corner of Higgins and Wandoo roads, Pinjar, WA 6078

Office Use Only

Entry no: \_\_\_\_\_

### ENTRY FORM

Surname: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ NRAA SID: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Suburb: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Club: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Firearms licence no: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please tick relevant boxes:**

Target Rifle  F Standard  F Open  FTR   
 Veterans  Super Veteran  Under 25   
 (60+ yrs) (70+ yrs)

Officers Cup  TYRO Match   
 (Target Rifle & WA Only) (Target Rifle & FClass)  
 Ex-Services Match   
 (Target Rifle Only)

MATCHES	Entry Fee	Late fee (after 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept 18)	Payment Due
Duke of Edinburgh (Sept 20 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> )	\$120.00	\$30.00	\$
Queens (Sept 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 24 <sup>th</sup> )	\$160.00	\$30.00	\$
<b>(Payments received after 14<sup>th</sup> Sept 2018 will incur the late fee)</b>			<b>Total</b> \$

**Camping** – The use of generators will be permitted but there will be a 10.00pm curfew applied.  
 Due to the Department of Environment and Conservation, NO GREY WATER is permitted to run onto the ground.  
 All grey water must be collected and deposited into the drains provided.  
 The complex operates on an Aerobic Treatment System, therefore the use of the facilities provided is recommended as there is no "Dump Facility" available on site. The nearest dump site is approximately 30 minutes away.  
 Non-Powered \$10.00 per site per night Total Nights: \_\_\_\_\_ Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment**  
 Cheque or Money Order  Cash  Direct Deposit   
 WARA Bank Details:  
 BSB: 633 000 Acc No: 147 069 298  
 Please use your surname as a reference

Please charge my:  
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Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiry: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ CCV: \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that the Standard Shooting Rules are to apply throughout this meeting. I certify that I am a financial member of my State Association and NRAA affiliated, and that I am the holder of an appropriate West Australian Firearms License or Temporary Permit (for interstate and overseas visitors).  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Refund Policy**  
 Any entry fees paid shall not be refunded by the West Australian Rifle Association unless written approval of the refund is granted by the Council of the Association. Any application for refund can only be made on the grounds of hardship or unforeseen circumstances and must be submitted in writing for determination by the Council. The decision of Council is final.

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# Stawell Prize Meeting

By Ted Holden

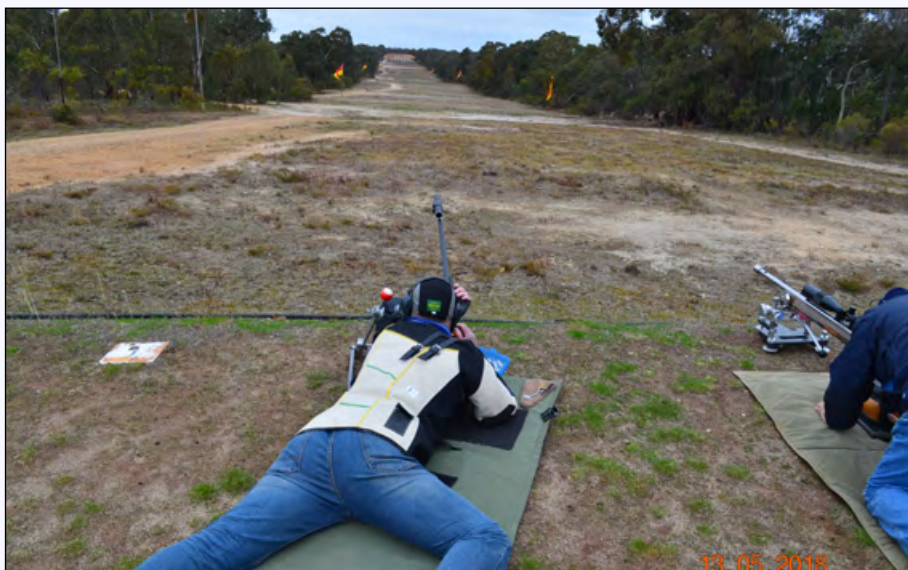
The 65th Stawell Prize Meeting was held on Saturday May 12 and Sunday (Mother's Day) May 13, following the previous three days of cold, wet, total inclement weather and with the forecast for the weekend of not much better. However, Stawell's location north of the divide provided two days of good shooting weather - be it cold, overcast and a bit windy.

The program was shot without delays and the newly refurbished club house provided a warm and hospitable venue for the enjoyable, friendly rivalry and camaraderie of the contestants which is a feature of our wonderful sport.

Club Treasurer George's hopes of a tidy profit were dashed on Saturday morning when only 20 competitors made up the entry. This however, did not distract from the usual very good performances of those who attended. Two stand-out performances were Werribee's Mark



All lined up at 900 Yards



Looking from 1000 Yards



The refurbished club house



## Call for Nominations

The VRA is calling for nominations for the positions of Chairman and three councillors on the VRA Council.

Nominations are to be submitted to the Executive Officer by COB Wednesday August 1, 2018.

Please contact the Executive Officer on [vra@vra.asn.au](mailto:vra@vra.asn.au) for more information.

The VRA AGM will be held on Saturday October 20, 2018.



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Alan Wright, Mahlon Reid, Bob Kinnear, Paul Murphy, Blade Lacey and Mark Horsnell

Horsnell's back-to-back win with last year of Target Rifle A Grade and Mahlon Reid from Boddington, WA adding an F Class A Grade win to his recent impressive list of Prize Meeting successes. Both these shooters won a Bridgestone \$250 voucher. Blade Lacey, who was the only entrant in Target Rifle B Grade won the entire trophy list in that Grade, including the coveted Hatley Memorial Trophy. Other winners were Alan Wright in F Class B Grade, Bob Kinnear in F Open and Paul Murphy in FTR.

**Stawell Results**

**Target Rifle A Grade**

1	Mark Horsnell	Werribee VIC	339.35
2	Richard Tapps	Lilydale VIC	336.33
3	Paul Watkins	Chapman Valley WA	333.20

**Target Rifle B Grade**

1	Blade Lacey	Maryborough VIC	313.21
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**F Standard A Grade**

1	Mahlon Reid	Boddington WA	395.22
2	Daniel Sandford	Hamilton VIC	393.22
3	Trevor Rhodes	Maryborough VIC	391.15



The refurbished kitchen - we extend our thanks to the ladies for the catering provided on the day

4	Bruce Serjeant	Werribee VIC	379.12
5	Noel Osborn	Rosedale VIC	367.9

**F Standard B Grade**

1	Alan Wright	Lang Lang VIC	390.22
2	Peter MacDonald	DVUY VIC	285.5

**F Open**

1	Bob Kinnear	Boddington WA	411.26
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2	Geoffrey Krake	Mildura-RC VIC	411.17
3	William Boyack	Portland VIC	402.20
4	Alan Taylor	Portland VIC	392.15
5	Robert Bant	South Bendigo VIC	386.14

**FTR**

1	Paul Murphy	Lilydale VIC	385.17
2	Marty Kelly	East Central DRA VIC	378.11
3	David Hillier	Hamilton VIC	352.9

**ACT**

**November**  
14-18 ACT Open Championships Queens (Canberra)

**NEW SOUTH WALES**

**July**  
1 West Wallsend OPM (Cessnock)  
14-15 DRA Weekend including Country v City C of C, DRA TEAMS (Anzac)  
16-20 Schools practice (Anzac)  
21 All Schools Teams (Anzac)  
22 Josephson Teams (Hornsby)

**August**  
7-11 QRA Queens (Belmont)  
19 Explorers Rifle Club OPM (Lockhart)  
26 Narromine-Dubbo Rifle Club OPM (Narromine-Dubbo)

**September**  
1-2 Ungarie Sweepstakes and OPM (Ungarie)  
17-19 State Teams TR and U25 TEAMS (Pinjar WA)  
21-28 West Australian Open Championships Queens (Pinjar WA)  
29-30 Coonabarran Rifle Club OPM (Coonabarran)

**October**  
1-6 Australian Match Rifle and Long Range Championships (Coonabarran)  
3-7 NSWRA 142nd Open Championships Queens (Anzac)  
7 Ultra long distance 1000yds - 1500yds Event (Coonabarran)  
14 Cootamundra OPM (Cootamundra)  
21 Gosford OPM (Kariang)  
28 Bathurst OPM (Bathurst)

**November**  
3-4 North Shore DRA 2 day OPM (Hornsby)  
10-11 Coffs Harbour Rifle Club Field/Rimfire OPM (Dairyville)  
14-18 ACT Open Championships Queens (Canberra)

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

**QUEENSLAND**

**July**  
7-8 Monto Sweepstake Shoot  
15 Beaudesert Rifle Club PM  
29 Ipswich & District Rifle Club PM

**August**  
4 Brisbane Rifle Club PM  
5 MDRA PM  
7-8 QRA Duncan Series  
9-11 QRA Queen's  
18-19 Gemfields Rifle Club PM  
25-26 Barcaldine Rifle Club PM  
31-2 Sept Goondiwindi Rifle Club PM

**September**  
28-29 September - 1 October Central Queensland Championships (Raglan)  
29-30 Wondai SBDRA PM (Wondai)

**October**  
27 North Arm Rifle Club PM  
28 Lillie DRA PM

**December**  
[TBA] Darling Downs Rifle Club PM  
8-9 Raglan Christmas Shoot

**NORTH QUEENSLAND**

**July**  
14 - 15 Cairns PM  
28 - 29 Pennants

**September**  
2 Atherton PM  
NB: Atherton PM changed to Sunday Sept 2 only

**October**  
6 Herberton PM  
7 Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet PM

**November**  
3 C&IDRA PM  
4 Mossman and District PM

**2019**

**May**  
14 TMRC & TDRA Prize Meeting  
15-16 NQRA Wilson  
17-19 NQRA Queens  
21-22 Veterans Team Matches

**SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

**July**  
8 SARA Forum (Lower Light)  
21-22 West Broken Hill (West Broken Hill)  
29 Match Rifle (Lower Light)

**August**  
4-5 Yunta OPM (Yunta)  
11-12 State Team Prac (Lower Light)  
18-19 Whyalla OPM (Whyalla)  
25-26 Match Rifle Champs (Lower Light)

**September**  
9 Kapunda OPM (Kapunda)  
16 Long Range F Class (Lower Light)

**October**  
14 No. 2 DRA OPM (Mt Barker)

**VICTORIA**

**August**  
4 GV DRA PM (Karramomus)  
5 Karramomus PM (Karramomus)

**September**  
8 Wodonga PM (Tallangatta)

9 Wangaratta Charity Shoot for Cancer (Glenrowan)

**October**  
13 Lang Lang PM (Lang Lang)  
20-21 DRA Teams & Champion of Champions (Wellsford)  
20 VRA AGM (Wellsford)

**2019**

**April**  
10-11 VRA Syme (Wellsford)  
12-14 VRA Queens (Wellsford)

**WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

**July**  
1 WARA Council Meeting & Annual Meeting of Council (Pinjar)  
14-15 Meekatharra Rifle Club PM (Meekatharra)  
28-29 Chapman Valley Rifle Club PM (Chapman Valley)

**August**  
3 Geraldton Greenough RC PM (Greenough)  
4-5 North West DRA PM (Greenough)  
25-26 Carnarvon Rifle Club PM (Carnarvon)

**September**  
8-9 Central Wheat Belt DRA PM (Merredin)  
15-16 Northampton Rifle Club PM (Northampton)  
16 WA Veterans Championships (Pinjar)  
17-19 2018 National TR Teams (Pinjar)  
20 DRA Teams, Ray Miles Teams (Pinjar)  
21-22 Duke of Edinburgh & Queens PM (Pinjar)  
23 WARA Annual General Meeting (Pinjar)

21-24 Queens PM (Pinjar)  
**October**  
6-7 Dowerin Rifle Club PM (Dowerin)  
28 Corrigin Rifle Club PM (Corrigin)  
31-2 Nov Australasian Police & Emergency Services Games (Pinjar)  
**November**  
3-4 Busselton Service Rifle (Coolilup)  
10 WARA Council Meeting (Pinjar)  
11 City of Subiaco Prize Meeting (Pinjar)

**Note:**  
**New Date for New South Wales Queens Prize**  
**October 3-7, 2018**

**Queens Series 2018**  
August 7 - 11 .....QLD Queens  
September 21-28 .....WA Queens  
October 3-7 .....NSW Queens  
November 14-18 .....ACT Queens

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# Winner of the VRA Queens Duncan Davies

