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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

Ben Emms, winner of the QRA Queens.

Cover photograph by Gordon Collie.

Chairman's Message

There are times when penning a message is easier than others, but on this occasion, I found it quite difficult. And not because there aren't some positive topics on which to report, but from an aspect of frustration.

But first, the excellent performance of both F Class teams competing in the World Championships in Ottawa, Canada, during August is a great tribute to the whole team - from Captain and office-bearers to shooters and supporters. The open team won Gold in the World Championship and FTR won Silver. Both teams worked brilliantly as separate teams and have set the benchmark for all teams at all levels for planning and performance.

Rod Davies won the World Individual Championship, leading a strong Australian representation in the results.

In West Australia, they have been rewarded by finally being able to conduct the 2017 Queens Prize Series on the Pinjar Rifle Range Complex. This project has been some years in planning, construction and legalities after Swanbourne has no longer been available to the target shooting fraternity.

This year the late assurance that the State Championships would be conducted, meant it became quite difficult to obtain Firearm Permits to travel to West Australia; the only State which imposes such a burden. Please keep this requirement in mind should at any time you plan to travel with a firearm to WA.

In 2018, the Pinjar Range will be host to the State Teams Merrett Match Series on an excellent new complex.

The disappointment in the last few weeks makes one wonder "why do I do this?" I guess a little bit of stupidity helps.

In Queensland, there are two great potential range complex areas under considerable pressure. The first is an area of land at Jondaryan outside Toowoomba, purchased to replace the Toowoomba Rifle Range which was closed after the devastating 2011 floods. (Let's not go into the Government decisions to do this.) The second range is at Beaudesert - 60 kilometres from Brisbane. The area which has been used as a rifle range for decades has now been placed for sale by the State Government at a substantial price. Would that it could be purchased outright. There are ongoing discussions/negotiations about this land.

The worst long term decisions made by rifle shooting administration generally have been not to purchase every available range as it has become available. How this could have been financed I have no idea, but the moral of these points is that, as range properties are lost to shooting generally, so will our active membership contract. By stealth, our Governments, who to our face say they support shooting, will make rifle shooting more and more difficult in which to participate.

Please work for your sport and take up the cudgel for shooting. Doing nothing is not an option. No doubt similar events are happening in other parts of Australia.

This will be the last message prior to our Christmas-time celebrations, and I take this opportunity to wish all shooters and families peace and joy, whatever your situation in life.

GR Duncan
Chairman



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NRAA F OPEN TEAM

F CLASS TRANS TASMAN TEAMS MATCHES, NEW ZEALAND 2018

The NRAA is pleased to advise and congratulate the following on their successful selection to the NRAA F Open Team to New Zealand in 2018:

CAPTAIN: Dennis Shallis
COACH: Greg Warriar
SHOOTERS: Antony Cave
Lewis Reynolds
Les Rozsnyai
Graham Sells
Gerry Thomas
Albert van Wyk

We wish them every success in New Zealand in 2018!

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FTR TEAM - F CLASS TRANS TASMAN TEAMS MATCHES NEW ZEALAND 2018

The NRAA is pleased to advise and congratulate the following on their successful selection to the NRAA FTR Team to New Zealand in 2018:

CAPTAIN: Rod Mahon
COACH/SHOOTER: Chris Allman
Geoff Willis
SHOOTERS: Jordan Drew
Jeff Eppleston
Dennis Formiatti
Betta Gianasi
Don Laughton
RESERVE SHOOTERS: David Vivian-Jones
(IN ORDER) Alan Patrick
Eva Patrick

Again, congratulations on your selection.

John Fitzgerald
John Fitzgerald
NRAA Competitions Director

F Class World Championships

Article and photos by Craig McGowan

August 2017 saw the fifth running of the F Class World Championships at the picturesque Connaught Military Range, located just outside Ottawa, Canada. With over 450 competitors and 10 nations competing, it has truly become an international affair.

The program for the 2017 World Championships included the Canadian F Class National Championships and International Team Match prior to the main event, the F Class World Championship (Individual and Teams Matches).

Canadian F Class Nationals

The Canadian F Class Nationals was shot over 700, 800 and 900 metres, with six matches in total. From the outset, it was clear to the rest of the world that the Australians were here, and here to win. For the Australian F Open Team members, the results were a prelude into what was to come.

Australian Results

F Open Canadian F Class Championships

2.	Rod Davies	433v39
4.	Steve Lazarus	432v31
15.	Tim Nugent	426v36
21.	Marty Lobert	425v31
28.	Adam Pohl	424v30
30.	Brett Bunyan	424v24
33.	Dave Boreham	423v28
52.	Stuart Braund	420v21
55.	Peter Carter	419v31
65.	Lowell Tillack	418v30
69.	Peter Larsen	418v26
84.	Richard Braund	414v23
88.	Julian Daley	413v24
89.	Josh Reid	413v21



Rod Davies - Individual F Class Open Winner

91.	Ben Ferrara	412v29
109.	Michael Waites	408v29
113.	Craig McGowan	407v16



The Australian F Open Team, winners at the World Championships in Canada, 2017



International Teams Match Winners

126.	Adrian Conlon	403v11
130.	David Dobson	402v18
144.	Greg Warrian	391v18

The first chance to see the National Teams in action was in the Canadian F Class International Teams Match, and the Lum 4 Person Team Match. The International Team Match is a mixed team of four FTR and four F Open members and two coaches. Again, the professionalism and hunger of the Australian F Class Team members shone through to take the win in the International Teams Match from Team GB (1751v167) and South Africa (1749v163)

Australia 1756v137

Coach	Steve Lazarus	
Coach	Greg Warrian	
Vice-Captain	Marty Lobert	
Captain	Craig McGowan	
	Ben Ferrara	222v15
	Josh Reid	220v17
	Lowell Tillack	220v22
	Peter Larsen	223v19
	Jeff Eppleston	220v17
	Steve Sharp	212v15
	Nikki Slee	218v15
	Liam Hall	221v17

The hectic pace continued with the program onto the F Class World Championships Individual Event. This



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International Team Winners

was originally planned to be a three-day event, with a mixture of 700, 800 and 900 metre, 15 and 20 shot matches. However, rain after the first range on the first day saw the remaining two days changed slightly to make up for the two cancelled ranges. For the Australian Team members, it was again another reason to celebrate. Rod Davies and Adam Pohl took out first and third places respectively, with solid performances for all team members.

Australian Results in F Open

1.	Rod Davies	489v41
3.	Adam Pohl	482v38
8.	Peter Carter	480v35

13.	Tim Nugent	477v39
15.	Julian Daley	477v36
21.	Ben Ferrara	475v33
22.	Steve Lazarus	475v32
24.	Marty Lobert	474v41
28.	Dave Boreham	473v38
34.	Peter Larsen	472v41
35.	Brett Bunyan	472v37
37.	Josh Reid	472v32
55.	Stuart Braund	469v34
78.	Colin Sutton	465v30
82.	Michael Waites	464v36
90.	Lowell Tillack	463v29
98.	David Dobson	461v28
146.	Richard Braund	447v27
156.	Greg Warrian	440v21
172.	Adrian Conlon	422v16

Australian Results in FTR

17.	Jason Mayers	463v35
20.	Gary Faulkner	463v31
27.	Nikki Slee	462v29
32.	Elisabetta Gianasi	461v29
65.	Rodney Mahon	452v26
67.	Chris Allman	452v23
70.	Steve Sharp	452v20
109.	Mike Willment	444v23
112.	Mark Fairbairn	444v19



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129.	Geoff Willis	439v20
130.	Mike Samuels	439v19
134.	Danny Blackmore	438v23
141.	Jeff Eppleston	436v26
145.	Brett Bond	436v19
158.	Shane Dowling	431v22
166.	Liam Hall	427v19
181.	Don Laughton	418v14
196.	Jordan Drew	401v8
205.	David Vivian-Jones	293v15

With one day of teams practice in-between the Individual and the Teams Matches, it provided all the teams with the last opportunity to fine-tune line ups and switch from the individual mindset to one of being part of a team.

The first day of the Teams match saw a beautiful day with tricky conditions at midday, when the 800 metre match was underway. At the conclusion of the first day the Australian F Open Team knew they had a fight on their hands with the Canadian F Open Team taking the first day by four shots, 1737v164 v's 1733v143; with South Africa a further 16 shots back.

The Australian FTR Team shocked the favourites, USA, to race to an early lead moving 11 shots (1660v99 to 1649v113) clear at the end of the first day. Overall, it was a fantastic performance by the Australian Teams at the end of the first day. For the F Open team, the day did not finish until late into the night. Detailed analysis by coaches and Captain, as well as Dave McNamara and Peter Smith back in Australia, saw areas of improvement that could mean the difference on the final day.

Day two, like day one was a beautiful day, however the wind conditions had settled compared to the previous day. Both Australian Teams had solid starts at 700 metres with the Australian F Open Team picking up points on Canada, and the FTR Team maintaining their lead. The 800 metres was a repeat of the 700 with the Australian F Open Team picking up enough points to take a slender lead over the Canadian Team. For the Australian FTR Team, they were hanging on going into the final range. At 900 metres the Australian F Open Team struck early, while conditions remained relatively calm. A cool, calm professionalism prevailed on the mound as the 16-man team went about the job in a businesslike manner. Once the F Open Team finished it would be another 20 minutes until the Canadian Team finished and the result was known: Gold to the Australian F Open Team.

Results

1.	Australia F-Open	3511v342
2.	Team Canada F-Open	3506v346
3.	USA F-Open	3500v350

Without doubt, the 2017 F Class Team would have to be one of the NRAA's most successful International Teams, both from an individual and teams' performance. The bar has been raised once again. Knowledge gained from the 2017 F Class World Championship, will see F Class in Australia is setting the standard well into the future.



Rod Davies took second place in the Canadian FCNC

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International Flags flying as the teams assemble

FTR Report

By Rod Mahon

We started off with a large squad of hopefuls, all excellent FTR shooters, and very committed to doing the hard yards to come home with a medal.

Each State and Territory had a mixed squad of F Open and FTR shooters and coaches. The idea behind this

type of squad was that we were all in this together right from the start, plus it gave us a larger regional squad to work together and we would gel as one big happy family.

Both international teams practiced using the Retro Plotter system as much as possible so that coaches and plotters were familiar with this system.

We practised as a whole team before the National State Teams in Adelaide and before the Nationals in Brisbane. We only had a few minor issues (such as very tall left and right handers shooting at the same time) and we were right to go!

In Canada both International Teams and both Rutland teams (approximately 50+ shooters) got on so well with each other that I had senior team members from the USA and Canada teams marvelling at the camaraderie, either on or off the range.

During the Canadian Nationals, all senior members of the team experimented with conditions to try and get a handle on the lack of flags and what the mirage was doing in relation to flags etc. This showed in some of our shoots.

For the Canadian Teams we put together a strong combined FO/FTR team. Everyone took notice when that team won - hopefully they were getting worried.



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Concentration and teamwork required

After the FTR team was announced for the Worlds all team members knew what their job was for the next two days ie. Scorers, plotters and shooters.

I have to congratulate all team members. They all did their job very professionally from first to last shot.

At the completion of day one we were 11 points in front. A great day's work! Greg Warrian, Brett Bond and Geoff Willis had done a brilliant job coaching. Team USA must have been watching our coaches during the day because one of their coaches came over to me and congratulated our coaches on their brilliant effort.

Conditions were very difficult for that first day.

On the second day, conditions were a bit better early so hopefully we could hold it all together. At 700 metres we dropped three points for eight shooters, so it looked like nerves were under control. After 800 metres we were still in front with some steady shooting and coaching. At 900 metres we worked our way through



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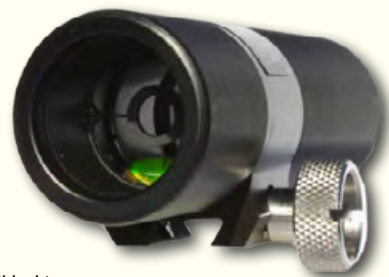
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FTR Second place in the FCWC Teams Match



Peter Carter took eighth place

the conditions pretty well and basically stayed out of trouble. By the time we had finished, the USA had fired quite a lot of sighters looking for a condition, so that they could hopefully get lots of shots away in minimal time. There were murmurs of "we may have lost this" as they were hoping for slightly calmer conditions later in the day. In the end, their gamble paid off and we were beaten into the Silver medal position.

FTR Results

1.	USA Rifle Team	3400v264
2.	Australia FTR	3394v237
3.	South Africa	3376v250

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The Australian FTR team to shoot the International Matches were:

Captain Rod Mahon

Coaches Brett Bond, Greg Warrian and Geoff Willis

Shooters: Jeff Eppleston, Mark Fairbairn, Gary Faulkner, Liam Hall, Don Laughton, Tim Lawrence, Jason Mayers, Mike Samuels, Steve Sharp, Nikki Slee, Mike Willment and Manager Shane Dowling.

Queensland Rifle Association Queens

Article and photos by Gordon Collie

Kiwi shoots possible to win Duncan

New Zealand shooter John Snowden set a hot pace, winning the Duncan lead-up match to the QRA Queens with a possible 300 with 33 centres over the six range event.

John, from Ashburton in the South Island, has been a regular visitor to Brisbane and is part of a strong 2017 Kiwi contingent.

Three shooters finished the Duncan one shot down on 299, with Jim Bailey from Holsworthy second with 36 centres; Ash Bidgood from Crows Nest, third with 32; and Stuart Collings from Sydney fourth with 26.

North Arm shooter Scott Robson won B Grade with a 296 and Mark Buckingham from University took out C Grade.

Brent Knusden from Cannon Hill won F Open and Craig Pratt from Natives the FTR competition.

Sydney visitor John Leask took out the strong F Standard class.

Duncan Results

Target Rifle A Grade

1	John Snowden	Ashburton NZ	300.033
2	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy	299.036
3	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest G/bungee	299.032
4	Stuart Collings	Mosman Neutral Bay	299.026
5	Mark Thurtell	Lyndhurst	298.041
6	Gillian Webb-Enslin	Pacific	298.039
7	Lee Robinson	Beaudesert	298.030
8	Michael Collings	Te Puke NZ	298.026
9	Benjamin Emms	Lyndhurst	297.043
10	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo	297.037
11	Mark Buchanan	Roseville	297.035
12	Leigh Marett	Natives	297.028
13	David Black	Shepparton/Nathalia	296.038
14	Geoff Kerr	Pacific	296.032
15	Don Thompson	Natives	296.032
16	Geoffrey Wellburn	Pacific	296.027
17	John Gilliland	Crows Nest G/bungee	296.024
18	Mitchell Bailey	Holsworthy	295.036
19	Brett Thurtell	Wodonga	295.035
20	Chris Schwebel	Holsworthy	295.034
21	Gordon Duncan	Albert and Central	295.019
22	Peter Thurtell	Wingham	294.042
23	Matthew Pozzebon	University of Qld	294.032
24	Darren Enslin	Pacific	294.029
25	Matthew Shepherd	Endeavour	294.029

Target Rifle B Grade

1	Scott Robson	North Arm	296.021
2	Bill Ballantyne	Hornsby RSL	292.030
3	Barry White	Wingham	287.022
4	Derek Sharp	Brisbane Mariners	287.020



QRA Queens winner Ben Emms from Lyndhurst, NSW

5	Rudi Mueller	Natives	287.020
6	Damien Doyle	Cooma	287.016
7	Tina Thornhill	Albert and Central	286.024
8	Nikk Ellis	Crows Nest G/bungee	286.022
9	Max Bidgood	Crows Nest G/bungee	285.017
10	Christopher McKenzie	Grafton	284.024

Target Rifle C Grade

1	Mark Buckingham	University of Qld	284.016
2	Kevin Muffett	Aberdeen	275.013
3	Phillip West	Darwin	266.012
4	Peter Hannaford	Launceston VDC	243.009

F Standard A Grade

1	John Leask	North Sydney	353.027
2	John Simons	Broken Hill	352.032
3	Nick Williamson	Gemfields	352.026
4	Denis Aarons	North Arm	350.029
5	Mal Sharp	Lyndhurst	350.013



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6	Gregory Emms	Lyndhurst	346.021
7	Andrew McKillop	Bundaberg/Burnett	346.020
8	Wayne Latham	Natives	344.021
9	Ross Atherton	Central Qld	342.019
10	Dick Blocksidge	Albert and Central	342.018

F Standard B Grade

1	Terence Daniel	Brisbane	348.020
2	Peter Drew	Brisbane	347.024
3	Michael Johansen	Gisborne NZ	339.013
4	Paul Finger	Gemfields	335.015
5	Henry Mischlewski	Albert and Central	335.014
6	Craig Clark	Gatton Glenore Gr	330.013
7	Damien Tansley	Ipswich	329.012
8	Glenn Ellis	Crows Nest G/bungee	328.007
9	Marty Duffield	Brisbane Mariners	327.013
10	Christina Adams	Wingham	323.013

F Open

1	Brent Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL	355.021
2	Dianne Jonker	Wangaratta	353.025
3	Andrew Pearce	North Arm	352.030
4	Alan Seaman	Manly	352.028
5	Adrian Siebel	Hornsby RSL	352.024
6	David Reddan	Gatton Glenore Gr	351.021
7	Andrew Burns	North Arm	350.027



NZ shooter John Snowden won the Duncan Match

8	Gary Towers	Bundaberg/Burnett	350.018
9	Filippus Jonker	Wangaratta	348.027
10	Meichelle Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL	347.021

FTR

1	Craig Pratt	Natives	350.026
2	Andrew Blaiklock	Brisbane Mariners	345.025
3	Dennis Formiatti	Canberra	338.020
4	Ron Millingen	Murwillumbah	332.016

Ben Gets Eye in For Commonwealth Games

The 2017 Queensland Rifle Association Queens Prize has proved good range practice for NSW shooter Ben Emms, ahead of the Commonwealth Games next April.

Ben snared just his second Queens, outlasting a quality international field over the final 900 and 1000 yards in the howling westerly on Saturday 19 August.

With the best shooters struggling to stay on target, Ben dropped 12 shots for an aggregate 488 over the three-day event. He also secured the Queens-Duncan Grand Aggregate.

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Josh Pratt from Natives who won the Queens B Grade

Ben finished the Queens two shots clear of Ipswich veteran Rob Rush with Gillian Webb-Enslin from Pacific a shot back in third.

He and Sydney shooter Jim Bailey will represent Australia in the 2018 Commonwealth Games.

Young Mariners club member Josh Pratt continued his meteoric rise in the sport, handling the atrocious conditions well to win the B Grade Queens with an aggregate 478.

Joshua Turner from Bundaberg-Burnett won C Grade.

Gemfields Rifle Club member Nick Williamson continued his great form to blitz a strong F Standard Queens field, winning by six shots.

Young Mariners member Andrew Blaiklock finished 10 shots clear in F Target Rifle while Sydney visitor Adrian Siebel won the F Open.

Queens Prize Results

Target Rifle A Grade			
1	Benjamin Emms	Lyndhurst	488.042
2	Rob Rush	Ipswich	486.048
3	Gillian Webb-Enslin	Pacific	485.056
4	Matthew Pozzebon	University	485.040
5	Lee Robinson	Beauresert	484.046
6	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo	483.050
7	Aubrey Sonnenberg	Concord	483.033
8	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy	482.060
9	Darren Enslin	Pacific	482.035

10	Duncan Davies	West Wallsend	481.054
11	Brett McCauley	Fashions Mount Wellington	481.052
12	Paul Savage	Port Pirie	481.043
13	James Corbett	Benalla	480.057
14	Andrew Wilson	Narrabri	480.053
15	Donna Negus	Bungendore	480.048
16	Rob Cadden	Albert	480.048
17	John Snowden	Ashburton NZ	480.045
18	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest G/bungee	480.043
19	Andrew Sims	Port Jackson	480.043
20	Shane Abood	Albert	480.041
21	Andrew Mayfield	Ipswich	480.040
22	Mitchell Bailey	Holsworthy	480.038
23	Chris Schwebel	Holsworthy	479.046
24	Charles Arrowsmith	Biloela	479.042
25	Stuart Collings	Mosman Neutral Bay	479.041
26	Brian Carter	Te Puke NZ	479.040
27	Michael Chad	Port Macquarie	478.045
28	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane	478.043
29	Mark Thurtell	Lyndhurst	477.042
30	Mark Horsnell	Bacchus Marsh	477.038

Target Rifle B Grade			
1	Josh Pratt	Natives	478.030
2	Alexander Hoffmann	Concord	472.033
3	Scott Robson	North Arm	471.035
4	Tony Logan	Ipswich	471.033
5	Derek Sharp	Brisbane Mariners	470.032
6	Christopher McKenzie	Grafton	468.032
7	Nikk Ellis	Crows Nest G/bungee	467.033
8	Kevin Howlett	Natives	464.043
9	Tina Thornhill	Albert	463.032
10	Damon Livermore	Sydney	463.022
11	Barry White	Wingham	462.031



Brent and Meichelle Knudsen, Cannon Hill

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Andrew Blaiklock from Mariners won the Queens FTR

12	Bill Ballantyne	Hornsby RSL	462.028
13	Peter Richard Bevan	Central Qld	462.027
14	Luke Baker	Natives	462.023
15	Damien Doyle	Cooma	462.022

Target Rifle C Grade

1	Joshua Turner	Bundaberg/Burnett	455.033
2	Mark Banks	University of QLD	448.026
3	Phillip West	Darwin	442.022
4	Peter Hannaford	Launceston VDC	441.013
5	Kevin Muffett	Aberdeen	439.016

F Standard A Grade

1	Nick Williamson	Gemfields	560.030
2	Bob Pedersen	Wodonga	554.030
3	Dick Blocksidge	Albert	548.024
4	Gregory Emms	Lyndhurst	547.028
5	John Leask	North Sydney	547.024
6	John Simons	Broken Hill	546.030
7	Alex Macpherson	Ipswich	546.024
8	John Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington	546.021
9	Wayne Latham	Natives	545.020
10	David Hatherell	Gympie-Kilkivan	543.036

F Standard B Grade

1	Paul Finger	Gemfields	544.022
2	Henry Mischlewski	Albert	542.025
3	Terence Daniel	Brisbane	538.019
4	Peter Drew	Brisbane	537.028
5	Marty Duffield	Brisbane Mariners	534.017
6	Christina Adams	Wingham	526.017
7	David Willis	Armidale	526.015
8	Kev Allen	Gatton Glenore Gr	524.017
9	Damien Tansley	Ipswich	519.017
10	Merrick Rhone	Hornsby RSL	518.014

F Open

1	Adrian Siebel	Hornsby RSL	581.040
2	Alan Seaman	Manly	575.047
3	Brent Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL	573.035
4	Meichelle Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL	571.035
5	Ernie Mace	Albert	571.026
6	Stephen Nelson	Beaudesert	569.038
7	David Reddan	Gatton Glenore Gr	568.033
8	Andrew Burns	North Arm	564.036
9	Andrew Pearce	North Arm	563.035
10	Cory Lang	Brisbane	563.031

FTR

1	Andrew Blaiklock	Brisbane Mariners	556.028
2	Dennis Formiatti	Canberra	546.029
3	Craig Pratt	Natives	544.029
4	Terry Lancaster	Cessnock	521.021
5	Leslie Pedersen	Darling Downs	519.019
6	Ron Millingen	Murwillumbah	480.022
7	Philip Brook	Brisbane	331.024



Adrian Siebel from Hornsby RSL won the Queens F Open

Grand Aggregate Results
Target Rifle A Grade

1	Benjamin Emms	Lyndhurst	785.085
2	Gillian Webb-Enslin	Pacific	783.095
3	Lee Robinson	Beaudesert	782.076
4	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy	781.096
5	Geoff Grenfell	Bendigo	780.087
6	John Snowden	Ashburton NZ	780.078
7	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest G/bungee	779.075
8	Matthew Pozzebon	University	779.072
9	Stuart Collings	Mosman Neutral Bay	778.067
10	Darren Enslin	Pacific	776.064
11	Mark Thurtell	Lyndhurst	775.083
12	Mitchell Bailey	Holsworthy	775.074
13	Chris Schwebel	Holsworthy	774.080
14	Andrew Sims	Port Jackson	773.070
15	Rob Rush	Ipswich	773.070
16	Andrew Mayfield	Ipswich	773.061
17	Rob Cadden	Albert	772.080
18	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane	772.072
19	Brian Carter	Te Puke NZ	772.067
20	Leigh Marett	Natives	770.058
21	Brett Thurtell	Wodonga	769.080
22	John Gilliland	Crows Nest G/bungee	769.047
23	Kim O'Loughlin	Natives	768.078
24	David Black	Shepparton/Nathalia	768.077
25	Alex Davies	West Wallsend	768.075
26	Charles Arrowsmith	Biloela	768.071
27	Stephen Williams	Bathurst	768.066
28	Nick Cock	Bathurst	768.064
29	Geoff Grant	Brisbane Mariners	768.045
30	George Edser	Albert	767.073

Target Rifle B Grade

1	Scott Robson	North Arm	767.056
2	Josh Pratt	Natives	762.052
3	Derek Sharp	Brisbane Mariners	757.052
4	Bill Ballantyne	Hornsby RSL	754.058
5	Tony Logan	Ipswich	754.048
6	Nikk Ellis	Crows Nest G/bungee	753.055
7	Christopher McKenzie	Grafton	752.056
8	Tina Thornhill	Albert	749.056
9	Barry White	Wingham	749.053
10	Damien Doyle	Cooma	749.038
11	Rudi Mueller	Natives	746.052
12	Peter Richard Bevan	Central Qld	746.044
13	Greg Cavanagh	Wodonga	740.035
14	Frank Chester	Mareeba	736.037
15	Clinton Whyte	Kaituna Blenheim NZ	735.054

Target Rifle C Grade

1	Kevin Muffett	Aberdeen	714.029
2	Phillip West	Darwin	708.034
3	Peter Hannaford	Launceston VDC	684.022
4	Joshua Turner	Bundaberg/Burnett	455.033
5	Mark Banks	University	448.026





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Nick Williamson from Gemfields won another F Standard Queens

F Standard A Grade

1	Nick Williamson	Gemfields	912.056
2	John Leask	North Sydney	900.051
3	John Simons	Broken Hill	898.062
4	Gregory Emms	Lyndhurst	893.049
5	Dick Blocksidge	Albert	890.042
6	Wayne Latham	Natives	889.041

7	Alex Macpherson	Ipswich	887.041
8	Andrew McKillop	Bundaberg/Burnett	884.045
9	Denis Aarons	North Arm	883.052
10	John Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington	882.036

F Standard B Grade

1	Terence Daniel	Brisbane	886.039
2	Peter Drew	Brisbane	884.052
3	Paul Finger	Gemfields	879.037
4	Henry Mischlewski	Albert	877.039
5	Marty Duffield	Brisbane Mariners	861.030
6	Michael Johansen	Gisborne NZ	854.028
7	Christina Adams	Wingham	849.030
8	Damien Tansley	Ipswich	848.029
9	Glenn Ellis	Crows Nest G/bungee	841.016
10	Kev Allen	Gatton Glenore Gr	837.029

F Open

1	Adrian Siebel	Hornsby RSL	933.064
2	Brent Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL	928.056
3	Alan Seaman	Manly	927.075
4	David Reddan	Gatton Glenore Gr	919.054
5	Meichelle Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL	918.056
6	Andrew Pearce	North Arm	915.065
7	Andrew Burns	North Arm	914.063
8	Stephen Nelson	Beaudesert	914.056
9	Ernie Mace	Albert	910.042
10	Gary Towers	Bundaberg/Burnett	909.049

FTR

1	Andrew Blaiklock	Brisbane Mariners	901.053
2	Craig Pratt	Natives	894.055
3	Dennis Formiatti	Canberra	884.049
4	Ron Millingen	Murwillumbah	812.038
5	Terry Lancaster	Cessnock	521.021
6	Leslie Pedersen	Darling Downs	519.019
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Barry Lewis, Brisbane, on the 100 yards at the Queens

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NSW Queens 2017

By David McGuigan

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One thing for sure, when you come to the Sydney Queens there is always a gentle north easterly breeze, where you set your sight and forget it. Ha ha, not this year! This year we had very strong and changeable West to South Westerly winds that prevailed for five days and did more than simply create a testing ground for shooters' ability to read wind and withstand buffet. It was so strong it also created havoc with the nearby airport and tested the reliability of the Electronic Targets and systems.

But power to the Range Officers, who coped very well with the difficulties they faced and a great vote of thanks also goes to the competitors themselves for the manner in which they accepted and coped with the constant changes in target allocation and squad reshuffles that became a daily occurrence. Never have we seen such extreme wind conditions last for the entire duration of the McIntosh lead-up shoot and the Queens itself. The Butts staff and Markers really shone throughout this experience and we must give them a big "Yay for the Day" for their efforts in keeping the shoot flowing.

As expected, a review of the entire programme and an analysis of what went right and where improvements can be made is now under way. Next year's NSW Queens will be a very different event and strong

emphasis will be placed on target systems. As stated in the competition welcome by our Chairman, it is expected and planned that next year we will also enjoy improved shooting mounds to add to the enjoyment and effectiveness of the event.

The improvements that have been made around Anzac were very evident this year. New roofing and cladding on all range buildings has made them much more welcoming, secure and comfortable. Rewiring is well underway and is to be finalised very soon. The new projects of target gallery upgrades and mound rebuilding will become the new focus in preparation for next year's championships.

With the 2017 NSWRA Championships now finished, it is time to look at how the competitions flowed and who shone during the five days.

JG McIntosh Series

A taste of the week was presented in the opening matches, where after the initial match at 300 metres there were only eight people across all disciplines that scored possibles (including 15 year old Jacinta Bradley); and after the second 300 metre match there was no one with a perfect score.

Due to the high winds blowing onto the face of the targets, the course of shooting for target rifle competitors was altered to be two by ten shot matches



F Class winners - l to r – John Faulkner, F Standard. Jacko Bending, F Open Gary Faulkner FTR and John's son

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at 300 metres and a fifteen shot match at 600 metres.

Heading into the 15 shot match there were a couple on 99, two on 98 and six on 97, but a range topping 72 by Jim Jeffrey at the last gave him a one point overnight lead.

Day two was much the same, with most shooters getting caught at least once, but Les Fraser from Lyndhurst got the better of the field to win the McIntosh by one point from Mosman's John Reynolds, who won the second day and Jim Jeffrey, the bronze.

In B Grade Bill Ballantyne built up a good lead on the first day and despite a strong effort from Fernando Gregorio went on to win by two points. Andrew Geary from Wingham was in third place.

While the competition numbers in C Grade were low this year, the competition itself was hotly contested with Peter Hannaford from Hornsby RSL taking the honours on day one but Michael Cubillo shot well enough on day two to win the McIntosh trophy.

In F Class Standard A Grade, Graham Crowe took out the McIntosh after a close battle with Peter Drew and Greg Emms. Greg headed the field after day one but good shooting on day two, particularly by Peter, saw Graham finish first, Peter second and Greg third.

In F Standard B Grade, Robert Sperring from Nowra won the first range and despite a wonderful shoot from



Queens winner Stuart Collings being welcomed by the NSWRA Chairman, John Baxter

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Mosman Neutral Bay, winners of the Sargard Coached Teams Match. L to R David Smith, Stuart Collings, Tony McGuigan and Michael Millen

Cedric May on day two, went on to win the McIntosh from Tom Doxford and Cedric May.

F Open was a tight tussle between Jacko Bending, Steve Rigby, Greg Warrian and Adrian Siebel. With Canberra's Jacko giving away a four point lead on day one and a further three after the first range on day two, his performance of a second and two firsts on the last three ranges gave him the win by one point over Steve Rigby and the coach of the World Champion F Class team, Greg Warrian.

FTR saw a battle between two members of the World Champion team with Geoff Willis taking the win on day one and Gary Faulkner reversing the table on day two to take out the overall victory.

McIntosh Results

Target Rifle A Grade			
1	Les Fraser	Lyndhurst NSW	355.19
2	John Reynolds	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	354.19
3	Jim Jeffery	Lyndhurst NSW	353.29
4	Ken Young	Southern Highlands NSW	351.24
5	Tony McGuigan	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	350.22
6	Peter Maher	Lilydale VIC	349.34
7	Stephen Williams	Bathurst NSW	349.26
8	John Baxter	Lithgow Small Arms NSW	349.22
9	Stuart Collings	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	348.26
10	Graeme Bright	Bathurst NSW	346.21
11	Philip Betts	Karramomus VIC	345.20
12	Mark Buchanan	Roseville NSW	344.23

13	Graeme Cleary	Port Jackson NSW	344.22
14	Wayne Boschetti	Marong VIC	344.15
15	Christopher Schwebel	Holsworthy NSW	343.17

Target Rifle B Grade

1	Bill Ballantyne	Hornsby RSL NSW	346.21
2	Fernando Gregorio	Sydney NSW	344.24
3	Andrew Geary	Wingham NSW	341.21
4	Mike Hodder	Roseville NSW	339.23
5	Kevin Muffett	Aberdeen NSW	338.18
6	Robert Lawler	Bega NSW	334.12
7	Kevin Schwebel	Holsworthy NSW	333.21
8	Peter Mitchell	West Wallsend NSW	329.14
9	Barry White	Wingham NSW	326.16
10	Alexander Hoffmann	Concord NSW	322.13

Target Rifle C Grade

1	Michael Cubillo	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	305.11
2	Peter Hannaford	Hornsby RSL NSW	294.7

F Standard A Grade

1	Graham Crowe	Explorers NSW	415.12
2	Peter Drew	Brisbane QLD	414.16
3	Greg Emms	Lyndhurst NSW	414.15
4	Heather Smith	Hornsby RSL NSW	410.14
5	Russell Palmer	Bega NSW	406.12
6	David Durrant	Bega NSW	402.10
7	Tim Golden	Griffith District NSW	400.12



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8	Eva Patrick	Roseville NSW	399.13
9	John Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	399.12
10	Bob Harvey	Marrickville NSW	398.12

F Standard B Grade

1	Robert Sperring	Nowra NSW	398.10
2	Thomas Doxford	Nowra NSW	398.7
3	Cedric May	Canberra ACT	397.9
4	Robert Kozminski	Roseville NSW	391.10
5	Allan Humbert	Roseville NSW	383.11
6	Matthew Pedrana	Concord NSW	381.7
7	Robert Bartlett	Wingham NSW	377.11
8	Peter Wilkins	Sydney NSW	377.7
9	Ronny Ware	Nowra NSW	360.4
10	Stuart Curry	Bankstown-Chatswood NSW	349.4

F Open

1	Jacko Bending	Canberra ACT	441.18
2	Steve Rigby	Railway & Tramway Inst. NSW	440.17
3	Greg Warrian	Tumut NSW	439.17
4	Adrian Siebel	Hornsby RSL NSW	435.19
5	Ernie Mace	Central QLD	430.14
6	Darren Bradley	Griffith District NSW	425.13
7	Michael Singleton	North Sydney NSW	424.19
8	Lyall Jodi	Rail & Tram NSW	423.23
9	Matt Paroz	North Sydney NSW	421.19
10	Daniel Jeffery	Holsworthy NSW	419.15

FTR

1	Gary Faulkner	Roseville NSW	426.15
2	Geoff Willis	Bathurst NSW	415.11

The Queens Prize

The Queens did start a bit better than the lead up with 18 people (10 target rifle and 8 F Class) recording possibles at the first range, but Ben Emms scored the only other possible shot in any class on day one. Not surprisingly, Ben headed the leader board after day one on a count back from Stuart Collings, with Jim Jeffrey, Les Fraser and young Mosman shooter David Smith rounding out the top five.

On day two, Stuart performed well and had a two point lead overnight, from Peter Thurtell and Les Fraser. On day three Stuart continued to shoot well despite the pressure of being the overnight leader, and scored the second best scores in both the last two stages to take out his first Queens Prize.

B Grade, opened up with a good first day win to Wingham shooter, Andrew Geary but then Fernando Gregorio took over and won the day two and day three aggregates to record a seven point win from Andrew and Nicholas Sims from Port Jackson who finished in third place.

While in C Grade, it was an all the ways win for Nicholas Hocking from Sydney Rifle Club, he did have a great battle with Gregory Cole from Concord. Nicholas



Queens winner Stuart Collings being piped into the auditorium – with previous Queens winners on the left providing a guard of honour

picked up the trophy on day one and day two but Greg fought back on day three to win the stage and just miss out by one point on winning the Queens.

In F Standard John Faulkner got out of the blocks quickly to win the first stage, from Ralph Garlick, Emma Kent and Russell Palmer. Ralph continued his form on day two to win the day from Greg Emms, John Kent and John Faulkner. However, day three shuffled up the score board with Anthony Lou from Hornsby RSL taking out the third stage from Peter Drew and David Durrant. But they couldn't stop John Faulkner at age 81 from winning the F Standard Championship Belt.

Queens Results

Target Rifle A Grade			
1	Stuart Collings	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	464.46
2	Peter Thurtell	Wingham NSW	463.44
3	Les Fraser	Lyndhurst NSW	462.41
4	Jim Jeffery	Lyndhurst NSW	461.41
5	Angus Bell	Port Jackson NSW	460.37
6	David Smith	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	459.38
7	Mike Chad	Port Macquarie NSW	458.41
8	Mitchell Bailey	Holsworthy NSW	458.41
9	Jim Bailey	Holsworthy NSW	458.40
10	Michael Millen	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	457.45
11	Barbara Schwebel	Holsworthy NSW	457.44
12	Angus Martin	Roseville NSW	457.31
13	Ben Emms	Lyndhurst NSW	456.42
14	Brett McCauley	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	456.38
15	Peter Maher	Lilydale VIC	456.33
16	Scott Brindley	Explorers NSW	455.40
17	Mark Thurtell	Lyndhurst NSW	455.40
18	Stephen Williams	Bathurst NSW	454.41
19	Rob Avery	Cessnock NSW	454.35
20	John Baxter	Lithgow Small Arms NSW	454.33
21	Mark Buchanan	Roseville NSW	453.38
22	Wayne Boschetti	Marong VIC	452.44
23	Steve Negus	Canberra NSW	452.40
24	Helen Griffiths	Pacific QLD	451.35
25	Ken Young	Southern Highlands NSW	450.35
26	Griffo Griffiths	Grafton NSW	450.34
27	Matthew Shepherd	Endeavour NSW	449.36
28	David McIntosh	Canberra ACT	448.31
29	Philip Betts	Karramomus VIC	447.39
30	Alex Davies	West Wallsend NSW	446.35

Target Rifle B Grade			
1	Fernando Gregorio	Sydney NSW	460.29
2	Andrew Geary	Wingham NSW	453.22
3	Nicholas Sims	Port Jackson NSW	449.35
4	Graham Kelly	Coonabarabran NSW	449.33
5	Barry White	Wingham NSW	445.21
6	Damien Doyle	Cooma NSW	440.32
7	Andrew Gad	Sydney NSW	440.18
8	Bill Ballantyne	Hornsby RSL NSW	439.25
9	Damon Livermore	Sydney NSW	437.28
10	David Hancy	Bankstown Chatswood NSW	437.26

Target Rifle C Grade			
1	Nicholas Hocking	Sydney NSW	438.27
2	Gregory Cole	Concord NSW	437.21
3	Adam Beale	Roseville NSW	421.24
4	John Maguire	West Wallsend NSW	415.20
5	Michael Cubillo	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	410.19
6	Aydin Varol	Newington College NSW	410.14
7	Peter Hannaford	Hornsby RSL NSW	407.16
8	Anthony Fassilis	Bankstown Chatswood NSW	406.12
9	Thomas Hamilton	Shore NSW	405.13

F Class Standard A Grade			
1	John Faulkner	Nowra NSW	529.34
2	Peter Drew	Brisbane QLD	527.23
3	Greg Emms	Lyndhurst NSW	523.23
4	Ralph Garlick	Lyndhurst NSW	522.28
5	Anthony Loh	Hornsby RSL NSW	517.24
6	David Durrant	Bega NSW	515.23
7	Emma Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	515.19
8	John Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	515.16
9	Peter Johnstone	Marrickville NSW	514.26
10	Russell Palmer	Bega NSW	514.15

F Class Standard B Grade			
1	Robert Sperring	Nowra NSW	507.19
2	Matthew Pedrana	Concord NSW	504.19
3	Thomas Doxford	Nowra NSW	503.15
4	Allan Humbert	Roseville NSW	500.15
5	Robert Kozminski	Roseville NSW	496.17
6	Cedric May	Canberra ACT	488.18
7	Robert Bartlett	Wingham NSW	486.15
8	Peter Harris	Goulburn NSW	482.9
9	Peter Wilkins	Sydney NSW	472.10
10	Ronny Ware	Nowra NSW	468.12

F Open			
1	Jacko Bending	Canberra ACT	547.35
2	Matt Paroz	North Sydney NSW	543.31
3	Darren Bradley	Griffith District NSW	543.30
4	Michael Singleton	North Sydney NSW	543.26
5	John Peters	Cessnock NSW	542.24
6	Ernie Mace	Central QLD	542.23
7	Greg Warrian	Tumut NSW	536.26
8	Michael Henry	Railway & Tramway Inst. NSW	535.30
9	Christopher Rigby	Gosford District NSW	532.26

FTR			
1	Gary Faulkner	Roseville NSW	535.31
2	Jeffrey Eppeleston	Bathurst NSW	528.23
3	Frans Knox	Brisbane QLD	521.21
4	Geoff Willis	Bathurst NSW	515.19
5	Anthony Pedersen	Canberra ACT	512.22

It was a great performance in F Standard B by Robert Sperring from Nowra Rifle Club, who completed the double by winning the McIntosh and the Queens prize. On day one Allan Humbert was victorious, with Robert coming second from Robert Bartlett and Matt Pedrana. Mr Sperring got the honours on day two from his club



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Families Match Winners – Jim and Mitch Bailey

mate Tom Doxford with Robert Kozminski and Matt Pedrana in third and fourth places respectively. Strong performances from the same four, plus Allan Humbert in the final stage, meant the top five positions would be shared amongst them.

Jacko Bending also managed to stay undefeated for the week with a win in both the McIntosh and the F Open Belt Championship. The first stage of the open division was won by Matt Paroz from North Sydney with Jacko in second but closely followed by Darren Bradley, Greg Warrian and Michael Singleton. The second stage was a tight result with Darren Bradley and Ernie Mace heading the list but the next nine, including Jacko, were all grouped together. However, Jacko pressed his claim for the winner's trophy by winning the third stage from Michael Henry and John Peters.

A rare event took place with the win in FTR by Gary Faulkner as he joined his father as winners of F Class belts at the same Championships. John won the F Standard Championship Belt. While Gary won both events during the week it was not all his way, with Frans Knox and Jeffrey Eppeleston recording fine performances also to finish second and third.

Queens Grand Aggregate Results

Target Rifle A Grade			
1	Les Fraser	Lyndhurst NSW	817.60
2	Jim Jeffery	Lyndhurst NSW	814.70
3	Stuart Collings	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	812.72
4	Peter Maher	Lilydale VIC	805.67
5	Stephen Williams	Bathurst NSW	803.67
6	John Baxter	Lithgow Small Arms NSW	803.55
7	Ken Young	Southern Highlands NSW	801.59
8	Mark Buchanan	Roseville NSW	797.61
9	Mike Chad	Port Macquarie NSW	797.59
10	Wayne Boschetti	Marong VIC	796.59
11	Tony McGuigan	Mosman Neutral Bay NSW	794.61
12	Philip Betts	Karramomus VIC	792.59
13	Matthew Shepherd	Endeavour NSW	788.60
14	Griffo Griffiths	Grafton NSW	788.53
15	Graeme Cleary	Port Jackson NSW	788.50
16	Graeme Bright	Bathurst NSW	787.41
17	Don Thompson	Natives QLD	782.46
18	Christopher Schwebel	Holsworthy NSW	780.40

Australian Target Rifle

NSW Queens

19	David McIntosh	Canberra ACT	777.46
20	Nick Cock	Bathurst NSW	777.42

Target Rifle B Grade

1	Fernando Gregorio	Sydney NSW	804.53
2	Andrew Geary	Wingham NSW	794.43
3	Bill Ballantyne	Hornsby RSL NSW	785.46
4	Barry White	Wingham NSW	771.37
5	Kevin Schwebel	Holsworthy NSW	770.46
6	Robert Lawler	Bega NSW	769.38
7	Peter Mitchell	West Wallsend NSW	763.39
8	Mike Hodder	Roseville NSW	759.42
9	Alexander Hoffmann	Concord NSW	755.45
10	Kevin Muffett	Aberdeen NSW	751.37

Target Rifle C Grade

1	Michael Cubillo	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	715.30
2	Peter Hannaford	Hornsby RSL NSW	701.23

F Standard A Grade

1	Peter Drew	Brisbane QLD	941.39
2	Greg Emms	Lyndhurst NSW	937.38
3	Graham Crowe	Explorers NSW	928.38
4	Russell Palmer	Bega NSW	920.27
5	John Faulkner	Nowra NSW	918.40
6	David Durrant	Bega NSW	917.33
7	Heather Smith	Hornsby RSL NSW	914.32
8	John Kent	Fashions Mount Wellington NSW	914.28

9	Eva Patrick	Roseville NSW	906.34
10	Bob Harvey	Marrickville NSW	903.25

F Standard B Grade

1	Robert Sperring	Nowra NSW	905.29
2	Thomas Doxford	Nowra NSW	901.22
3	Robert Kozminski	Roseville NSW	887.27
4	Cedric May	Canberra ACT	885.27
5	Matthew Pedrana	Concord NSW	885.26
6	Allan Humbert	Roseville NSW	883.26
7	Robert Bartlett	Wingham NSW	863.26
8	Peter Wilkins	Sydney NSW	849.17
9	Ronny Ware	Nowra NSW	828.16

F Open

1	Jacko Bending	Canberra ACT	988.53
2	Greg Warrian	Tumut NSW	975.43
3	Ernie Mace	Central QLD	972.37
4	Steve Rigby	Railway & Tramway Inst. NSW	968.43
5	Darren Bradley	Griffith District NSW	968.43
6	Michael Singleton	North Sydney NSW	967.45
7	Matt Paroz	North Sydney NSW	964.50
8	Adrian Siebel	Hornsby RSL NSW	960.41
9	Jodi Lyall	Rail & Tram NSW	954.50

FTR

1	Gary Faulkner	Roseville NSW	961.46
2	Geoff Willis	Bathurst NSW	930.30



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Wodonga Prize Meeting

By Ken Dyason

In recent months, the Wodonga Rifle Club's two female members have been giving their male counterparts a lesson in shooting. And at the club's open Picnic Shoot nothing changed. Gayle Sewell was a two point winner in Target Rifle A Grade over three rounds at 900 yards.

Gayle dropped one point for a score of 149.12, to finish two points clear of champion shot James Corbett. The Tallangatta range turned on periods of quickly changing winds that caused the unwary plenty of trouble. After one of his shoots James Corbett remarked that he had shot between 1/2 left and four right.

The club received 36 entries for the shoot, which was just about the right number for its three HEXTA electronic targets. With rain falling overnight and a shower at 7am, fingers were crossed for good weather. The day turned out to be sunny, but with a cold westerly wind.

There were just nine possibles in target rifle (two from Gayle Sewell) and just one in the various F Class divisions. That was a 60.4 by Paul Deehan of Corryong, to give him a win in F Open.

Once again Wodonga presented range and aggregate prizes to all seven grades, thanks to the generosity of a range of sponsors.

That's 28 trophies for 36 shooters - not bad value. And we will do it again next year.

Shooters, spectators and families again enjoyed a hot roast lunch provided by our captain Greg Cavanagh through his butcher shop, and served up by our social director, the hardworking Colleen Morgan.

Results

Target rifle:

A Grade: Gayle Sewell (Wodonga) 149.12, James Corbett (Benalla) 147.17, Barry Wood (Katandra) 147.10, Peter O'Dwyer (Katandra) 147.10, Mike Rankin (Wangaratta)



Wodonga's three target rifle winners - Gary Mull, Gayle Sewell and Trevor Viney

146.9, David Black (Shepparton/Nathalia) 145.12, Michelle Fletcher (Wodonga) 145.7, Mark Sewell (Wodonga) 142.13, Ashley Maddison (Wodonga) 139.9, Peter Daldy (Karramomus) 133.8.

B Grade: Trevor Viney (Wodonga) 145.8, Greg Cavanagh (Wodonga) 141.9, Doug George Sen (Wangaratta) 140.6, Ross Moyle (Wodonga) 139.7, Paul Diffey (Wangaratta) 138.7, Fred Guyatt (Karramomus) 137.5, Richard McRae (Warragul/Drouin) 135.4, Peter Kelley (Wangaratta) 128.6.

C Grade: Gary Mull (Wodonga) 114.3.

F Standard A Grade: Bob Pedersen (Wodonga) 169.10, Marty Kelly (East Central DRA) 164.3, Morrie Jackman (Shepp/Nathalia) 160.5, Graeme Kerr (ECDRA) 156.4, Alexander Brown (Wangaratta) 148.3)

F Standard B Grade: Rod Reeves (Brisbane Mariners) 165.6, David Wallace (ECDRA) 158.9, Leonie Reeves (Wodonga) 155.3, Ken Dyason (Wodonga) 151.3, Matthew Powell (Wangaratta) 148.1.

F Open: Paul Deehan (Corryong) 172.7, Phil Jonker (Wangaratta) 170.9, Di Jonker (Wangaratta) 167.5.

FTR: Don Laughton (Lang Lang) 169.6, Paul Murphy (Lilydale) 157.3).



James Corbett satisfies his sweet tooth as F standard winner Bob Pedersen enjoys a warming coffee

Tallangatta Acquisition



Greg Cavanagh with St John Ambulance trainer Johnathan Barge following the training program

By Ken Dyason

The Tallangatta Rifle Range is the latest sporting facility to have a defibrillator in the case of a serious medical emergency.

The defibrillator was provided by the State Government as a part of its program to make the equipment available at sporting grounds.

St John Ambulance trainer Jonathan Barge presented the defibrillator and then carried out a 90 minute training program for members.

This has ensured that those at the range are able to help treat individuals who have a serious

heart problem, helping keep them alive until an ambulance arrives.

Rifle Club captain Greg Cavanagh said the defibrillator, worth several thousand dollars, was a welcome addition to facilities at the rifle range.

It follows an \$18,000 State Government grant to allow the installation of electronic targets at the range.

Those attending enjoyed a hot lunch and then went on to the club's annual meeting.

The club's program and various activities can be seen on the Wodonga Rifle Club's Facebook page.

Eskdale Treasure

By Ken Dyason

The sale of the Mull family farm at Eskdale has unearthed a trove of information about the early years of the Eskdale Rifle Club.

Among items uncovered were badges, spoons and key fobs - from the days when the club had its own range and a swag of members.

These days the only active member is Gary Mull, whose late mum, Kerry, was club secretary. Gary now shoots with the Wodonga Rifle Club at the Tallangatta range.

The items have been passed on to Ken Dyason, who acts as secretary of Eskdale to keep the club alive.

Anyone interested in more information about these badges etc. can contact the club at kmdyason@bigpond.com or through the club's Facebook page.



The Eskdale badge, spoon and key fob



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Kapunda Open Prize Meeting

By Simon Barrie

Kapunda Rifle Club held its open prize meeting on September 10, in unexpectedly good conditions. After experimenting in a different slot last year, the Club is pleased to be holding its Open Prize Meeting back in the spring, with the range presenting its best face. The appearance of the range in its spring mode was enhanced by the members who took to the task of bringing Kapunda to its best presented look in years. The weather before and after the day would have been challenging, but those who travelled to the club for the event were rewarded with outstanding conditions. Numbers were down a little bit on the previous years but this can be explained by the under-representation in F Open, with only three people competing. The F Open guys had a lot on in recent months in South Australia, and it's



Paul Savage Target Rifle A Grade winner with Butch Lindner

likely that travel weariness had set in. Fifteen competitors represented target rifle, three in F Open, and

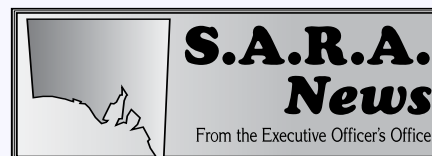
a very good showing of 18 in F Standard. Six also competed in the growing FTR category.



Lynton Wakefield B Grade



OPM Dawn



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.

New Members

SARA would like to welcome the following new members: Ellijah Hoerisch from Kapunda; John Verrier and Darryl Pink from Mt Barker and Nick Chance from Pt Augusta.

Office Closure

The SARA office will close for business from Friday, December 22 and will reopen on Tuesday January 9, 2018.

We hope everyone enjoys the holiday break and has a lovely, safe Christmas and New Year.

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The very good conditions no doubt helped in returning some excellent scores in each of the rounds as the day progressed, and there were quite a few possibles achieved in every category. Kapunda's Captain and event range officer, Steve Smithson, reported that the shooting proceeded like clockwork. This was due to club's volunteer markers working all day at a very quick pace and keeping the marking accurate and correct until the last shot. Kapunda's usual high standard of catering was again featured this year, and all in all, preparation and execution of the day was excellent.

Paul Savage (148.18) from Port Pirie won target rifle A Grade and was presented with the beautiful opal pendant donated by David Pumpa in a gold setting by Wayne Cailles. Lynton Wakefield (143.12) from Maitland won B Grade and Murray Bridge's John Cadd (145.7) took C Grade. Kapunda's own Chris Papageorgiou won his first prize meeting with an excellent 175.10 in F Standard and is still grinning. Mick Punturiero (175.9) from Loxton was pretty chuffed to win FTR, and Kapunda's Jerome Ziersch (175.9) managed to hold off son Cohen, to win in F Open. Alison Hansen won the annual Stoekel Shield target rifle shoot-off and her name goes on the shield alongside



Chris Papageorgiou F Standard with Trophy donor Peter Larsen



Jerome Ziersch F Open with Trophy Donor Adam Pohl



Mick Punturiero F TR with Louise Smithson

many highly regarded shooters. Many thanks are also extended to Alison for her willingness to travel to these meetings and supervise the NRAA scoring system.

As always Kapunda strives to put together the best prize meet it can possibly do on the day, and this day was probably the least stressful and well-run meet held in recent times. This is due to the planning and work ethic of its members, and as always, these days continually improve on the previous Open Prize Meetings. The Club would like to thank all those that travelled to compete, and the members and families that pull together to make things work on the day.

Rob Paech Wins on Silver Mountain Targets

Article and photos
by Greg Klopp

On the weekend of September 23 and 24, Maitland Rifle Club held its Leadup and Open Prize Meeting, in what most would say was, quite windy conditions. The Saturday afternoon Leadup shoot was contested by 39 competitors. This was the highest number of entries ever. It was initiated years ago to allow shooters to drive to the range Saturday morning and have a bit of a fun afternoon with a simple sighting in shoot from 700 yards. This has become more popular in recent years so we now shoot 700 yards and 600 yards.

Warren Breeding from Yunta, showed the rest of the target rifle shooters how it was done by not dropping a shot - recording 100.10 over both ranges. In F Class there were four disciplines shot and Chris DiCerbo from Loxton shooting FTR had the best round at 700 yards with a score of 56.4. At 600 yards the wind was starting to settle, so scores increased. Jason Nessling of the Phoenix rifle club, shooting F Standard A Grade, shot the only possible in all of the F Class disciplines with a 60.3. Consistent shooting from Cameron Whant, also from Phoenix, saw him shoot the best two rounds, in all of the F Class disciplines, finishing with 115.10.

After presentations, a Weber barbeque roast tea was enjoyed by all; cooked perfectly by Steven Thomas and helper Brad Renfrey. The ladies in the kitchen prepared the vegies and helped serve the magnificent meal. A lovely fire was then enjoyed into the evening as shooters relaxed and prepared for the next day.

The weather for the Sunday Open Prize Meeting was forecast to be very windy and they were right. An extra 14 shooters arrived for the day, making a total of 53 competitors for the shoot. This was the first shoot in South Australia using the Silver Mountain Target system. The targets coped well with the weather conditions and all shooters were impressed with how simple it was to use.



Robert Paech winner of the Maitland OPM and the Frank Bradshaw memorial trophy with captain Chris Tucker and secretary Lynton Wakefield

There were seven disciplines represented: A, B and C Grade in target rifle and F Standard A, F Standard B, F Open and FTR in F Class. At 500 yards, Rob Paech of Murray Bridge, counted out Warren Breeding, with both shooting 50.4. Malcolm Flavel, Whyalla, topped the B Grade with 50.5 and John Cadd of Murray Bridge was the best in C Grade with 46.1. In F Standard A Malcolm Hill, Port Pirie, counted out Cameron Whant, both shooting 58.4 and in F Standard B Dean Bartel, Waikerie, shot the best with a 58.3. F Open saw three possibles shot and the best was Dale Tyler, from the Phoenix rifle club, counting out Brent Webley, Kapunda; both shooting 60.5. In FTR Chris DiCerbo topped the range with a 58.7.

As the shooters moved back to the club house, the 500 yard aiming marks were replaced with 600 yard ones and shooting continued on the electronic Silver Mountain Targets.

While the shooting progressed, members and wives were busy preparing lunch. A hamburger with the lot and chocolate mud cake for dessert was on the menu and no one heard any complaints.

The strong westerly wind seemed to be stronger and more changeable by the middle of the day which resulted in no possibles shot at the first 600 yards. Ian 'Bluey' Noll, Whyalla, topped A Grade with a 49.7, Gordon Harrison, Murray Bridge, topped B Grade with a 48.4 and Michael Dayman, Wallaroo, topped C Grade with a 48.2. In F Standard A Frank Marshall, Murray Bridge, was the best with a 58.3 and in F Standard B Tony Tugwell, Broken Hill, was the best with a 56.2. In F Open, Dale Tyler dropped his last shot but still recorded the highest round with a score of 59.2. In FTR, Steve Smithson, Kapunda, was two points clear of his nearest rival shooting a 57.2.



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Open Prize Meeting winners 2017

The second 600 yards started again once the last shooters had finished on each target. The wind was extremely tricky but three possibles were still recorded. In A Grade Ian 'Bluey' Noll shot one (a 50.5) and Rob Paech recorded a 50.2. This gave Rob the top aggregate score for the day with 149.12. Congratulations!

Ali Hansen, Mount Barker, shot the only other possible, carding a score of 50.3. This was enough to give her the top aggregate score in B Grade, with 146.10. Michael Dayman shot 47.1 to claim victory in the C Grade compiling an aggregate result of 140.3. In F Standard A Grade, Cameron Whant counted out Frank Marshall at the second 600 yards, with both shooting a 59.3; but the aggregate went to Cameron with 174.8. In F Standard B, Tony Tugwell shot the highest score (a 56.1) but this wasn't enough to win the aggregate. Richard Steel, Yunta, won this with 167.9 over Barry Tucker, Maitland, 167.4. Nicholas Richardson from Phoenix Rifle Club, topped F Open by recording a 59.2 but consistent shooting all day by Dale Tyler saw him take out the aggregate with 176.10. In FTR at the second 600 yards, Mick Punt (Punturiero), Loxton, was the best with 59.1. Chris DiCerbo shot three more X's than Mick over the course of the day to take the aggregate win with 170.10.

At the conclusion of the shoot, the four top target rifle shooters and the four top F Class shooters, regardless of grade, competed for the Frank Bradshaw Memorial Trophy. This is shot Bisley style and the F Class scores are converted to match the target rifle scores. It was won by Rob Paech with a score of 40.6. All other results are on the NRAA website.

Before presentations commenced, Captain Chris Tucker thanked (and Lynton listed), the trophy donors and raffle sponsors. Thanks also went to Aubrey Sonnenberg of Silver Mountain Targets, whose

help and advice over the past four months has been invaluable. Chris thanked the ladies for all their hard work over the weekend and also the cooks on the barbie. Thanks go to Les Klopp for supplying the ice and all members who cleaned, mowed, fixed and repaired before and on the day of the shoot.

Special thanks also go to club secretary, Lynton Wakefield, for organising a terrific array of trophies and obtaining sponsorship. Chris and Lynton presented the medallions and trophies before wishing everyone a safe trip home.



Maitland Shooters showing how the Silver Mountain Target scoring system works on the laptops

Difficult Conditions at Ungarie

By Spencer Dunstall

A change of date from the wet and cold July weekends of the last few years, to the early spring sunshine of the first weekend in September seemed a wise choice on Saturday last, when the first two matches of the Ungarie Open Prize Meeting weekend were contested. If, as popular opinion has it, the range has all the character of the legendary Jekyll and Hyde, then on Saturday it was the genial and kindly Dr Jekyll that hosted the event. Light winds, sunshine and great shooting conditions all contributed to some fine scoring in the initial 800 and 900 yard sweepstakes matches. Rob Crerar put all 10 shots in the bullseye at 800 yards and followed that up with a solid 48.1 at 900 to take out the traditional target rifle section with a very respectable score of 98.4. In F Class standard, Jordan Hoskinson scored a possible at 800 yards and followed that up with a very good 58.1 at 900 yards for a winning 118.4 total.

F Class Open was dominated by Griffith gunsmith Darren Bradley,



Matt Carr with his winnings



Rob Crerar lines up at Ungarie

with 60.6 at 800 and 58.4 at 900 with his 6.5 x 47mm rifle.

But those three possibles were the last scored for the weekend, for on Sunday that friendly Dr Jekyll was nowhere to be seen. Instead the shooting conditions were those more befitting the malevolent Mr Hyde. The day started with strong, gusty northerly winds for the first 900 yard match. The low scores reflected the difficult conditions. Hopes that the wind might ease were dashed during the lunch break, when the wind direction went through a change of almost 180 degrees, to blow even more strongly from the southwest, just in time for the 1000 yard, 15-shot finale! Even the two best scores at that distance were unbelievably low by today's standards - a 58 out of 75 in target rifle and 73 out of 90 in F Class, confirming the opinion of some older club members that the shooting conditions were the most challenging of any Ungarie Prize Meeting for the past 40 years or more.

But the old saying about the cream always rising to the top still held true, with Rob Crerar taking out the target rifle A Grade event to make it two winning days

in a row. In F Class standard it was 15-year old Jacinta Bradley who celebrated her promotion to A Grade by winning the day's aggregate. But while Jacinta has demonstrated by her successes over the past two years, that talent aided by the keen eyes and steady hands of youth are advantageous, the winner of the Open F Class demonstrated that experience matters too and that advanced age is not necessarily a barrier to success in this sport. Bungendore's Lex Lane, all of 82 years young, dominated the day in that category, winning three of the four matches. F Class Standard B went to a new shooter from Lockhart, Matthew Carr while veteran Junee rifleman Mike Halloran took out the FTR category.

There were more trophies on offer this year than ever before, thanks to the generous support of donors Moses and Sons of West Wyalong, the Central Hotel Ungarie, Rob Crerar and Jordan Hoskinson. This year for the first time ever, the club was able to present trophies to the top three shooters in most categories.



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Leading scores were:

Target Rifle A Grade

Match 1, 900 yards

1. Rob Crerar	Ungarie	47.1
2. David Xuereb	Explorers	45.0
3. Scott Brindley	Explorers	42.3

Match 2, 900 yards

1. Graeme Green	Cootamundra	46.3
2. Rob Crerar	Ungarie	44.3
3. Scott Brindley	Explorers	42.2

Match 3, 1000 yards

1. David Xuereb	Explorers	58.1
2. Rob Crerar	Ungarie	55.1
3. Scott Brindley	explorers	52.1

Match 4 Aggregate

1. Rob Crerar	Ungarie	146.5
2. David Xuereb	Explorers	143.3
3. Scott Brindley	Explorers	136.6

F Class Standard A

Match 1, 900 yards

1. Ralph Garlick	Lyndhurst	53.0
2. Jacinta Bradley	Griffith	52.2
3. Graham Crowe	Explorers	52.1

Match 2, 900 yards

1. Jordan Hoskinson	Ungarie	57.1
2. Jacinta Bradley	Griffith	54.2
3. Robert Halloran	June	53.2

Match 3, 1000 yards

1. Alan Taylor	Nmine/Dubbo	58.0
2. Ralph Garlick	Lyndhurst	57.0
3. Jacinta Bradley	Griffith	56.1

F Class Standard B

Match 4, Aggregate

1. Jacinta Bradley	Griffith	162.5
2. Ralph Garlick	Lyndhurst	158.1
3. Robert Halloran	June	154.2



Matt Carr and Neville Lyons



Jacinta and Darren Bradley



Jordan, Jacinta and Spencer

Match 1, 900 yards

1. Ron Matthews	Lyndhurst	46.1
2. John Young	Ungarie	46.0
3. Matthew Carr	Explorers	45.0

Match 2, 900 yards

1. Matthew Carr	Explorers	49.0
2. Ron Matthews	Lyndhurst	47.0
3. John Young	Ungarie	46.0

Match 3, 1000 yards

1. Matthew Carr	Explorers	62.0
2. Ron Matthews	Lyndhurst	53.0
3. John Young	Ungarie	48.0

F Class Open

Match 4, Aggregate

1. Matthew Carr	Explorers	156.0
2. Ron Matthews	Lyndhurst	146.1
3. John Young	Ungarie	140.0

Match 1, 900 yards

1. Lex Lane	Bungendore	55.2
2. Phil Jonker	Wangaratta	53.1
3. Darren Bradley	Griffith	52.3

Match 2, 900 yards

1. Darren Bradley	Griffith	53.1
2. Lex Lane	Bungendore	52.1
3. John Dixon	Griffith	51.0

Match 3, 1000 yards

1. Lex Lane	Bungendore	73.2
2. Neville Lyons	Explorers	73.1
3. Darren Bradley	Griffith	72.0

Match 4, Aggregate

1. Lex Lane	Bungendore	180.5
2. Darren Bradley	Griffith	177.4
3. Neville Lyons	Explorers	163.3

FTR

Match 1, 900 yards

1. Michael Halloran	June	52.1
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Match 2, 900 yards

1. Michael Halloran	June	48.0
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Match 3, 1000 yards

1. Michael Halloran	June	63.0
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Match 4, Aggregate

1. Michael Halloran	June	163.1
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Explorers Annual Championship

By Scott Brindley

Explorers Rifle club again has held a very successful annual championship despite the concern that our numbers would be down due to the World Championships being held in Canada, and also the Queensland State Championships. There were around 25 competitors that we lost to these events.

Having lost such a large number, we were concerned about the support we would get, however, in the end we had a very satisfactory attendance of 42 competitors from as far away as Sydney, Canberra, Wangaratta, Bega, Cootamundra, Lyndhurst, Junee, Ungarie and Griffith as well as other local regional towns. This included eight first time visitors to Lockhart who were so impressed that they have vowed to return.



A Grade Allan Patrick



Lockhart Range

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*F Standard B Grade Jacinta Bradley**F Standard Ralph Garlick*

Saturday was the Sweepstakes event with about 25 shooters attending. This was shot at 1000 yards. It was certainly a challenging afternoon for all, with strong variable wind conditions being experienced. However, the dinner at the Lockhart Ex-Serviceman's Club was a welcoming warm venue for everyone to lick their wounds. Attendees to this function appreciated the good food and great atmosphere of a small country club.

Sunday was the main event with ranges of 600 yards, 500 yards and 500 yards; with 15 shots to finish. On waking, we were greeted by a very brisk frosty day with some fog. The fog however, dissipated quickly, leaving us with glorious weather. The warm sun and very light breeze was enjoyed by all - some even in tee shirts. Nevertheless, the wind was still tricky with the mirage running heavily and changing often enough to cause the odd inner to appear. We extend our thanks to the ladies running the kitchen and keeping all the shooters fed - Linda,

Roz, Margaret, Sue and Kim. This year we again utilised the services of the local Rover Scout group, who did a great job scoring our targets. Thanks go to Emma, Matt, Keiran and our Butts Officer Noel Hansen.

At the presentation, our president, Graham Crowe, was awarded Life Membership. Graham's wife Linda was thanked for all the support she has provided to Graham and the club for the last 39 years.

Also, we thank Dave who organised the prizes, and Graham for the statistics, and to all members who helped at working bees to make the day possible.

Finally, we would like to thank our sponsors including; Lockhart IGA, Ex-Services Club, Lockhart Motel, Lockhart Bendigo Bank, A-Force, Joyce Asquith, Bradley Family, Brindley Family, Philip and Susan Bain, Crowe Family, Rob Jeffrey, John Dixon, Neville Lyons, Hassall Family and Dave Xuereb; without whom, events such as these would not be possible.

Results

600 Yards

Target Rifle			
A Grade	A Patrick	Roseville	49.5
B Grade	P Daldy	Karramomus	49.4
C Grade	G Mull	Eskdale	43.2

F Class Standard

A Grade	R Garlick	Lyndhurst	60.6
B Grade	R Sperring	Nowra	59.3

F Open

A Grade	D Bradley	Griffith	60.6
FTR	C May	Canberra	56.2

500 Yards (1st Stage)

Target Rifle			
A Grade	M Rankin	Wangaratta	49.7
B Grade	P Daldy	Karramomus	50.4
C Grade	G Mull	Eskdale	48.2

F Class Standard

A Grade	R Garlick	Lyndhurst	59.7
B Grade	J Bradley	Griffith	60.2

F Open

A Grade	K Hills	Lyndhurst	60.3
FTR	C May	Canberra	57.1



Linda and Graham Crowe

500 Yards (2nd Stage)

Target Rifle			
A Grade	D Xuereb	Explorers	75.5
B Grade	R Gerett	Wangaratta	73.10
C Grade	G Mull	Eskdale	62.0

F Class Standard

A Grade	R Garlick	Lyndhurst	90.9
B Grade	J Bradley	Griffith	89.7

F Open

A Grade	P Deehan	Corryong	90.10
FTR	C May	Canberra	80.3

Aggregate

Target Rifle			
A Grade	A Patrick	Roseville	172.18
B Grade	P Daldy	Karramomus	172.16
C Grade	G Mull	Eskdale	153.4

F Class Standard

A Grade	R Garlick	Lyndhurst	209.22
B Grade	R Sperring	Nowra	207.12

F Open

A Grade	P Deehan	Corryong	207.19
FTR	C May	Canberra	193.6

Gosford Open Prize Meeting

Article and photos by Bob Smith, aerial photos by Linda

Like the 'Ancient Mariner' it was "water water everywhere". Gosford OPM this year proved to be a real drought-breaker. After months of drought, the showers started on Saturday and continued through the competition on Sunday.

In the valleys of the surrounding National Park there were pools of white fog. The grey steely sky sent down light showers for most of the day. Shooting conditions in the early matches were also hampered by mist drifting across the range, limiting target visibility at times. The weather certainly contributed to the lower than normal attendance numbers.



Alan Ashworth 1st F Standard A Grade Aggregate

WS Josephson Team Shoot

By Phillip Hodder

This year's WS Josephson Team Shoot was held on July 23 at the Hornsby Rifle Range and the event saw a record number of teams attend. Team numbers were boosted at the annual event by six school and junior team entries. It was necessary to run two squads as the range only has 14 targets and 17 eager groups were in attendance.

The day was clear with sunny patches, but the wind was unusually tricky for Hornsby range -being a frontal fishtail, quickly changing in direction and strength. The first range, 400 metres, saw MDRA target rifle leading on 297.30 over a strong Hunter Valley on 293.27. F Class Standard saw NSDRA Blue win on 345.21 over MDRA on 339.17. F Open saw MDRA leap ahead with 350.28 from NSDRA scoring 343.19.

After the first range, the competitors feasted on roast lamb rolls and salad under the clear winter's day sun. Unfortunately, the first stage took a while to complete with the two squads, even using the ever reliable Hexta electronic targets, so a decision was made to only shoot one stage at 500 metres and cancel

the 600 metres. The F Class teams who were shooting in the first squad shot 15 shot matches and the target rifle competitors shot 10 scoring shots to finish the day.

This time Hunter Valley target rifle was first on 297.42 over MDRA with 296.33; F Class Standard was won by NSDRA Blue on 518.28; then NSDRA Yellow with 515.32. F Open had MDR winning again on 529.47 from NSDRA with 516.30.

To wrap up, target rifle was won by MDRA who shot a fantastic score of 593.63 over Hunter Valley with 590.69, then followed by NSDRA Gold with 583.51. The top school was GPS Team A target rifle with a great fourth placing on a score of 582.36! In F Standard it was NSDRA Blue with 863.49, from NSDRA Yellow 851.51, and MDRA rounding up the top three on 837.37. F Open was won on an impressive score of 879.75 from NSDRA with 859.49.

The NSDRA Committee would like to thank all who attended this successful day and to all the helpers, and we look forward to another great shoot next year. Full results can be found at <http://shooting.hexsystems.com.au/competition/monitor/59>

Despite the conditions, forty-six hardy entrants hit the firing line and enjoyed the shoot in relative comfort, under cover, on the newly rebuilt and enlarged astro-turf mound.

Considering the poor weather conditions, there were quite a few exceptional scores recorded during the competition. Matthew Shepherd (Endeavour Target Rifle A Grade) shot a perfect score in the 15 shot, match three and Darren Smith (Gosford F Open) also shot a perfect score in match two.

Local shooter Tim Roberts (Gosford) emerged the winner after battling some tight competition. Tim is still in good form after winning the NSDRA Champion of Champions Competition this year; his second Champ of Champs win.

Aggregate Results

Target Rifle A Grade: In a very close finish, Tim Roberts (Gosford) 175.25 took first place, followed by Adrian Bonanni (Hornsby RSL) 175.22 and Matthew Shepherd (Endeavour) 174.27.

Target Rifle B Grade: Damon Livermore (Sydney) with a score of 174.17 was just four centres ahead of Grasshopper Bob Phillips (West Wallsend) 174.13 and Dmitri Kazakov (Roseville) 173.13.



Down Range

Target Rifle C Grade: Sean Willis (Gemfields) 166.13, Kevin Muffett (Aberdeen) 166.10 and Wayne Bunting (West Wallsend) 156.11.

F Standard A: Alan Ashworth (Hornsby) 207.18 just one centre ahead of Jeff Eppleston (Bathurst) 207.17 and Mariette Rigby (Gosford) 207.15.

F Standard B: Peter Walters (Roseville) 209.20, Allan Humbert (Roseville) 206.19 and Garry O'Dwyer (Gosford) 204.12.

F Open: Darren Smith (Gosford) 210.30, David Avery (Cessnock) 210.26 and John Peters (Cessnock) 210.25.

F/TR: Geoff Willis (Bathurst) 206.19, Alan Bowyer-Tagg (Hornsby RSL) 206.12 and Gary Faulkner (204.12).

A full list of results is available at:
<http://www.nraa.com.au/gosford-district-rifle-club-open-prize-meeting-2017-nsw-results/>

Once again, the Hexta Target System performed faultlessly



Aerial Shot

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*Peter Walters 1st
F Standard B Grade Aggregate*



*Sean Villis
1st Target Rifle C Grade Aggregate*



Darren Smith 1st F Open Aggregate



*Damon Livermore 1st
Target Rifle B Grade Aggregate*



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Jeff, Ken and Wayne



Damon, Bob and Terry

throughout all matches, giving accurate and instant results, which were even available via the internet for those who couldn't make it to the competition.

The event could not have been run without the tireless work of many members and their families, before, during and after the competition. Special thanks go to Mark (RO); Jill, Kim, Kara and Greg (Canteen); Ted and Karen (Statistics); Gail and

Anne (Entries); and Linda (Entries and Photography).

The club is grateful to the visiting competitors who made the effort to attend our Open Prize Meeting - some travelling long distances - and also those who helped in packing up after the range after the event.

We would also like to send a big thanks to our sponsors. Without their generous support we would



It's stopped raining



Mark, Matthew and Adrian



Alan, Gary, Bruce and Derek



Canteen Crew



The Statistics Team



Peter and Bob

not have had the wide range of quality prizes on offer.

Although not our biggest OPM, it was still a significant one, as this is our 70th anniversary at Kariong Range (1947-2017). Rifle shooting

is one of the oldest competitive sports on the Central Coast, having had its beginnings at North Gosford in 1885. The range Committee has just signed a new licence which extends our tenure for another twenty years.

In striving to improve this event, we welcome competitor feedback, so if you have any suggestions please Email: basmith@bigpond.com (sorry, we have no control over the weather).

Barcaldine Rifle Club Shoot

By Laura Balderson

Barcaldine Rifle Club held the Annual Fullbore and F Class Prize Shoot in October 2017, with a good roll up of 26 competitors. Many participants travelled from far and wide, including as far afield as Rockhampton, Clermont, Gemfields, Mackay, Emerald, Brisbane, Bowen, Ayr, Bathurst, Wingham, Grafton and Geelong.

Ranges were completed at a combination of 2 rounds of 500 yards, 2 rounds of 600 yards and 2 rounds of 700 yards, with the following aggregate results:

A Grade:

Anthony Wilson	Clermont	(286.26)
Carol Solomon	Clermont	(286.22)
Nick Cock		(284.20)

B Grade:

Peter Hulett	Geelong	(284.21)
Jan Thornhill	Clermont	(279.10)
Carol Hulett	Geelong	(276.19)
Derek Higgins	Grafton	(275.16)
Len Solomon		(275.15)
Bob Skelton	City of Brisbane	(270.15)
Emily Cronin	Clermont	(259.10)

C Grade:

Gavin Williams	Gemfields	(266.11)
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Overall Grand Aggregate Winners Gary Towers F Open, Jim Blomfield F Class Standard A, Wayne Swift F Class Standard B, Anthony Wilson Target A, Peter Hulett Target B and Gavin Williams Target C

F Class Standard A Grade:

Jim Blomfield	Bowen/Collinville	(339.17)
Bronty Moxham	Barcaldine	(335.8)
Nick Williamson	Gemfields	(334.18)
Margy Kerlin	Clermont	(334.13)
Greg Balderson	Barcaldine	(330.11)
Joe Spiteri	Sarina	(330.11)

F Class Standard B Grade:

Wayne Swift	Bowen/Collinville	(324.14)
Paul Kerlin	Clermont	(322.15)
Robert Bartlett	Wingham	(316.11)
John Johnstone	University of Qld	(315.15)
Chris Dahl	Qld Police	(313.10)

F Class Open:

Gary Towers	Bundaberg	(336.13)
Roger Dahl		(335.11)
Howard Simpson		(334.14)
Matthew Brennan	Barcaldine	(292.4)

The Club would like to thank all the competitors whom travelled and we hope to see you all again next year. Also, we thank the local and out of town businesses for their donation of sponsorship and prizes; and everyone who helped with the catering and marking of the targets.



All present at the shoot including cooks, markers and shooters

Monto successful Sweepstake Shoot

By Helen Schimke

On Saturday and Sunday July 8 and 9, 2017, Monto Rifle Club once again hosted a successful Sweepstake Shoot which attracted 50 shooters from as far west as the Gemfields, Clermont, Bundaberg Sarina and Raglan and as far south as Brisbane. The calibre of shooters was very high, with some shooters from the State and Australian teams. One shooter was a world champion long distance shooter and another held the world record for PALMA shooting.

Thanks to a grant from Queensland Rifle Association, the addition of an extra target and improvements to the Clubhouse and facilities were utilised to the full with the record number of shooters.

The conditions throughout the weekend treated shooters to mild mornings with no rain until shooting was completed on Sunday.

A great weekend of shooting was enjoyed by all.

Name	Club	Grade	Daily 1	Daily 2	Grand
Robert Skelton	City of Brisbane	TR - A	168.11	143.11	311.22
Rodney Prayle	Maryborough	TR - A	173.23	149.18	322.41
Anthony Wilson	Clermont	TR - A	173.15	150.18	323.33
Dean Enslin	Pacific	TR - A	173.16	148.12	321.28
Darren Enslin	Pacific	TR - A	173.19	149.19	322.38
Gillian Webb Enslin	Pacific	TR - A	175.20	150.18	325.38
Charles Arrowsmith	Biloela	TR - A	172.19	148.18	320.37

Name	Club	Grade	Daily 1	Daily 2	Grand
Robert Crawford	Gympie/Kilkivan	TR - B	170.13	146.17	316.30
Emily Cronin	Clermont	TR - B	161.10	142.07	303.17
Maurice Irwin	Bundaberg	TR - B	166.13	141.12	307.25
Shane Kao	Darling Downs	TR - B	165.07	138.11	303.18

Name	Club	Grade	Daily 1	Daily 2	Grand
Josh Turner	Bundaberg Burnett	TR - C	166.10	135.07	301.17
Kevin Fox	Raglan	TR - C	152.07	126.03	278.10
Jessica Crawford	Gympie/Kilkivan	TR - C	170.13	149.11	319.24
Gavin Williams	Gemfields	TR - C	147.05	131.01	278.06
Michael Murray	Clermont	TR - C	149.03	134.06	283.09

Name	Club	Grade	Daily 1	Daily 2	Grand
Brian Pickles	Natives	FS - A	205.12	173.13	378.25
Joe Spiteri	Sarina	FS - A	207.11	176.09	383.20
David Hatherell	Gympie/Kilkivan	FS - A	208.18	177.13	385.31
Nick Williamson	Gemfields	FS - A	205.21	177.16	382.37
Darren Zumbansen	Monto	FS - A	202.07	175.11	377.18

Name	Club	Grade	Daily 1	Daily 2	Grand
Paul Kerlin	Clermont	FS - B	200.13	165.05	365.18
Shane Fitzpatrick	Monto	FS - B	196.07	160.08	356.15
Sue-Ellen Fitzpatrick	Monto	FS - B	184.05	157.01	341.06
Troy Pailthorpe	Monto	FS - B	193.03	165.04	358.07
Lindsay Baldwin	Monto	FS - B	193.06	163.06	356.12
Ken Martin	Bundaberg	FS - B	195.14	168.07	363.21
Ken Skillington	Bundaberg	FS - B	183.06	-	183.06
Neung Araya	Monto	FS - B	189.07	164.07	353.14
Brian Potter	Raglan	FS - B	193.12	163.02	356.14

Ken McLachlan	Monto	FS - B	202.13	168.06	370.19
Nev Fyles	Raglan	FS - B	193.08	170.08	363.16
Joe Koch	Monto	FS - B	199.08	175.13	374.21
Ron Bowman	Gatton	FS - B	197.12	167.08	364.20
Riley Crawford	Gympie/Kilkivan	FS - B	198.09	169.08	367.17
Kristine Crawford	Gympie/Kilkivan	FS - B	178.05	163.08	341.13
Margy Kerlin	Clermont	FS - B	204.16	176.09	380.25
Ray Watson	Monto	FS - B	198.05	166.04	364.09
Miles Finger	Gemfields	FS - B	197.04	169.10	366.14
Camden Finger	Gemfields	FS - B	162.02	157.03	319.05
Brandon Finger	Gemfields	FS - B	170.04	137.01	307.05

Name	Club	Grade	Daily 1	Daily 2	Grand
Roger Dahl	QLD Police	FO	206.16	176.15	382.31
Terry Hancock	Raglan	FO	210.25	177.16	387.41
Graham Mincham	Bundaberg	FO	205.19	175.14	380.33
Steve Connolly	Bundaberg	FO	209.23	180.21	389.44
Andrew McKillop	Bundaberg	FO	210.24	179.23	389.47
Rebekah Scotney	Gemfields	FO	203.12	166.05	369.17
Beth Caskey	Pittsworth	FO	205.12	177.13	382.25
Emile Daniel	Cannon Hill	FO	196.10	175.10	371.20
Harrison Finger	Gemfields	FO	182.06	168.09	350.15

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Gemfields Rifle Club Gemshoot

Article and photos by
Rebekah Scotney and
Margy Kerlin

The weekend of August 26 and 27 saw the Gemfields Rifle Club host their annual Gemshoot Competition, with 47 shooters eager to win a prized 'sapphire'. Conditions over the weekend were tricky, with the flags indicating a fishtailing wind and strong quick changing mirage. As history has indicated in the past at Gemshoot, the 1000 yard range decided the scores for the weekend. Some shooters were smiling and some were not!

Competitors and visitors enjoyed the hospitality of the Central



The 1000 yard question!

Billy Sing Marksman Shoot at Clermont

By Noel Byrne

Clermont Rifle Club hosted its second annual Billy Sing Marksman Shoot on the weekend of September 16 and 17. The shoot is named after Gallipoli sniper Billy Sing who was born in Clermont.

The competition is a test of marksmanship, shot over several distances with the assistance of only one wind flag.

Conditions over the weekend

certainly required competitors to dig deep.

A big thank you is extended to our Major Sponsor - Glencore Clermont Coal for their continued generous support of this unique event.

Winner of each division:

Target Rifle - Charles Arrowsmith.

Military Class - Tom Hussey.

Scope Class - Bec Scotney.

Highlands, with the Gemfields Club putting on a wonderful camp oven meal on the Saturday night.

The members of the Gemfields Club extend their thanks to everyone who travelled and helped out over the weekend and look forward to seeing you again next year.

Grand Aggregate winners for the weekend were:

Target Rifle A Grade

Anthony Wilson	239.14
Michael Collings	237.20
Nick Cock	234.25

Target Rifle B Grade

Gareth Stewart	234.16
Carol Hulett	232.17
Peter Hulett	229.12

Target Rifle C Grade

Gavin Williams	199.3
Michael Murray	196.3
David Moller	183.3

F Open

Garry Towers	278.10
Howard Simpson	275.14

F Class A

John Leask	278.11
Nick Williamson	277.7
Greg Balderson	272.7

F Class B

Tom Mann	276.10
Margy Kerlin	267.10
Robert Bartlett	265.10



The assembled group enjoyed the unique marksmanship event named in honour of Gallipoli sniper, Billy Sing



Shooters on the mound at Gemfields



View from the 1000 yards at the annual Gemshoot Competition

Northampton Prize Shoot

Article and photos
by Nigel Hunt

There was a high class field of shooters at the annual Northampton Picnic Shoot - including all the Target Rifle-DRA teams that would go on to win the DRA Teams at the first Queens to be held at the new Pinjar range. We extend our congratulations to P Watkin, N Lauritsen, C Dewar and G Filgate - Coach C Lauritsen and Captain R Brooks on their great efforts.

The weather and conditions at the Picnic Shoot were some of the best for several years, but at times still caught the unwary shooter. Some notable performances from the weekend were FTR second year shooter John Boyes who scored 60.10, Ken Cassey who recorded 120.15 and Brad Lemon who took

out a win in FTR. Brad only started shooting late last year.

Once again, the Northampton ladies exceeded in the kitchen with camp ovens Saturday night, barbecue Sunday lunch and plenty of cakes and sandwiches. Thank you, ladies, for this fantastic effort.

We would also like to send a big thanks to Ross who supplied all the meat, Winkie from Carnarvon who donated all the vegetables and to all the members who prepared the range and assisted in anyway on the day to make the shoot a great success. Thankyou also to those shooters who travelled long distances to help make the weekend a happy occasion. Thanks, must also go to Northampton Shire for their support in helping with the purchase of Electronic Targets and scoring system for next season; as

such Craig Simkin, Shire President was asked to present the trophies to the winners.

Saturday Aggregate Results

Target Rifle A Grade

1	N Lauritsen	Meekatharra WA	99.11
2	P Watkins	Chapman Valley WA	99.7
3	C Dewar	Chapman Valley WA	98.10

Target Rifle B Grade

1	C Dods	Karratha WA	100.14
2	R Brooks	Chapman Valley WA	99.10
3	K Samuel	Subiaco WA	99.7

F Standard A Grade

1	K Cassey	East Perth WA	120.15
2	N Hunt	Northampton WA	119.8
3	L Lipple	Geraldton Greenough WA	117.3

F Open

1	C Vant-Veer	Three Springs WA	114.8
2	B Piper	Geraldton Greenough WA	113.7
3	A Norwood	Geraldton Greenough WA	111.4



Northampton is a picturesque range

FTR

1	B Lemmon	Geraldton Greenough WA	117.8
2	J Boyes	Geraldton Greenough WA	116.11
3	J Whitfield	Geraldton Greenough WA	112.6

Grand Aggregate Results

Target Rifle A Grade

1	N Lauritsen	Meekatharra WA	294.26
2	C Dewar	Chapman Valley WA	294.24
3	P Watkins	Chapman Valley WA	293.22

Target Rifle B Grade

1	C Dods	Karratha WA	291.24
2	K Samuel	Subiaco WA	288.18
3	R Brooks	Chapman Valley WA	278.19

F Standard A Grade

1	N Hunt	Northampton WA	351.25
2	B Dei Giudici	Carnarvon WA	347.20
3	K Cassey	East Perth WA	340.23

F Open

1	C Vant-Veer	Three Springs WA	347.24
2	B Piper	Geraldton Greenough WA	345.24
3	A Norwood	Geraldton Greenough WA	319.11

FTR

1	B Lemmon	Geraldton Greenough WA	351.21
2	J Boyes	Geraldton Greenough WA	333.21
3	J Whitfield	Geraldton Greenough WA	326.14

At Northampton we are fortunate



Northampton - the view down the range

to be able to sit around the open fire pit each night and debate the day's events. As the nights went on I'm sure the groups got tighter,

the stories got shorter and fish got longer, but everyone had a great time. See you all again Next Year... and BRING A FRIEND.



Northampton - the food - the fire pit - and the camaraderie are attractions at the shoot

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Submission Guidelines

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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** for any clarification.

ACT

November

15-19 ACT Queens

NEW SOUTH WALES

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)
Coffs Harbour Rifle Club Field/Rimfire OPM (Dairyville)

December

Lithgow Rifle Club OPM (Lithgow)

QUEENSLAND

November

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

December

9-10 Raglan Christmas Shoot

NORTH QUEENSLAND

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

November

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

2018

Feb

10-11 Tumby Bay OPM (Tumby Bay)

April

2 Match Rifle (Lower Light)
25 Father and Sons (Mt Barker)

May

2-3 Hunt (Lower Light)
4-6 Queens (Lower Light)

Aug

25-26 Match Rifle Champs (Lower Light)

VICTORIA

November

4 Castlemaine PM (Castlemaine)
9 Victorian Match Rifle and Long Range F-Class Championship (Stawell)
10-14 Australian Match Rifle and Long Range F Class Championships (Stawell)
10-13 MR & LR F Class Individual (Stawell)
13-14 MR & LR F Class State Teams (Stawell)
19 Vic Precision Service Rifle series (Castlemaine)
25 Victoria Police Rifle Club 379 Centennial OPM (Wellsford)
26 VRA Long Range PM (Wellsford)

December

2 Rosedale 500yd Sweepstakes (Rosedale)
3 Lois Osborn 1000yds (Rosedale)

2018

January

1 Port Campbell PM (Port Campbell)
26 Australia Day Shoot (Castlemaine)

March

1 Rosedale OPM Day 1 (Rosedale)
2 Rosedale OPM Day 2 (Rosedale)

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

November

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

TASMANIA

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

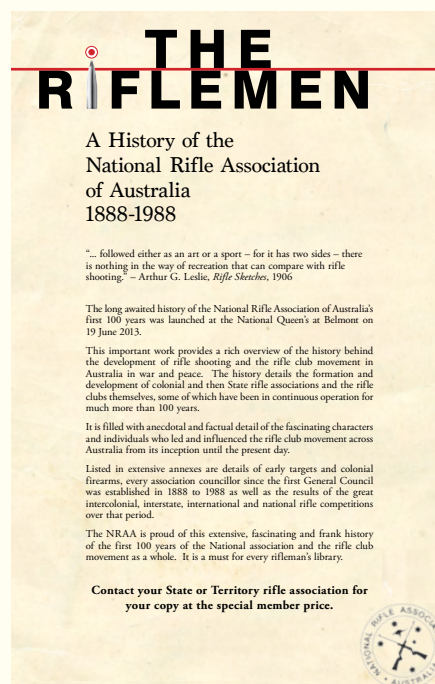
2 MR Practice from 1.00pm. (Campbell Town)
3 Tasmanian Match Rifle Champs 1000, 1100, 1200 (Campbell Town)
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5 1500 Yards Championships 1,500 (Campbell Town)
8 Llewellyn Series 500, 600, 700, 800 (Campbell Town)
9 Llewellyn Series / 1000 Champs 900, 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

November 15-19ACT Queens

2018

March 8-12 TAS Queens

April 8-22 VIC Queens

May 2-6..... SA Queens

May 16-20..... NQRA Queens

May 31- June 3 Alice Springs Open

June 7-11 NT Queens

August 7 - 11 QLD Queens

September 21-28 WA Queens

November 14-18ACT Queens

NSW Queens

Photographs by Rebecca McGuigan, Isabella Mellado and Chris Roberts





Brett Purtell, Wodonga with John Simons, Broken Hill



Andrew Blaiklock



Gary Powers, Bundaberg with Denis Aarons, North Arm



Geoff Wellburn and Geoff Kerr, Pacific



Crag Pratt fro Natives, winner of the Duncan FTR with John Hislop, Ipswich

QRA Queens

Photographs by
Gordon Collie



Scott Robson from North Arm won the B Grade Duncan Match



Rob Howie, Mariners



Jeff Day declares correct weight for NZ shooter Vic McMurdo



Japanese visitors for the QRA Queens