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#### DEADLINE

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#### **Front cover**

Queensland Queens Winner Ashley Bidgood. Photograph by Mike Scott, BeamMeUp Photos.

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## **Chairman's Message**

The shooting year draws to a close. This year has been packed full of interesting Individual matches and especially in West Australia the prestigious Merrett Matches for all States, and New Zealand, should that country wish to compete. Victoria had a grand result with New South Wales leading the charge by winning the first match. Congratulations to the winning teams.

For the other teams whose members invested a huge amount of time, effort and funds hopefully these will be rewarded at the next gathering. For the teams that regularly compete at each event but don't seem to receive any reward, please don't give up as the next time may just be to your advantage.

By the time this message is available to all shooters the annual general meeting of the NRAA will have been completed. There are a number of nominations for the position of Director to replace retiring directors. All of the directors provide a valuable service to target rifle shooting and rarely receive any accolades for their efforts.

The next major championship will be at Canberra in November. That will be closely followed by International teams matches based around the Palma series. Teams from Australia will be attending as: Open Teams, Veterans, Under 25 and probably Under 21 as well. Best wishes are extended to these teams and their supporters. May I take this opportunity to convey the Compliments of the Season to you all, your families, friends and other supporters. May the time at Christmas New Year allow you to drop any grudges and learn to accept that we need to all work together in harmony to ensure our great sport continues to thrive. Change is upon us and the major goal will be to ensure that we can all remain shooting in whatever discipline we choose.

Gordon Duncan, Chairman

### Wanted - Deputy Editor

Australian Target Rifle will soon need a new Deputy Editor. The ideal person will be highly literate, well organised and reliable. Knowledge of magazine layout and sub-editing desirable. Involvement in or knowledge of target rifle shooting would be advantageous. Australian Target Rifle is a bi-monthly publication so it is a part time role, though one that requires a steady flow of attention with extra emphasis closer to both material submission and publication deadlines. Would suit somebody with other responsibilities working from home.

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membership issues facing the movement at a national level.

This is number 11 of a series of articles aimed at achieving that goal

#### "The way a club plays as a whole determines its success". - Babe Ruth

Continuity and growth are the primary responsibility of the Association or Club Board or Executive.

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When you volunteer to serve on the executive of your association or club, you are accepting the responsibility for helping to ensure the long-term survival, health and growth of the organisation. You are also accepting responsibility for ensuring that the articles of organisation, mission statement and bylaws are followed. (If they don't reflect the current organisation, then they need to be changed.)

The board/executive is responsible for managing every aspect of the club's operations and for asking the tough questions:

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Sometimes, the answer to one or more of these questions is "No". In some cases, the board/exec has been elected specifically to implement change, perhaps to revive the organisation or to upgrade its technology.

Change is a two-edged sword. Do it too quickly and the club is no longer the club that most people originally joined, and you might end up with more defections than you were expecting. But if there are structural problems and you don't address them quickly enough, you risk the club closing because it cannot fund its operations or because members see no point in renewing their membership.

Change needs to be measured and be accompanied by careful thought and discussion among board members and other interested parties. The board needs to welcome new blood who will bring in new ideas and skills. This is an especially good way to encourage younger people to get involved, preparing them to be the next group of club leaders.

If you've ever served as a Club President or Captain, you know that begging for volunteers in some general way almost never works. People don't step forward without having a specific task that needs to be done and that interests them. So, the best way to get more people involved is to start by building a database of skills. Then, when you need something done, find people in the database and ask them to help with that specific task.

Hook them with a small task, and then reel them in by building a web of contacts and friendships, which make people more willing to participate. And always remember to thank them and acknowledge the work they have done.

Successful organisations have active programs to bring in new people. They have committees to share the workload, led by a board member with a formal charge to share the workload and get input from multiple people. Committees also get more people familiar with the organisation and how it works; they move people around to different portfolios and move them up the hierarchy.

But committees need to be focused on doing rather than on talking. Spend too much time debating and people will quickly get bored and leave.

#### **Board of Directors/Executive**

Clubs and associations should periodically examine the



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structure and organisation of their board of directors, to confirm that it still reflects the group's needs.

- Has the board become large and unwieldy?
- Are responsibilities properly spread around?
- Are there parts of the club's operations that are not specifically assigned to a board position? (For example, many clubs don't have someone specifically assigned to manage the web site and email communications.)
- Are some positions no longer needed?
- How does information flow around the club (For example, when a new membership arrives in the mail with a cheque, who collects the mail, who enters the details into the database, where does the cheque go, and who contacts the member to welcome him or her to the club? In some clubs, this is four separate people!)

I don't believe in "at-large" positions. People should be on a board of directors for a reason, with specific, defined responsibilities. Besides the Captain, Vice-Captain, Secretary, and Treasurer, other members should have specific portfolios related to the operations of the club, including membership, programs and communications.

Boards should be small and focused. If the structure of your club or association requires a larger executive (for example, if every district in an association has a board position) then define an executive committee that is authorised to make certain types of decisions, and commit the club up to a defined spending limit. As noted above, use committees in general to get the work done.

For some clubs, it makes sense to have separate positions for newsletter, publicity and web site. For other clubs, it may make more sense to have a 'Communications' board position, with a communications committee that handles the newsletter, publicity and the website.

Remember that the board/executive is elected by the members to run the club. Boards have a lot of power and autonomy to make decisions and execute them, without having to come back to the members for permission for every little thing. If the members don't like what you're doing, they will vote you out of office.

And most importantly, let automation handle the menial tasks. People will be more willing to volunteer if they can do creative and challenging tasks instead of sitting in a room stuffing envelopes. Allow directors to focus on creating a richer experience for members and on growing the club with the limited time they have available.

(Reference: Building Strong Clubs: Dan Ehrmann)

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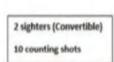




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## **Report on National Teams Competition**

#### By George Wittorff

The running of the 2018 National Target Rifle Teams over the period September 17-19, marked a couple of 'firsts' for the event.

To begin, Western Australia's newly established Pinjar Range was the venue for this year's competition. Newcomers to the range are confronted at the car park with views of the large and well-designed administration block that contains the WARA Offices, museum, toilets and showers, areas for cleaning and maintaining firearms as well as the WARA shop on one side of the building, while on the other, commercial kitchen, bar, lounge/club area plus a variety of meeting rooms.

The business section of the range consists of one firing area, covering 72 firing points and spanning three 'galleries' consisting of the short, mid and long ranges. The mound is concrete, covered with outdoor carpet.

The second and most significant aspect of this competition was that the Nationals were conducted for the first time using electronic targets. Any apprehension visiting teams may have entertained regarding the reliability and accuracy of the Kongsberg targets used was laid to rest during both the teams' shoot and the WARA Queens that followed. This was due in large part to the several weeks of work put into maintaining and refurbishing the targets by a small band of volunteer workers from both the metropolitan and several country associations.

Apart from an initial inconvenience of some target's paper centres peeling down during the 300 metre practice due to the effects of a heavy fog and resultant moisture, the supporting group of volunteers quickly established a routine of moving the monitors, cables and trailers containing the electronics so that by the end of the practice session there was a well-oiled routine in place. This allowed all matches to run on time, with no electronic problems with the targets – a testament of the preparation prior to, and the organisation during the matches.

Each shooting lane was serviced with three monitors – one for the coach, one for the scorer and one for the master coach. Feedback was universally positive. The competition was capably controlled by CRO Wayne Oldfield and his team.

Teams from Victoria, South Australia, Queensland, New South Wales, North Queensland and Western Australia took part in tough competition. Shooters were presented with fine weather, and conditions that tested coaches, especially as each day wore on.

A quick summary of results shows:

- Bruce White 300 metres: won by NSW with a score of 370.41
- Denzil MacArthur Onslow Memorial 800 metres: 1st: Victoria 371.42
- Alastair MacPherson Northcote Perpetual Trophy 800 metres: 1st: Victoria 498.47
- Neville Holt Match 900 metres: 1st: NSW 494.39
- R and J McGowan Perpetual (Aggregate of Short and Long Range Aggregates): 1st NSW 739.79
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WA team on the mound

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#### **Overall Results**

**Bruce White Memorial Match** 

#### NSWRA Captain: M McKenzie

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Mal McKenzie	74.009
Josh Gordon	74.005
Scott Brindley	75.008
Hamish Bongers	72.006
Angus Martin	75.013
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#### VRA Captain: J Corbett

John McDiarmid	72.004
Keith Toh	74.006
Peter Maher	73.008
Brett Thurtell	74.006
Mark Horsnell	74.008
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#### SARA Captain: Jim Caspers

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Warren Breeding	71.008
Brad Semmler	74.007
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Shane Abood	74.005
Dean Enslin	72.007
Andrew Mayfield	72.006
James Spence	73.009
Shaun Connolly	74.005
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WARA Captain: G Craigie	
Roger Brown	71.005
Paul Watkins	69.003
Neil Townsend	74.006
Clarrie Lauritsen	68.006
John Moore	74.008
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NQRA Captain: E Christie	
Anne Chinnery	68.005
Dudley Ford	67.004
Doug Pollock	70.005
Frank Chester	71.004
Mark Beecham	69.003
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<b>Denzil-Macarthur-Ons</b>	lo Results
VRA Captain: James Corbett	Coach: Barry Wood
Ross Jackson	75.007
David Black	74 007

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James Corbett	75.012
Peter O'Dwyer	73.008
David Brewster	74.008
David Black	74.007

QRA Captain: Darren Enslin	Coach: Rob Cadden
Gillian Webb-Enslin	74.007
Matt Pozzebon	73.007



Another use for a spotting scope - Whale watching - Warren - at the Head of the Bight en route to Pinjar



SA State Team Shooters at the presentation dinner - Pinjar

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Ian Noll	74.006
Lynlee Lowe	75.005
Kym Muller	72.008
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Peter Barry	72.005
Eric Christie	71.004
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Nathan Lauritsen	72.007
Michael Green	73.009
Mick Forsberg	72.006

#### The Merrett Match WARA

Captain: Garry Craigie Coaches: C Tuckey, S McDonaldRoger Brown48.0544.0047.0347.05186.013

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#### NQRA

#### **Captain: Eric Christie**

#### Coaches: T Deeds, M Beecham, A Chinnery, E Christie

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#### **Alastair MacPherson Northcote Perpetual Trophy VRA Captain: James Corbett**

#### Coaches: G Cavanagh B Wood

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Simon Whatley	48.004		
James Corbett	50.006		
Peter O'Dwyer	50.008		
David Brewster	50.004		
David Black	50.008		
Ross Jackson	50.006		
Mark Horsnell	50.001		
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Flav Konieczny	49.007
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Brad Semmler	49.006
Ian Noll	49.002
Lynlee Lowe	50.004
Kym Muller	49.003
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Angus Martin	49.003		
Mike Chad	49.006		
Barb Schwebel	50.007		
Rob Sweegers	50.004		
Matt Shepherd	49.007		
Kathryn Kent	50.008		
	494.058		
QRA Captain: Darren Enslin Coaches:			
<b>QRA Captain: Darren Enslin Coaches:</b> Shane Abood			
	R Cadden, R Rush		
Shane Abood	<b>R Cadden, R Rush</b> 48.004		
Shane Abood Dean Enslin	<b>R Cadden, R Rush</b> 48.004 50.008		
Shane Abood Dean Enslin Andrew Mayfield	<b>R Cadden, R Rush</b> 48.004 50.008 50.004		
Shane Abood Dean Enslin Andrew Mayfield James Spence	<b>R Cadden, R Rush</b> 48.004 50.008 50.004 50.004		
Shane Abood Dean Enslin Andrew Mayfield James Spence Shaun Connolly	R Cadden, R Rush 48.004 50.008 50.004 50.004 50.007		
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#### WA Captain: Garry Craigie Coaches C Tuckey & McDonald

Coacnes: C Tuckey, 5 McDonald			
Paul Watkins	48.006		
Neil Townsend	50.003		
John Moore	50.008		
Steve Crago	50.008		
Garry Craigie	49.003		
Gary Filgate	49.005		
Mick Forsberg	48.005		
Michael Green	49.005		
Nathan Lauritsen	48.006		
Mark Milentis	49.003		
	490.052		

#### NQRA Captain: Eric Christie

Coaches: T Deeds, M Beecham, A Chinnery, E Christie			
Anne Chinnery	45.000		
Dudley Ford	47.002		
Doug Pollock	49.006		
Frank Chester	49.003		
Mark Beecham	50.002		
Trevor Deed	48.004		
Marty Eitenever	49.006		
Peter Barry	46.003		
Eric Christie	48.007		
Garry Gee	50.005		
	481.038		

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Neville Holt Match NSW Captain: Mal McKenzie Coaches: J Ashton, R Ashton				
Mal McKenzie	50.004			
Josh Gordon	48.005			
Scott Brindley	50.003			
Hamish Bongers	50.003			
Angus Martin	50.003			
Mike Chad	48.004			
Barb Schwebel	49.004			
Rob Sweegers	50.004			
Matt Shepherd	49.004			
Kathryn Kent	50.005			
	494.039			

#### VRA Captain: James Corbett

Coaches: G Cavanagh, B Wood	
John McDiarmid	48.005
Keith Toh	50.004
Brett Thurtell	49.003
Mark Horsnell	48.006
Ross Jackson	50.004
David Black	47.004
David Brewster	50.004
Peter O'Dwyer	50.003



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James Corbett	48.002
Simon Whatley	49.005
	489.040
WA Captain: Garry Craigie	
Coaches: C Tuckey, S McDonald	
Roger Brown	47.002
Neil Townsend	49.005
John Moore	47.003
Steve Crago	49.005
Garry Craigie	50.004
Gary Filgate	47.003
Mick Forsberg	50.006
Michael Green	50.006
Nathan Lauritsen	50.005
Mark Milentis	49.007
	488.046
SA Captain: Jim Caspers	
Coaches: K Muller, P Bradshaw	
Rhyder Atkinson	47.002
Flav Konieczny	50.004
Warren Breeding	48.005
Brad Semmler	49.006
Ian Noll	48.006
Lynlee Lowe	49.006
Kym Muller	46.003
Bronwin Hajek	49.004
Paul Savage	49.004
Tony Kasparian	48.001
	483.041

#### QRA Captain: Darren Enslin

Coaches: R Cadden, R Rush				
Shane Abood	49.003			
Dean Enslin	50.006			
Andrew Mayfield	49.005			
Shaun Connolly	45.001			
Gillian Webb-Enslin	49.005			
Peter Schafferius	43.002			
Matt Pozzebon	47.002			
Geoff Grosskreutz	48.004			
Kim O'Loghlen	50.005			
George Edser	48.001			
	478.034			

#### NQRA Captain: Eric Christie

Coaches: T Deeds, M Beecham, A Chinnery, E Christie			
Anne Chinnery	42.004		
Dudley Ford	48.004		
Doug Pollock	47.003		
Frank Chester	47.001		
Mark Beecham	47.002		
Trevor Deed	47.001		
Marty Eitenever	50.004		
Peter Barry	45.002		
Eric Christie	48.004		
Garry Gee	49.004		
	470.029		

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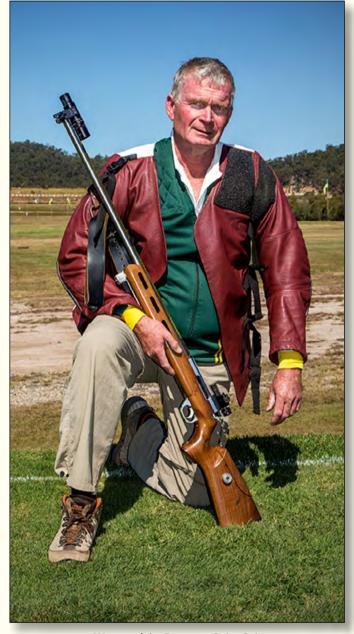
## **Queensland Queens Prize**

#### By Peter Doig, photos by Mike Scott

The Duncan Aggregate provided an exciting way to start the Queensland State Championships. Mirko Teglasi shot five consecutive possibles to take a strong lead into the final range. After the final range, four competitors finished on 297. Josh Pratt had 29 centres to finish fourth, leaving Mirko Teglasi, Lee Robinson and Colin Cole all on 30 centres, shooting off for the aggregate. The experienced Colin Cole triumphed in the shoot off.

#### **Duncan Results**

Tar	get Rifle A Grade		
1	Colin Cole	North Arm	297.030
2	Lee Robinson	Beaudesert	297.030
3	Mirko Teglasi	Brisbane	297.030
4	Josh Pratt	Natives	297.029
5	Kim O'Loghlen	Natives	296.036
6	Darren Enslin	Pacific	296.032
7	James Corbett	Benalla	296.028
8	Shane Abood	Albert and Central	296.026
9	Nick Cock	Grafton	296.025
10	Ash Bidgood	Crows	295.036
11	Michael Collings	Te Puke	295.034
12	Stephen Williams	Bathurst	295.024
13	Rob Rush	Ipswich	294.027
14	Hamish Pollock	University of Qld	294.025
15	David Morton	Port Macquarie	294.024
16	Andrew Sims	Port Jackson	293.026
17	John Hislop	Ipswich	293.022
18	Donna Negus	Bungendore	292.031
19	Helen Griffiths	Pacific	292.027
20	Joshua Cox	Cairns	292.027
21	John Gilliland	Crows	292.027
22	Robert Johansen	Gisborne NZ	292.023
Tar	get Rifle B Grade		
1	Blade Lacey	Maryborough (Vic)	294.030
2	Joshua Turner	Bundaberg/Burnett	290.026
3	Stephen Small	Albert and Central	288.013
4	Derek Sharp	Brisbane Mariners	287.017
5	Ann Chinnery	Marian	286.022
6	Barry White	Wingham	286.021
7	Rudi Mueller	Natives	286.019
8	Tim Walter	Roseville	284.027
9	Jeremy Chan	Sydney High School	283.026
10	Norio Kanayama	Japan	282.023
11	Clinton Whyte	Kaituna	281.019
12	Peter Richard Bevan	Central Qld Ts	279.020
13	Doug Pollock	Townsville Marksmen	279.017
14	John Becher	Mundaring	277.018
15	Neil Harris	Gold Coast City	276.017
Tar	get Rifle C Grade		
1	Peter Hannaford	Launceston VDC	279.016



Winner of the Duncan - Colin Cole

2	Michael Halpin	Natives	275.017			
3	Darren Canute	Townsville Marksmen	275.016			
FS	F Standard A Grade					
1	Nick Williamson	Gemfields	350.024			
2	Alan Ashworth	Hornsby	344.022			
3	Paul Finger	Gemfields	342.023			
4	Mal Sharp	Lyndhurst	342.016			
5	Trevor Rhodes	Maryborough (Vic)	342.014			
6	Henry Mischlewski	Albert and Central	341.015			
7	Gregory Emms	Lyndhurst	339.023			
8	Andrew McKillop	Bundaberg/Burnett	339.022			



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9	Bruce Rowlands	Lyndhurst	339.010
10	John Simons	Broken Hill	337.015
11	Dick Blocksidge	Albert and Central	336.019
12	Damien Tansley	Ipswich	336.016
13	Norm Cross	Gemfields	334.014
14	Robert Bartlett	Wingham	333.013
15	Marty Duffield	Brisbane Mariners	329.018
FS	tandard B Grade		
1	Linda Sweet	Port Jackson	335.015
2	Brian Hansen	Ipswich	332.013
3	Joe Koch	Monto	328.012
4	Michael Johansen	Gisborne NZ	323.012
5	Duncan Robinson	Wingham	316.007
FC	)pen		
1	Adrian Siebel	Hornsby RSL	347.020
2	Brent Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL	346.020
3	Stephen Lazarus	Cairns	345.024
4	Mike Waites	Warragul	345.016
5	Graham Mincham	Bundaberg/Burnett	342.020
6	Ernie Mace	Albert and Central	342.019
7	Derry Crisp	Armidale	342.019
FT	R		
1	Mark Fairbairn	Cannon Hill RSL	346.023
2	Ron Millingen	Murwillumbah	339.019
3	Marty Kelly	East Central DRA	337.015
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Ashley Bidgood of Crows Nest Goombungee Rifle Club recorded his first Queens Prize win in style, going through clean recording a score of 500 with 61 centres. After day two, Ashley and Chris Schwebel had carded 400 points with both starting the final day with yet another possible. F Standard was a tight tussle going into the final 1000 yards, which was led by Dennis Aarons ahead of Nick Williamson and Andre McKillop. Williamson prevailed after shooting a 59 at the last range. Keith Hills and Adrian Siebel were separated by centres after day two, in F Open. Adrian finished stronger to win, edging out a fast finishing Lowell Tillack. In FTR Daryl Barlow opened with a perfect 240 on the first day to establish a six point lead. His good form continued on day two to extend the lead to 10 points. He finished nine points ahead of Frans Knox.





Queensland Queens Winner Ashley Bidgood

Target Rifle B Grade was a photo finish between Blade Lacey, the eventual winner, and Josh Turner. C Grade was won by Michael Halpin after taking out the day one and day two aggregates. Second place went to Alex Nocerino, who won the day three aggregate.

#### **Queens Aggregate Results**

Taı	rget Rifle A Grade		
1	Ash Bidgood	Crows	500.061
2	Lee Robinson	Beaudesert	497.061
3	James Corbett	Benalla	497.052
4	Chris Millingen	Holsworthy	497.044
5	Gillian Webb-Enslin	Pacific	496.060
6	Andrew Sims	Port Jackson	496.054
7	Josh Pratt	Natives	495.058



#### **Australian Target Rifle**

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State Championship Winners - Ash Bidgood (TR), Nick Williamson (FStd), Daryl Barlow (FTR), Adrian Siebel (FOpen)

8	Colin Jones	Albert and Central	495.045
9	Matthew Pozzebon	University of Qld	494.056
10	Donna Negus	Bungendore	494.052
11	Darren Enslin	Pacific	492.058
12	Geoff Grosskreutz	Brisbane	492.055
13	Michael Collings	Te Puke NZ	492.051
14	Hamish Pollock	University of Qld	492.050
15	George Edser	Albert and Central	491.057
16	Tony McGuigan	Mosman Neutral Bay	491.051
17	Colin Cole	North Arm	490.055
18	Jason Kuchel	Atherton	490.045
19	Nick Cock	Grafton	490.043
20	Rob Rush	Ipswich	490.042
21	Geoff Kerr	Pacific	489.049
22	Wayne Boschetti	Marong	488.057
23	Robert Johansen	Gisborne NZ	488.054
24	Malcolm Dodson	Kaituna Blenheim NZ	488.050
25	Leigh O'Donnell	Pacific	488.049
26	Mijo Brdjanovic	Brisbane	488.048
27	Shane Abood	Albert and Central	488.048
28	James Spence	Natives	488.048
29	Geoff Grant	Brisbane Mariners	488.046
30	Andrew Mayfield	Ipswich	488.046
31	John Hislop	Ipswich	488.045
Tar	get Rifle B Grade		
1	Blade Lacey	Maryborough (Vic)	490.047
2	Joshua Turner	Bundaberg/Burnett	490.043

3	Derek Sharp	Brisbane Mariners	488.042
4	Rudi Mueller	Natives	486.040
5	Jeremy Chan	Sydney High School	484.038
6	Stephen Small	Albert and Central	483.037
7	Bas Hopkins	Gold Coast City	481.043
8	Des Voght	North Arm	480.034
9	Dmitri Kazakov	Roseville	478.034
10	Tony Logan	Ipswich	476.040
11	David Phippard	Murwillumbah	476.029
12	Kevin Howlett	Natives	476.027
13	Clinton Whyte	Kaituna	476.027
14	Neil Harris	Gold Coast City	475.043
15	Brett Stephens	Brisbane Mariners	474.028
16	Doug Pollock	Townsville Marksmen	472.039
17	Barry White	Wingham	472.024
18	Robert Howie	Brisbane Mariners	471.027
19	Norio	Japan	469.034
20	Ann Chinnery	Marian	469.032
Tar	get Rifle C Grade		
1	Michael Halpin	Natives	480.036
2	Alex Nocerino	Gold Coast City	477.040
3	Catherine Jones	Beaudesert	475.032
4	Mark Banks	University of Qld	471.034
5	Darren Canute	Townsville Marksmen	466.025
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FS	tandard A Grade		
1	Nick Williamson	Gemfields	589.036
2	Denis Aarons	North Arm	588.042
3	Andrew McKillop	Bundaberg/Burnett	587.048
4	Paul Finger	Gemfields	583.029
5	Glenn Rush	Ipswich	577.033
6	Ralph Garlick	Lyndhurst	575.034
7	Damien Tansley	Ipswich	574.032
8	Heather Smith	Hornsby RSL	571.034
9	Susie Ryan	Wodonga	571.027
10	John Simons	Broken Hill	570.032
11	Alan Ashworth	Hornsby	569.033
12	Bob Pedersen	Wodonga	569.029
13	Henry Mischlewski	Albert and Central	568.027
14	Norm Cross	Gemfields	567.022
15	Peter Drew	Brisbane	567.017
16	Charles Lazarus	Cairns	565.021
17	Bruce Rowlands	Lyndhurst	564.025
18	David Hatherell	Gympie-Kilkivan	564.025
19	Gregory Emms	Lyndhurst	559.032

20	Trevor Rhodes	Maryborough (Vic)	559.028
FS	tandard B Grade		
1	Brian Hansen	Ipswich	557.018
2	Brian Pickles	Natives	552.020
3	Joe Koch	Monto	549.024
4	Michael Johansen	Gisborne NZ	546.022
5	Linda Sweet	Port Jackson	544.025
6	Charles Arrowsmith	Biloela	538.018
7	Christina Adams	Wingham	522.006
8	Cedric E May	Canberra	521.015
9	John Hinricks	Wondai	517.015
10	Pamela Kraut	University of Qld	515.018
FC	pen		
1	Adrian Siebel	Hornsby RSL	591.045
2	Lowell Tillack	Goondiwindi	590.048
3	Mike Waites	Warragul /Drouin	588.049
4	Keith Hills	Lyndhurst	588.045
5	Stephen Lazarus	Cairns	588.042
6	Craig Mcgowan	Brisbane	585.044
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Looking down range from 1000 yards just after you have won the Queens

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Shoot-off for the Duncan Aggregate between Colin Cole, Mirko Teglasi, Lee Robinson (L to R), watched on by CRO Jeff Day

7	Ernie Mace	Albert and Central	585.039
8	Meichelle Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL	584.041
9	David Reddan	Gatton Glenore Gr	579.038
10	Derry Crisp	Armidale	576.031
FT	R		
1	Daryl Barlow	Ipswich	586.042
1 2	Daryl Barlow Frans Knox	Ipswich Brisbane	586.042 577.040
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_	Frans Knox	Brisbane	577.040

#### Grand Aggregate

Tar	get Rifle A Grade		
1	Ash Bidgood	Crows Nest G/bungee	795.097
2	Lee Robinson	Beaudesert	794.091
3	James Corbett	Benalla	793.080
4	Josh Pratt	Natives	792.087
5	Andrew Sims	Port Jackson	789.080
6	Darren Enslin	Pacific	788.090
7	Gillian Webb-Enslin	Pacific	787.100
8	Michael Collings	Te Puke NZ	787.085
9	Colin Cole	North Arm	787.085
10	Donna Negus	Bungendore	786.083
11	Hamish Pollock	University of Qld	786.075
12	Nick Cock	Grafton	786.068
13	Shane Abood	Albert and Central	784.074

14 Rob Rush Ipswich	784.069
	700.005
15 George Edser Albert and Central	782.085
16 Colin Jones Albert and Central	782.071
17 John Hislop Ipswich	781.067
18 Robert Johansen Gisborne NZ	780.077
19 Mijo Brdjanovic Brisbane	779.081
20 Leigh O'Donnell Pacific	778.072
21 Stephen Williams Bathurst	778.064
22 Andrew Mayfield Ipswich	777.076
23 Eric Christie Townsville Marksme	en 777.074
24 Ken Young Southern Highlands	s 776.076
25 Malcolm Dodson Kaituna Blenheim M	NZ 776.070
26 David Morton Port Macquarie	776.068
27 Leigh Marett Natives	776.065
28 Tony McGuigan Mosman Neutral Ba	ay 775.073
29 Helen Griffiths Pacific	775.071
30 Geoffrey Wellburn Pacific	775.065
Target Rifle B Grade	
1 Blade Lacey Maryborough (Vic)	784.077
2 Joshua Turner Bundaberg/Burnett	780.069
3 Derek Sharp Brisbane Mariners	775.059
4 Rudi Mueller Natives	772.059
5 Stephen Small Albert and Central	771.050
6 Jeremy Chan Sydney High School	ol 767.064
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7	Barry White	Wingham	758.045
8	Clinton Whyte	Kaituna Blenheim NZ	757.046
9	Ann Chinnery	Marian	755.054
10	Neil Harris	Gold Coast City	751.060
11	Norio Kanayama	Japan	751.057
12	Doug Pollock	Townsville Marksmen	751.056
13	Dmitri Kazakov	Roseville	748.055
14	David Phippard	Murwillumbah	748.043
15	Tim Walter	Roseville	742.050
16	Brett Stephens	Brisbane Mariners	737.040
17	Frank Horgan	Colac	729.039
18	Takeshi Sugita	Japan	726.036
19	Takashi Moteki	Japan	724.041
20	Yoshihito Sakakibara	Japan	724.037
Tar	get Rifle C Grade		
1	Michael Halpin	Natives	755.053
2	Catherine Jones	Beaudesert	747.050
3	Darren Canute	Townsville Marksmen	741.041
4	Peter Hannaford	Launceston VDC	726.040
5	Phillip West	Darwin	719.042
FS	tandard A Grade		
1	Nick Williamson	Gemfields	939.060
2	Andrew McKillop	Bundaberg/Burnett	926.070
3	Paul Finger	Gemfields	925.052
4	Alan Ashworth	Hornsby	913.055
5	Damien Tansley	Ipswich	910.048
6	Henry Mischlewski	Albert and Central	909.042
7	John Simons	Broken Hill	907.047
8	Bruce Rowlands	Lyndhurst	903.035
9	Trevor Rhodes	Maryborough (Vic)	901.042
10	Norm Cross	Gemfields	901.036
11	Gregory Emms	Lyndhurst	898.055
12	Heather Smith	Hornsby RSL	896.043
13	Mal Sharp	Lyndhurst	896.040
14	Robert Bartlett	Wingham	892.029



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15	Peter D	Drew	Brisbane		891.028
16	Charles	s Lazarus	Cairns		888.026
17	Marty I	Duffield	Brisbane Mariners		880.042
18	John L		North Sydney		878.036
19	Gail Ch	nristie	Townsville Marksm	en	873.040
20	Craig C	Clark	Gatton Glenore Gr		871.038
F	Standard	B Grade			
1	Brian H	lansen	Ipswich		889.031
2	Linda S		Port Jackson		879.040
3	Joe Ko	ch	Monto		877.036
4	Michae	l Johansen	Gisborne NZ		869.034
5	Charles	Arrowsmith	Biloela		852.025
6	Cedric	E May	Canberra		836.023
7	Christir	na Adams	Wingham		833.017
8	Duncar	n Robinson	Wingham		819.013
9	Jiraya I	Araya	Monto		806.018
10	Merrick	Rhone	Hornsby RSL		803.020
F	Open		-		
1	Adrian	Siebel	Hornsby RSL		938.065
2	Stephe	n Lazarus	Cairns		933.066
3	Mike W	laites	Warragul /Drouin		933.065
4	Lowell	Tillack	Goondiwindi		931.076
5	Ernie M	lace	Albert and Central		927.058
6	Meiche	lle Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL		925.062
7	Keith H	lills	Lyndhurst		922.057
8	Brent k	Knudsen	Cannon Hill RSL		920.065
9	Derry (	Crisp	Armidale		918.050
10	David F	Reddan	Gatton Glenore Gr		914.054
FT	'R				
1	Central	Daryl Barlow	Ipswich	160	921.058
2	Central	Craig Pratt	Natives	160	908.045
3	Central	Dennis Formiatti	Canberra	160	901.044
4	Central	Marty Kelly	East Central Dra	160	898.046
5	Central	Gary Towers	Bundaberg/Burnett	t 160	893.047
D	uncan	Teams			
Pa	acific R	ifle Club			195.16
Ce	entral I	Rifle Club			194.11
Na	atives F	Rifle Club			191.13
Ja	ipan A				179.11
Be	eaudese	ert Rifle Club			176.10
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#### The Archer Trophy and F Class Challenge

The Archer Trophy and F Class Challenge started off the State Championship week on Monday afternoon, with a 15 shot match at 1000 yards. The match was strongly supported by international shooters from Japan and New Zealand taking the opportunity to obtain a 1000 yard zero. The Archer Trophy was won by John Ball of New Zealand with a score of 71 with two centres, which was recorded in very difficult conditions. The F Class Challenge was won by John Leaske, using an F Standard rifle, scoring 83 with two centres.

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#### The ArcherTrophy

#### 6 August 2018, 15 shot match at 1000 Yards -Optical Class Rules

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Name	Club	Score
John Ball	Te Puke NZ	71.002
Dmitri Kazakov	Roseville	70.006
Diane Collings	Te Puke NZ	70.003
Malcolm Dodson	Kaituna Blenheim NZ	69.004
Michael Collings	Te Puke NZ	69.002
Takeshi Sugita	Japan	67.004
Clinton Whyte	Kaituna Blenheim NZ	67.003
Robert Johansen	Gisborne NZ	66.006
Norio Kanayama	Japan	66.003
Rodney Prayle	Maryborough	64.004
Joshua Cox	Cairns	62.002
Stephen Small	Albert and Central	62.002
Takashi Moteki	Japan	62.001
Blade Lacey	Maryborough	59.003
Koichi Moniwa	Japan	58.004
Satoru Matsuno	Japan	57.001
Noriaki Hirao	Japan	52.001
Yoshihito Sakakibara	Japan	51.003

#### F Class Challenge

#### 6 August 2018, 15 shot match at 1000 Yards any compliant F Class Standard, Open or FTR

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Name	Club	Score
John Leask	North Sydney	83.002
Paul Finger	Gemfields	82.002
Mike Waites	Warragul/Drouin	82.002
Stephen Lazarus	Cairns	78.003
Trevor Rhodes	Maryborough	77.001
Dick Blocksidge	Albert and Central	76.001
Craig Clark	Gatton Glenore Gr	74.000
Ivor Davidson	Ipswich	73.001
Linda Sweet	Port Jackson	71.002
Michael Johansen	Gisborne NZ	71.000
Jiraya Araya	Monto	70.001
Dennis Formiatti	Canberra	70.000



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Marty Kelly	East Central D	60.000
Peter Drew	Brisbane	59.000

#### Zillman Teams

The Zillman Teams comprises competitors from a DRA and was held on Wednesday 8 August 2018. The match was at 600 yards, with two sighters and 10 to count with the team made up of five shooters and one coach. The match is open to teams from any District Rifle Association affiliated with their State Rifle Association, which must be a member of the NRAA. There is no limit to the number of teams from one Association.

South East DRA (QLD) returned consistent scores, however the Metropolitan DRA (QLD) carded four possibles and with a 44, still had enough centres to take the win. The F Class Teams operated a new hybrid, with the four members comprising one each of: Target Rifle, F Standard, F Open and FTR. This format is likely to continue. The Duncan Club Teams was won by Pacific just ahead of Central.

MDRA	Brisbane	244.22
SEDRA		244.18

#### **Mixed Class Teams**

Team: Captain: Mark Fairbairn

Coach: Ernie Mace

Team:

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Ash Bidgood	TR	49.4
Andrew McKillop	F Std	58.2
Mark Fairbairn	F/TR	59.1
Mike Waites	F Open	57.2
	TOT	AL: 223.9
Team		
Captain: Daryl		
Coach: Mike		
Team:		
Rod Prayle	TR	47.3
Marty Duffield	F Std	57.1
Daryl Barlow	FTR	57.4
Derry Crisp	F Open	60.8
	TOTA	L: 221.16
Team		
Captain: Craig Pratt		
Coach: John Menzel		
Team:		
Josh Pratt	TR	50.4
Paul Finger	F Std	59.3
Craig Pratt	FTR	53.0
Steve Lazarus	F Open	56.2
	ТОТ	AL: 218.9
Team		
Coach: Bob Pedersen		
Team:		
James Corbett	TR	50.8
C Lazarus	F Std	53.2
Denis Formiatti	FTR	55.3
Ian Marks	F Open	56.3
	TOTA	L: 214.16

#### Australian Target Rifle

## WARA Championships 2018

#### By David Cole, photos by Billie Fairclough

The Western Australian Rifle Association Dukes and Queens series was contested on the Pinjar Range following the three days of NRAA National Teams Matches.

Target rifle shooters gathered on Pinjar from all over Australia to contest their hard-fought National teams matches for the first time on electronic targets, with the weather God's laying on good shooting conditions.

The Ray Miles club teams was shot on the Thursday morning before the start of the State Championship using the MCSI scoring system - allowing different categories to compete directly with each other. With sixteen club teams competing the numbers were up from three teams last year; with Esperance Rifle Club winning.

On Thursday afternoon after the Ray Miles Club teams, the first day of the Duke of Edinburgh started in sunny conditions. This was a direct opposite from the wet weather from the first WARA State Championship on the Pinjar Range last year, most days started with a heavy fog that cleared in time for the start of shooting.

By the end of the Dukes it was evident that the winners in all disciplines would have to cope with very demanding range conditions in the warm sunny days and only time would tell the final winners. For the Duke of Edinburgh, the winner in Target Rifle Open was Simon Wheatly (Katandra) with his first Queens lead up win. This was followed by Division 2 Neil Townsend (Perth Fremantle), Division 3 Peter O Dwyer (Katandra) and Division 4 Malcolm Flavel (Whyalla). In F Class disciplines the winners were: F Standard Open Catherine Keogh (Beverley), F Standard B Rene Drew (Esperance), F Open Bob Kinnear (Boddington) and FTR Shaun Stoffels (Bassendean Bellvue).

#### The Duke of Edinburgh Results

Taı	get Rifle Open		
1.	Simon Whatley	Katandra	275.30
2.	James Corbett	Benalla	274.33
3.	Mark Horsnell	Werribee	273.29
4.	Neil Townsend	Perth - Fremantle	273.26
5.	Garry Craigie	Yarloop	272.26
6.	Matt Shepherd	Endeavour Rifle	272.23
7.	Joshua Gordon	Lyndhurst Rifle	272.17
8.	David Brewster	Fitzroy/Caulfield	271.27
9.	Mark Milentis	Manjimup	271.25
10.	Ross Jackson	Yarram	271.25
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Chairing the 2018 WA Queens winner James Corbett

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Bruce Lloyd WA Queens F Class Standard Winner 2018

Di	vision 1			
1.	Simon Whatley	Katandra	275.30	
2.	James Corbett	Benalla	274.33	
3.	Mark Horsnell	Werribee	273.29	
4.	Garry Craigie	Yarloop	272.26	
Di	vision 2			
1.	Neil Townsend	Perth - Fremantle	WA	273.26
2.	Joshua Gordon	Lyndhurst	NSW	272.17
3.	Ross Jackson	Yarram	VIC	271.25
4.	Laurie Mackay	Bencubbin	WA	271.22
Di	vision 3			
1.	Peter O Dwyer	Katandra	VIC	270.26
2.	Peter Maher	Lilydale	VIC	269.17
3.	Kim Ologhlen	Natives	QLD	267.22
4.	Stephen McShane	Yarloop	WA	267.17
Di	vision 4			
1.	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla	SA	265.20
2.	Lara McCarthy	Perth Fremantle	WA	263.20
3.	Doug Pollock	Townsville Marksmen	QLD	262.16
4.	Kenneth Sue	Busselton	WA	262.1
FS	Standard Open			
1.	Catherine Keogh	Beverley	WA	322.24
2.	Bruce Lloyd	Albany	WA	321.26
3.	Gerard Doney	Perth - Fremantle	WA	314.17
4.	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	WA	313.21

5.	Rene Drew	Esperance	WA	313.16
FS	Standard-A			
1.	Catherine Keogh	Beverley	WA	322.24
2.	Bruce Lloyd	Albany	WA	321.26
3.	Gerard Doney	Perth - Fremantle	WA	314.17
FS	Standard -B			
1.	Rene Drew	Esperance	WA	313.16
2.	Ron Lockley	Wurgabup	WA	309.11
3.	Ric Hurst	South Perth	WA	299.10
F (	Open			
1.	Bob Kinnear	Boddington	WA	326.29
2.	Brad Day	Busselton	WA	326.27
3.	Ray Hurley	Esperance	WA	321.26
FT	R			
1.	Shaun Stoffels	Bassendean Bellvue	WA	319.23
2.	Bradley Lemmon	Geraldton Greenough	WA	318.17
3.	David Bliss	Perth Fremantle	WA	315.12
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Saturday morning was the start of the WARA Queens Prize with 150 shooters on the range. With no change in the shooting conditions, it was good to see most of the target rifle shooters from the other side of the Nullarbor staying on for what would be very interesting shooting conditions over the next three days.



Brett Bunyan WA Queens F Open winner 2018

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Shaun Stoffels WA Queens FTR winner 2018

By the end of day one in Division 1 Mark Horsnell (Werribee) and David Brewster (Fitzroy/Caulfield) were level pegging in Target Rifle, in F Standard Catherine Keogh (Beverly) and Mahlon Reid (Boddington) could not be separated on their scores. In F Open Brett Bunyan (Boddington) was ahead and in FTR Shaun Stoffels (Bassendean Bellvue) had a good lead.

Day two began and the good weather was holding, with the Division winners for the day being: Target Rifle Division 1 Matt Shepherd (Endeavour), Division 2 Brett Thurtell (Wodonga), Division 3 Peter O Dwyer (Katandra), Division 4 Kenneth Sue (Busselton) and in F Standard - A Bruce Lloyd (Albany), F Standard - B Drew Rene (Esperance), F Open Brad Day (Busselton) and FTR Shaun Stoffels (Bassendean Bellvue).

The final day at the 800 metre range saw the first twenty five shooters in Target Rifle Division 1 separated by seven centres, with Mark Horsnell (Werribee) on top. In Division 2, Barry Hughes (Albany) was the first of eleven that were separated by five centres. In Division 3 Peter Maher (Lilydale) held a two centre lead and in Division 4, Kenneth Sue (Busselton) was in front. In F Standard-A, Mahlon Reid (Boddington) was up by four X's, in F Standard-B Neil Carver (Subiaco), in F Open, Brad Day (Busselton) was up by one X and in FTR David Bliss (Perth Fremantle) was the leader. With the top shooters in all disciplines at the 800 metres putting in good scores, it was now down to the last range at 900 metres and with the conditions changing by the minutes it levelled the field out. In Target Rifle Division 1 winner was Nathan Lauritsen (Meekatharra), in Division 2 Garry Gee (Darwin), in Division 3 Allan Dods (Subiaco), in Division 4 Terrence Concanen (Mundaring). In F Standard-A Catherine Keogh (Beverley) was ahead, in F Standard-B Drew Rene (Esperance), in F Open Bryce Day (Busselton) and in FTR Vanessa Bliss (Perth Fremantle).

At the end, after nine days of shooting for some of the target rifle shooters, the three days of the Queens had come to a close with the 15 shot matches at the end of days one and two pushing the shooters and giving a positive challenge to long range shooting. The electronic targets worked exceptionally well, with no out of character shots being recorded or challenges to the scores. All twenty of the long-range and twenty mid-range targets had been changed to the Caple Cassette system, with some recording over 2000 shots.

The Winner of the WARA Queens for 2018 in target rifle was James Corbett 447.49 from Paul Savage 446.48, Division 2 Brett Thurtell, Division 3 Peter O Dwyer, Division 4 Ken Sue, in F Standard Bruce Lloyd (523.33 for his first major win) F Standard-B Drew Rene 507.24, in F Open Brett Bunyan 533.44 and in FTR Shaun Stoffels 528.41.

#### The Queens Aggregate

Taı	rget Rifle Open			
1	James Corbett	Benalla	VIC	447.49
2	Paul Savage	Port Pirie	SA	446.48
3	Brett Thurtell	Wodonga	NSW	444.49
4	Eric Christie	Townsville Marksmen	QLD	444.34
5	Matt Shepherd	Endeavour Rifle Club	NSW	443.48
6	Robert Sweegers	Lyndhurst Rifle Club	NSW	443.46
7	Mark Horsnell	Werribee	VIC	443.46
8	Garry Gee	Darwin	NT	443.42
9	Mark Milentis	Manjimup	WA	443.37
10	Barb Schwebel	Holsworthy	NSW	442.46
11	Rhyder Atkinson	Wallaroo	SA	442.43
12	Angus Martin	Roseville Rifle Club	NSW	441.48
13	Garry Craigie	Yarloop	WA	441.45
14	Ross Jackson	Yarram	VIC	441.44
15	Micheal Green	Kambalda	WA	441.29
16	Scott Brindley	Explorers Rifle Club	NSW	440.46
17	Mal McKenzie	Wingham	NSW	440.43
18	Laurie Mackay	Bencubbin	WA	440.38
19	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld	QLD	440.38
20	Neil Townsend	Perth - Fremantle	WA	440.34
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4	Trevor Ferres	Bassendean Bellevue	WA	513.28
5	Anthony Penny	Darling Range Rifle Club	WA	512.32
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1	Rene Drew	Esperance	WA	507.24
2	Ron Lockley	Wurgabup	WA	495.20
3	Ashley Norwood	Geraldton Greenough	WA	489.18
4	David Alford	Bassendean Bellevue	WA	485.12
5	Shane Mortimer	Esperance	WA	484.18
6	Ric Hurst	South Perth	WA	481.20
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1	Brett Bunyan	Boddington		533.44
2	Brad Day	Busselton	WA	532.46
3	Bryce Day	Busselton	WA	528.48
4	Bob Kinnear	Boddington	WA	522.46
5	Jason Rushton	Perth Fremantle	WA	521.32
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1	Shaun Stoffels	Bassendean Bellvue	WA	528.41
2	David Bliss	Perth Fremantle	WA	509.22
3	Vanessa Bliss	Perth Fremantle	WA	498.21
4	Stephen Mortimer	Esperance Rifle Club	WA	496.27
5	Peter Sproule	Perth - Fremantle	WA	495.18
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2	Mark Horsnell	Werribee	VIC	716.75
3	Matt Shepherd	Endeavour Rifle Club	NSW	715.71
4	Mark Milentis	Manjimup	WA	714.62
5	Garry Craigie	Yarloop	WA	713.71
6	Robert Sweegers	Lyndhurst Rifle Club	NSW	713.71
7	Garry Gee	Darwin	NT	713.67
8	Neil Townsend	Perth - Fremantle	WA	713.60
9	Barb Schwebel	Holsworthy	NSW	712.72
10	Ross Jackson	Yarram	VIC	712.69
11	Brett Thurtell	Wodonga	NSW	711.74
12	Rhyder Atkinson	Wallaroo	SA	711.72
13	Simon Whatley	Katandra	VIC	711.72
14	Mal McKenzie	Wingham	NSW	711.67
15	Laurie Mackay	Bencubbin	WA	711.60
16	Micheal Green	Kambalda	WA	710.52
17	Bluey (Ian) Noll	Whyalla	SA	709.74
18	Peter O'Dwyer	Katandra	VIC	709.66
19	Matt Pozzebon	University of Qld	QLD	709.61
20	Angus Martin	Roseville Rifle Club	NSW	708.68
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2	Mark Horsnell	Werribee	VIC	716.75

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Two days of great shooting in Target Rifle, F Class, F Open and FTR

8:30 am Start each day. Entries close 10am both days.

Entry fee: \$75 for 2 days incl. range levy & \$45 for 1 day incl. range levy

Saturday 2 + 10 at 500,500,600,600mts

Sunday 2 + 15 at 700m, 2 + 10 at 800m and 2 + 15 at 800m

Please contact NSWRA for on-range accommodation and campsite bookings.

Angie's Canteen facilities will be available both days.

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4	Brett Thurtell	Wodonga	NSW	711.74
5	Rhyder Atkinson	Wallaroo	SA	711.72
Di	vision 3			
1	Peter O'Dwyer	Katandra	VIC	709.66
2	Peter Maher	Lilydale	VIC	706.73
3	Kim O'Loghlen	Natives	QLD	705.51
4	Keith Toh	Werribee	VIC	701.71
5	Stephen McShane	Yarloop	WA	696.50
Di	vision 4			
1	Kenneth Sue	Busselton	WA	698.48
2	Ann Chinnery	Marian Rifle Club	QLD	689.49
3	Doug Pollock	Townsville Marksmen	QLD	688.41
4	Malcolm Flavel	Whyalla	SA	687.39
5	Ross Moyle	Wodonga	VIC	680.45
FS	Standard Open			
1	Bruce Lloyd	Albany	WA	844.59
2	Catherine Keogh	Beverley	WA	836.59
3	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	WA	833.62
4	Anthony Penny	Darling Range Rifle Club	WA	825.45
5	Rene Drew	Esperance	WA	820.40
6	Mal Hambleton	Mundaring	WA	817.35
7	Graham Oates	Busselton	WA	814.34
FS	Standard -A			
1	Bruce Lloyd	Albany	WA	844.59
2	Catherine Keogh	Beverley	WA	836.59
3	Mahlon Reid	Boddington	WA	833.62
4	Anthony Penny	Darling Range Rifle Club	WA	825.45
FS	Standard -B			
1	Rene Drew	Esperance	WA	820.40
2	Ron Lockley	Wurgabup	WA	804.31
3	Ric Hurst	South Perth	WA	780.30
F	Open			
1	Brad Day	Busselton	WA	858.73
2	Bob Kinnear	Boddington	WA	848.75
3	Bryce Day	Busselton	WA	847.70
4	Ray Hurley	Esperance	WA	836.55
5	Ross Burton	Busselton	WA	822.45
FT				
1	Shaun Stoffels	Bassendean Bellvue	WA	847.64
2	David Bliss	Perth Fremantle	WA	824.34
3	George Wittorff	Bunbury	WA	804.38
4	Stephen Mortimer	Esperance Rifle Club	WA	796.3

Thanks to all who enjoyed our range from all over Australia and made this year at Pinjar a great event. To all those who volunteered their time to help make this year successful and enjoyable a massive "thank you" to you - without you it would not have happened.

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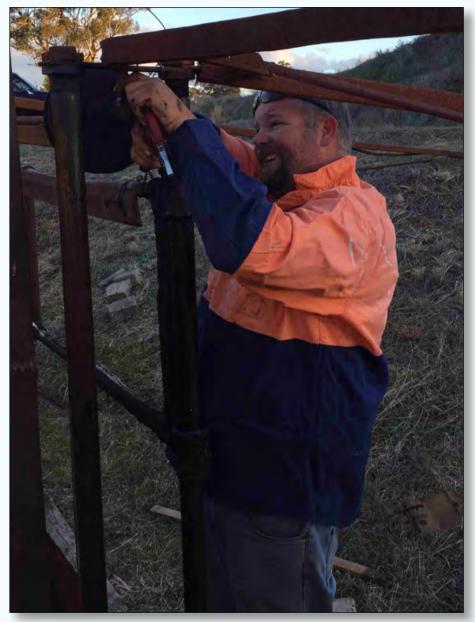
# **Explorers Prize Meeting**

#### By Scott Brindley

It was a very cold and windy weekend for our Sweepstakes and Prize meeting at Lockhart. The wind not only made the shooting tough but chilled shooters to the bone! The Saturday afternoon sweepstakes at 1000 yards was very difficult, with strong winds and a shower of rain but still 18 intrepid shooters came along and gave it their best. It was just as tough for the Butts crew from the Lockhart Fishing Club as the wind was whistling through the butts and straight onto the back of the large targets. Of course, that was not all, as then came the rain. Mad dogs and Englishman comes to mind! Of course, it could not be that easy so toward the end of the day our 100-year-old target frame failed; cracking a major structural support brace. We however, have access to members with many talents and so a big thank you to Kevin Paton who plucked a welder and tools out of mid-air and his many helpers who managed to fix the Target 2 Lifting frame so that it would be ready on Sunday morning.

At the days end it was a quick retreat for a warm shower then our normal get together at the Lockhart Ex-Services who are a major supporter of the club. Our visitors thoroughly enjoyed the evening and the great Chinese smorgasbord that was provided by Kit and Angus the resident chefs. At the club, presentation was made to the Sweepstakes winners and it was Laura Brindley (who once again headed the field after wins in previous years) along with Ben Goodwin and Gary Trudgett who obviously used the sweepstakes event to sharpen up their wind reading skills for the Sunday prize meeting. The stats officer will have his pen sharpened next year to bring this lot back to the rest of the field.

On Sunday, the shoot commenced at 8.30am and shooters were right on schedule, even given the ever-present howling wind, which seemed even stronger. At 9.30am,



Kevin Running Repairs

the temperature was six degrees but after the wind chill, the apparent temperature was below zero. Wind speeds were up to 63km per hour and it blew hard and cold all day with fast changes. Not surprisingly, we only had 34 shooters attending, with a number calling to send their apologies. Still despite the cold, all had a good day and most stayed for the presentation.

There were a number of visitors from far away. They included John and Helen Becher from Perth who only had a short 3440 kilometres to drive home. Obviously, they took the opportunity to thaw out for another day on the range before hitting the road. Other visitors included Alan Noble from Eugowra, Charlie Attard, Bob and Lynn Harvey from Sydney, Rob Sperring from Nowra and Bill Ballantyne from Hornsby, plus our great supporters from Victoria.

A special thankyou is extended to the Lockhart Anglers Club for their marking efforts in what can only



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be described as very challenging conditions and all of the Green Team members and others who helped get the range looking so good. It was a team effort, the range looked great despite the weather, and of course, a special thank you goes to the women in the kitchen who kept us fed with hot drinks and food. Great job Linda, Ross, Sue, Margaret, Dale and Zoe.

In closing, we are also blessed with a number of local sponsors, so a sincere thank you goes out to the Lockhart Ex Services, Lockhart Motel, Lockhart IGA as well as the local and visiting shooters who made donations.

#### **Prize Meeting Summary**

**A Grade:** Bill Ballantyne had a close tussle with Scott Brindley

**B Grade:** Laura Brindley -Explorers

**C Grade:** Andrew Habets Wangaratta

F Class A Grade: Rob Sperring -Nowra

**F Class B Grade:** Chris Cowell - Explorers (new member)

**F Open:** Gary Trudgett Cootamundra

FTR: Chris Halloran - Junee

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Sweepstakes						
Name	Grade	H/CAP	1st	2nd	Total	Agg
Laura Brindley	TRB	30	43	42	115	221
Ben Goodwin	FO	0	51	56	107	216
Greg Warrian	FO	0	54	52	106	213
Rob Sperring	FSA	11	40	42	93	213
John Goodwin	FO	0	48	59	107	212
Garry Trudgett	FO	0	51	55	106	212
Doug George	FO	0	49	53	102	211
Brindley-Scott	TR-A	15	54	51	120	211
Allan Fuge	FSA	11	43	53	107	209
Bill Ballantyne	TRB	24	30	46	100	207
John Dixon	FO	0	51	54	105	205
Chris Cowell	FSB	19	43	42	104	204
Harvey Bob	FSA	11	37	48	96	203
Kevin Paton	FSB	15	46	48	109	201
Phil Bain	FSA	11	48	41	100	196
Robert Bart	FO	0	43	52	95	195
Graham Crowe	FO	0	45	46	91	186
John Becher	TRB	30	31	24	85	178
Rob Jeffrey	FO	0	49	43	92	177

#### **Prize Meeting Full Results**

Name:	Agg
Bill Ballantyne	143.007
Scott Brindley	142.010
Dave Xuereb	137.009
Laura Brindley	137.004
Paul Diffey	136.004
John Beecher	132.002
	Name: Bill Ballantyne Scott Brindley Dave Xuereb Laura Brindley Paul Diffey John Beecher



Bill Ballantyne

31	24	85	178
49	43	92	177
В	Doug Geor	ge	131.004
В	Trevor Diff	ey	78.000
В	Charlie At	tard	73.004
С	Andrew H	abets	136.010
С	Gary Mull		111.002
FA	Bob Sperri	ing	160.005
FA	Alan Fuge		159.008
FA	Brendan P	owell	155.004
FA	Rob Harve	ey	155.001
FA	Phil Bain		154.002
FA	Di Jonker		108.003
FB	Chris Cow	ell	158.006
FB	Matt Powe	11	154.004
FB	Warwick S	ides	152.002
FB	Kevin Pato	n	148.004
FB	Alan Noble	2	144.006
FB	John Youn	g	139.001
FB	Hubert Ha	135.003	
FO	FO Gary Trudgett		173.013
FO	Ben Good	win	173.008
FO	Neville Lyc	ons	171.006
FO	Greg Warr	170.005	
FO	Robert Ba	nt	168.009
FO	FO Phil Jonker		165.007
FO	Graham C	rowe	165.005
FO	John Dixon		156.006
FO	Rob Jeffery		149.003
FTR	Chris Halle	oran	161.005
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Scott and Laura Brindley



Garry Trudgett and Scott Brindley



Laura and Scott at 1000 yards



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Explorers new shirts



Neville Lyons and Scott Brindley

# West Broken Hill Rifle Club

#### By Tony Tugwell, Photos by Linda Tugwell

On the weekend of July 21 and 22 the West Broken Hill Rifle Club conducted their annual Open Prize Meeting with shooters from Alice Springs, Woomera, Whyalla, Yunta, Port Pirie, Adelaide, Murray Bridge, Mount Barker, Waikerie, Balaklava and Spalding attending, plus a contingent of local club shooters. The weekend weather was mild compared to past years and it was a change to have sunshine and light winds instead of the usual cold blustery winter days.

The West Broken Hill Rifle Club appreciates the sponsorship and generosity of the local businesses and individuals for this event each year, and without their support it becomes very difficult to put on a quality event. Gary and Linda Hanford go to great lengths to obtain an array of top quality trophies that are second to none. The trophies were fairly evenly distributed among the competitors by the end of the weekend. The ladies must also be congratulated for the meals that were provided during the weekend which were appreciated by all.

The winners were: A Grade W Breeding with 282.21, B Grade C McDermott with 284.12, C Grade T Tugwell with 272.16, F Class Standard A Grade J Simons with 347.21 and F Class Standard B Grade D Bartel with 322.17. The best Grand Aggregate target rifle score was shot by B Grade shooter Chris McDermott from Cyclists and Torrens Valley SA with a 284.12 off rifle to eclipse the best A Grade shooter by two points. This is unusual but occasionally it does happen.

After the 900 yard range was completed, the top eight shooters for the two days shot off Bisley style for the coveted Eddy Hart Memorial Sash consisting of 15 counting shots for a possible of 75. Don Merritt from the West Broken Hill Club was successful, posting a score of 68.6.

The pair's match was held at the

Chris McDermott from Cuclists T	orren

Chris McDermott from Cyclists Torrens Valley Rifle Club Winner of the Grand Aggregate with 284.12 and also winner of the Charlie & June Brothers Memorial Shield for the B Grade Winner

600 yard range after the completion of day one. Gordon Harrison and Bill Pryde were the best off rifle with 79.6 dropping only one point.

#### Day 1 Aggregate

A Grade Warren Breeding (Yunta) 149.13 Dean Bartel 322.17

Don Merritt being presented with Eddy Hart Memorial Sash by David Gardner on behalf of the Hart Family

B Grade	
Don Merritt (West BH)	146.13
C Grade	
Tony Tugwell (West BH)	143.9
F Standard A Grade	
John Simons (BHRC)	179.15
F Standard B Grade	
Richard Steele (Yunta)	170.7
Day 2 Aggregate	
A Grade	
Warren Breeding	133.8
B Grade	
Bill Pryde (Spalding)	139.7
C Grade	
Len Wilkes (Pt. Pirie)	132.5
F Standard A Grade	
Trevor Wilkes (Pt. Pirie)	168.8
F Standard B Grade	
Dean Bartel (Wakerie)	154.7
Grand Aggregate	
A Grade	
Warren Breeding	282.21
B Grade	
Chris McDermott (CTV)	284.12
C Grade	
Tony Tugwell	272.16
F Standard A Grade	
John Simons	347.21
F Standard B Grade	
Dean Bartel	322.17

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# **Inverell Prize Meeting**

### Article and photos by Alistair Williams

Inverell RSM Rifle Club held their 71st prize meeting over the Easter weekend in warm sunny conditions. For most of the weekend the wind was mild to moderate from the SSE or SE, however, the fluctuating mirage was the main influence on scores.

The opening 600 yard range saw the contenders showing their credentials early, with Ben Picton and Andrew Wilson starting strongly in A Grade with scores of 50.6 each. In F Standard Daniel Galea had an impressive 60.6 to commence proceedings and in F Open Alex Eddy from Inverell had a strong start with a 60.7.



Andrew Wilson leaving the mound at 600 yards

At 500 yards conditions picked up with the variable wind playing its part. A very steady effort from Andrew Wilson saw him take the lead in A Grade with an outstanding 50.8 claiming a narrow lead over Ben Picton. In Target Rifle B Grade Andrew Geary had a sound 49.6 to keep him in touch with the leaders.



Nathan Smith on the chalk at 300 yards In F Standard A Grade, Grant Smith began to stake his claim with a 59.4 and in B Grade Chris Barnard had a good 58.4.

The F Open shooters were running a very tight competition with only two points separating the field at 500 yards with Alex Eddy again proving victoriousThe final range for the day, 300 yards, shot over the quarry, saw Andrew Wilson drop his first point for the day to finish with 49.8; second to Ben Picton who shot a steady 50.4 to record the only possible for the 300 yards. Best in B Grade was Adam Beale with a 49.7.



Jim Dixon guards the score board after shooting a 60.7

In F Standard B Grade, Anthony McKenna outshone the A Graders with a 58.2. The tight F Open competition continued, with Derry Crisp shooting a decisive 60.3 to win the range from Inverell's Flory Zabaks with a 58.5.

The end of day one saw Andrew Wilson (Narrabri) 149.22 leading Ben Picton (Mungindi) 149.16, with Ash Bidgood from Crows Nest third in A Grade. In B Grade Chris McKenzie was leading Andrew Geary by one point with 146.11. F Class standard A Grade saw the Bloomers doing battle with John leading Sue by one point, while in B Grade Chris Barnard from Wingham had a three point margin



Dennis Bidgood busy scoring

over Rob Bartlett. F Class Open remained tightly contested with Alex Eddy from Inverell scoring 177.17 to just hold off Derry Crisp from Armidale with 177.11.

Day two commenced in a flurry at 300 yards with the three of the contenders shooting possibles to start their day. Mike Chad from Port Macquarie won the range with a 50.8 followed by Andrew Wilson with a 50.6. In Target Rifle B Grade, Dennis Hilton shot a strong 50.5 to show up most of A Grade, closely followed by Andrew Geary 49.6. Daniel Galea shot a 59.6 to climb



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up the leader board in F Class A Grade while in B Grade Aaron Horder led the way with a 57.4.

In a defining stage in F Open Alex Eddy dropped three points in the 300 yard stage to shoot a 57.5 and leave the gate open for Derry Crisp to storm through with a 60.4.

Conditions became more difficult as the day progressed and shooters moved to 500 yards. A Grade saw the two front runners drop a point each with A Grade won by Ash Bidgood with 50.6, followed by Alistair Williams from Inverell with a 49.5. B Grade was a tight contest with Dennis Bidgood winning the stage with 49.4.

In F Standard A Grade Grant Smith continued to challenge, shooting a 59.4 while Rob Bartlett from Wingham did likewise in B Grade to keep A Grade honest.

In the enthralling F Open competition, Jim Dixon won the range with a 59.6 with Alex Eddy counted out on the same score; both shooters picking up a couple of valuable points on Derry Crisp.

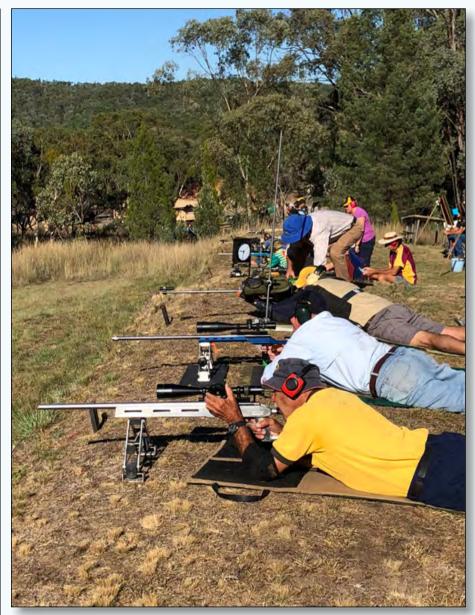
The final range of the day, 600 yards, was a make or break in most grades.

Ash Bidgood won the A Grade target rifle with a brilliant 50.8 over Andrew Wilson with 50.2 who gained another point over his rival Ben Picton. In target rifle B Grade Barry White from Wingham won with a 48.7 in his last trip to Inverell, so he keeps promising!

F Standard A Grade saw Grant Smith shoot 57.4 to edge out Daniel Galea while Bob Steel shot a strong 59.2 in B Grade to gain a couple of points over Rob Bartlett. Jim Dixon from Cannon Hill continued a stellar day to shoot a 60.7 in tough conditions to win by two points over John Peters.

The day two aggregates saw Ash Bidgood take the honours in A Grade with 150.16 over Andrew Wilson with 149.13. In B Grade Target David Morton (145.14) from Port Macquarie won over Dennis Hilton with 143.13, while Daniel Galea (Narromine-Dubbo) won the day with 174.9 over Grant Smith (Spring Ridge) in F standard A Grade. In B Grade Rob Bartlett

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Competitors on the 300 yard mound

from Wingham, who had shot consistently all day, won with 172.12, six centres up on Bob Steel. F Open saw Jim Dixon take the win with 178.20, three points up on Derry Crisp with 175.12.

The Grand Aggregates for the prize shoot saw very tight results. In A Grade, Andrew Wilson from Narrabri won with a score of 298.35 on what he called "a challenging little range". He was closely followed by Ash Bidgood with 297.31 and Ben Picton with 296.31. B Grade saw David Morton win with 289.25 over Dennis Hilton from Grafton with 288.25 and Andrew Geary from Wingham with 286.24. F Standard A Grade went to Daniel Galea with 344.20 to just pip Grant Smith with 344.16. F Standard B Grade was won by Robert Bartlett with 342.20 followed by Chris Barnard, also from Wingham, with 339.14.

The enthralling F Open competition saw the first three separated by one point. Derry Crisp from Armidale came out victorious with 352.23 followed by Jim Dixon (Cannon Hill) 351.35 and our own Alex Eddy with 351.35.

Inverell RSM Rifle Club would like to thank all the travellers who made the effort to attend our 71st Prize Shoot.

We would also like to take the opportunity to thank the local businesses who generously supported the championship and the club members who put in an awesome effort to run a great shoot.

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## Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet Annual Prize Shoot

### Written by Liz Wilson, photos by Murray Wilson

Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet Rifle Club held its annual 2018 prize shoot on Sunday October 7 following a great shoot on the previous day at the Herberton prize shoot. Numbers were very good, with 40 shooters across the six disciplines attending from various clubs ranging from Mossman to Bowen, Collinsville and Ayr, as well as all the Tableland ranges and Cairns. Some had to travel hard, making the miles from the Raglan shoot to Cairns. The day turned out to be very warm with temperatures in the low 30s and rapidly changeable and erratic winds. Well, if it was easy shooting, they'd all be doing it!

First range – 500 yards – started with ecstatic conditions and some of the scores reflected this. Some, not so lucky, were caught with later winds. Target Rifle 1 (TR1) was only divided by a point between first and third places between Bob Boulter (Atherton), Stephen Durham (Mareeba) and Mark Beecham



Target Rifle Division 1 winners (from left to right): Bob Boulter, Steve Durham, John Anderson (Ravenshoe Captain) and Dudley Ford.



F Standard Division 1 winners (from left to right): Travis Kohn, Wayne Swift, Peter Munro and John Anderson (Ravenshoe Captain).

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F Open winners (from left to right): David Stewart, Mark Azzopardi, Peter Burg and John Anderson (Ravenshoe Captain).

(Mareeba). Target Rifle 2 (TR2) was Rick Mischlewski (Mossman), Gary Moss (Atherton) one point behind and Frank Chester (Mareeba), two points behind. In F Standard 1 (FS1) there was hardly a super centre between first and third positions. Travis Kohn (Atherton) won with 60.7, Craig Matthews (Townsville) 60.5 and Charlie Lazarus (Cairns) 60.5. F Standard 2 (FS2) was taken out by John Mercer (Townsville) with a 57.4. Congratulations John coming back to competitive shooting and holding your own. "Mozzie" Williams (Mareeba) had a great 57.4, and Murray Wilson (Ravenshoe) nailed it for third with 57.3.

F Open was a very hotly contested field. North Queensland has some of our best F Open shooters, as shown in recent world championships. David Stewart (Herberton) showed he's to be reckoned with by recording a score of 60.7 from Marty Lobert (Cairns) 60.6. Mark Azzopardi (Cairns) was not to be outdone with a score of 60.4. There were some very interesting developments in the FTR scores. Joshua Cox, target rifle shooter from Cairns, decided to "sock 'em to the scopies" with an incredible score of 60.7. Steve Lazarus (Cairns) shot a 58.5, with Karl Vorderwinkler (Cairns) 58.2.

As the day progressed the wind became more erratic. Ravenshoe does not give shooters a perfect opportunity for long. Many suffered. At the first 600 yards TR1 was led by Stephen Durham with a 49.2. Bob Boulter 48.3 and Dudlev Ford (Mareeba) close behind with 48.2. In TR2 it was Frank Chester 49.5, Gary Moss 44.2 and Rick Mischlewski 41.2. Peter Munro (Townsville) prevailed over Travis Kohn and Bowen-Collinsville's Wayne Swift in FS1, while Dennis Russell (Cairns) beat Murray Wilson and John Mercer in a tight contest.

At the second 600 yards it was a trifecta for Mareeba shooters Dudley Ford who took the honours from Stephen Durham and Mark Beecham in TR1. Gary Moss, Frank Chester and Rick Mischlewski in TR2. Travis Kohn. Wavne Swift and Craig Matthews beat the field in FS1 and Dennis Russel, Lance Matthews (father of Craig) and Lynette Coupar (Cairns) did likewise in FS2. Cairns shooters Mark Azzopardi and Marty Lobert were first and third and with Howard Simpson (Avr) coming second in F Open. Looks like target rifle shooters are showing the 'scopies' how it's done with Jason Kuchel (Atherton) defeating Karl Vorderwinkler and Joshua Cox in FTR.

The final results were for some a God-send, for others not so good. In TR1 Stephen Durham showed home range advantage (although his club is Mareeba, he shoots most weeks at Ravenshoe). Dudley Ford proved he is a force to be reckoned with coming second and Bob Boulter coming third. In TR2 it was Frank Chester, Gary Moss and Rick Mischlewski.



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FTR winners (from left to right): Jason Kuchel, Karl Vorderwinkler and John Anderson (Ravenshoe Captain)

F Open finals were Mark Azzopardi 178.13, David Stewart 177.16 and Peter Burg (Atherton) 177.8.

The final aggregate scores for FTR were Karl Vorderwinkler 174.11, Joshua Cox 173.11 and Jason Kuchel 166.8.

Ravenshoe range presents some challenging conditions to shooters and we look forward to seeing more shooters testing their skills. The Ravenshoe/Mt Garnet Rifle Club appreciates all the support we get from our sponsor, Ravenshoe Hardware and thanks go to all the shooters who attended the competition. Special thanks also go to Paul Padgett who took on the Range Officer job for the entire competition, the markers who did a great job in very hot conditions and our catering team: Sandy Wood, Rebecca and Ashley Langley and Yvonne Burg.

Aggregate Results				
Ta	rget Rifle - A Grade			
1	Stephen Durham	Mareeba Qld	145.6	
23	Dudley Ford	Mareeba Qld	144.5	
3	Bob Boulter	Atherton Qld	142.11	
Target Rifle - B Grade				
1	Frank Chester	Mareeba Qld	139.10	
2 3	Gary Moss	Atherton Qld	139.9	
3	Rick Mischlewski	Mossman and District Qld	130.5	
F S	Standard - A Grade			
1	Travis Kohn	Atherton Qld 178.15		
2	Wayne Swift	Bowen-Collinsville Qld	173.11	
3	Peter Munro	Townsville Marksmen Qld	172.11	
F S	Standard - B Grade			
1	Dennis Russell	Cairns Qld 168.6		
2 3	John Mercer	Townsville Marksmen Qld	166.8	
3	Lance Matthews	Townsville Marksmen Qld	165.4	
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1	Mark Azzopardi	Cairns Qld	178.13	
2	David Stewart	Herberton Qld	177.16	
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# **Clermont Prize Meeting**

#### Article and photos by Margy Kerlin

There were a great number of shooters for the Clermont Open Prize Meeting in 2018. A total of 53 shooters enjoyed balmy conditions for the Clermont Rifle Club two-day meet, with 20 shooters staying on to contest the Billy Sing Marksman shoot on the Monday.

The Grand Aggregate winners were Jess Crawford in target rifle B Grade, Anthony Wilson target rifle A Grade, Nick Williamson F Standard A Grade, Gavin Williams target rifle C Grade, Miles Finger F Standard B Grade and Phil Bonaventura in F Open.



Winners were Grinners at the Clermont Rifle Club Billy Sing Marksman Shoot held in conjunction with the OPM



Clermont Aggregate winners



Clermont Group photo 2018

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## **Raglan - Central Queensland Championships**

## By Margy Kerlin and Ross Atherton

A total of 46 shooters supported the CQ Target Sports Central Queensland Championships held at the Raglan Range on the Queens Birthday weekend. Conditions were very challenging over the four days, with the mirage testing the skills and patience of all. Shooters ranging in age from 13 years to 86 years, travelled from all over Central, South East, North and Western Queensland and enjoyed the friendships, good times and laughs that getting together brings. The Committee would like to extend an invitation to all to join them for next year's competition.

#### Grand Aggregate Winners

Target Rifle A Grade - Anthony Wilson, Clermont

Target Rifle B Grade - Anne Chinnery, Marian

**Target Rifle C Grade** - Gavin Williams, Gemfields

**F Standard A Grade** - Jim Blomfield, Bowen Collinsville

**F Standard B Grade** - Wayne Swift, Bowen Collinsville

**FTR** - Frans Knox, Brisbane Rifle Club

F Open - Phil Bonaventura, Mackay



Frans Knox Grand Aggregate Winner in FTR receiving the award from Rodney Prayle QRA President



Rodney Prayle QRA President presenting Phil Bonaventura - first place in F Open



Raglan Group 2018 - Shooters, friends and family

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Shooters on the mound



Ross Atherton - Organiser and Administrator (Zoe Rolfe in foreground)



Youngest competitor Zoe Rolfe and Dad Darrin Rolfe with oldest competitor Ken McLachlan and Daughter Margy Kerlin



Clermont Rifle Club had a strong representation with 10 members competing

#### Victoria

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# Wodonga Long Range Shoot

#### By Ken Dyason

Blade Lacey showed that his recent elevation into the A Grade ranks of target rifle was no flash in the pan by cleaning up at the Wodonga long range shoot.

His winning score of 150.13 over three rounds at 900 yards gave him victory by three points from Victorian state team shooter David Black.

With some shooters away preparing for the WA Queens and state team competition, entries were maintained with new shooters attracted to the idea of a weekend of shooting with Wodonga on Saturday and the Wangaratta charity shoot on Sunday.

The 38 shooters enjoyed competition on the club's three HEXTA electronic targets. The 38 participants comprised six in target rifle A Grade, seven in B Grade and one in C Grade.

F Class was broken up into nine in A Grade, six in B, seven in Open and two in FTR.

Again, we provided one paper target for the first round to help those who did not have a 900 yards



A Grade target rifle winner Blade Lacey after his win



The apprentice turned the tables on the master at Tallangatta - Blade Lacey and Barry Wood

elevation. And again, we had some shooters who needed a bit of help to get on the target. Shooting was held in seven grades to provide all disciplines a go.

In B Grade target rifle Fred Guyatt of Karramomus edged out Ross Moyle of Wodonga, both with 142 out of 150.

Gary Mull was the only C Grade competitor and naturally won everything.

Local Bob Pedersen finished three points ahead of John Eland of Fitzroy/Caulfield in F Standard A Grade (177.12) and Warwick Sides of Ungarie won F Standard B with 173.9.

Ben Goodwin of Explorers dropped just one point in F Open, scoring 179.15 while Don Laughton of Lang Lang had another win in FTR with 171.9.



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The day was fine and sunny, with just enough wind changes to keep people on their toes.

Even our A Grade winner Blade Lacey was given a shock when his second sighter came up a magpie, but to his credit Blade settled down to score his third possible.

Nobody left the range hungry. Our catering crew under Colleen Morgan provided morning tea, hot lunch and afternoon tea. Lunch was again hot roast meat and spuds, with a range of salads followed by sweets. The meat was again provided by Cavanagh's Tallangatta Butcher (owned by our captain Greg Cavanagh). Everything was provided in the \$35 entry fee and included food for wives, girlfriends, kids etc.

#### **Results:**

A Grade: B Lacey (Maryborough) 150.13, D Black (Shepparton/ Nathalia) 147.16, A Maddison (Wodonga) 147.10, M Sewell (Wodonga) 146.15, G Sewell (Wodonga) 145.13, B Wood (Katandra) 145.11.

**B Grade:** F Guyatt (Karramomus) 142.12, R Moyle (Wodonga) 142.8, G Cavanagh (Wodonga) 141.12, P Diffey (Wangaratta) 141.10, R McRae (Warragul/Drouin) 138.12, T McRae (Mt Gambier) 134.10, A Benton (Wangaratta) 132.4).

C Grade: G Mull (Eskdale) 108.3.

F Standard A Grade: B Pedersen (Wodonga) 177.12, J Eland (Fitzroy/ Caulfield) 174.14, J Li (Shepparton/ Nathalia) 174.7, K Eland (Fitzroy/ Caulfield) 168.6, A Wright (Lang

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Lang) 167.6, G Crowe (Explorers) 165.7, K Epps (Nagambie) 162.9, M Jackman (Shepp/Nathalia) 161.11, B Powell (Wangaratta) 159.8.

**F Standard B Grade:** W Sides (Ungarie) 173.9, J Melbourne (Nagambie) 167.6, L Metzke (Karramomus) 159.4, M Powell (Wangaratta) 159.2, G Klopp (Wangaratta) 149.4, M Cevaal-Hewitt (Wodonga) 143.3.

**F Open:** B Goodwin (Explorers) 179.15, P Jonker (Wangaratta) 175.12, D George (Wangaratta) 174.12, D Jonker (Wangaratta) 172.11, S Tinkler (Shepp/Nathalia) 172.8, T Rhodes (Maryborough) 170.12, T Gee (ECDRA) 167.8.

**FTR:** D Laughton (Lang Lang) 171.9, M Kelly (ECDRA) 168.7.



Aggegate winners at the Tallangatta range - Don Laughton, Ben Goodwin, Blade Lacey, Bob Pedersen, Gary Mull, Warwick Sides and Fred Guyatt

#### **South Australia**

# **Maitland Rifle Club OPM**

#### By Greg Klopp

On the weekend of September 22 and 23, Maitland Rifle Club held its annual Leadup and Open Prize Meeting. The Saturday afternoon Leadup shoot was contested by 36 competitors, in near perfect conditions. This was initiated years ago to allow shooters to drive to the range Saturday morning and have a bit of a relaxing afternoon shoot. It has become more popular in recent years and this year we decided to shoot from 300 and 500, yards thus giving more room for camping and organising behind the 600 yard mound. It also helped on Sunday morning because everything and everyone were ready to go as the first shot was fired at 8:38am.

As many A Graders were shooting in the state team in Western Australia, Steven Thomas decided to enter in this grade to help even out the numbers. This proved a great decision as he shot a 98.6 out of 100 and was the top shooter in A Grade. David McDonald shot one better recording a 99.5 winning B Grade. And in C Grade. Lennu Wilkes came out on top shooting a 92.5. We also saw an F Open shooter give shooting with a sling a go. Well done Cameron. In F Class there were four disciplines shot. In F Standard A Grade, Richard Linton counted out Jason Nessling - both shooting 177.7 out of 120. In F Standard B Grade Willoughby Klopp picked up first badge, shooting the best two rounds and recording 112.6. In F Open Richard Braund didn't miss the six ring and produced a great score of 120.11 and in FTR Steve Wuttke was the top shooter with 118.9. There were also four juniors being coached by



#### **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**

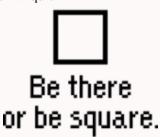
SARA would like to welcome the following new members: Angus Pointon and Matthew Pointon from Maitland; Jim Papageorgiou from Kapunda; David Clark from Pt Pirie; Riley Walker from Phoenix Target; Nicole Persic and Chris Tuck from Tumby Bay and Ian Hill from Mt Gambier.

#### 2019 Queens Date

The date for the 2019 Queens Series has changed.

It is now scheduled for July 3-7, 2019.

We are now taking bookings for accommodation and caravan sites so get in quick.



#### SARA STORE

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We are now stocking K and M Arbor press, Lab Radar, 21st Century neck turning tools and Wilson case trimmers and hand primers. Bill Naismith. They were practicing, as they are headed to Canberra in a week's time to compete in the Junior F Class competition. Good luck guys.

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

The weather on the Sunday for the OPM was overcast, so therefore cooler, with a gentle to moderate south easterly blowing. An extra 13 shooters arrived for the day, making a total of 49 competitors for the shoot. The Silver Mountain electronic target system worked very well. The only problem was due to a couple of batteries going flat. There were seven disciplines shot: 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 in A Grade Peter Collins shot a 49.5 which was just in front of Jeff Dayman on 49.4. The only possible in target rifle was from Graham Hancock with a 50.6 which won him the B Grade. Lenny Wilkes was the best in C Grade with 48.3. In F Standard A Grade, Jason Nessling 60.6 just pipped Trevor Wilkes 60.5 for the win and in F Standard B Grade, Chris Tucker shot the best with a 58.5. In F Open there were six possibles shot and the best was from Bob Savage with a 60.7. In FTR four out of the five competitors shot possibles. Mick Punti shot eight X's in his round and therefore won the range.

As the shooters moved back to the club house situated at the 600 yard mound, the 500 yard aiming marks were replaced with 600 yard ones and shooting continued. 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 moderate south easterly breeze was creating some



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havoc by the middle of the day as only two possibles were shot at the first 600 yards.

Peter Collins once again took out the A Grade with a 48.2 and Bill Pryde counted out Graham Hancock, both on 48.4, to win B Grade. In C Grade Lenny Wilkes once again took home the trophy with a 45.2. In F Standard A Grade. Richard Linton was the best with a 57.4 while in F Standard B Grade, Bill Gillis had the highest score shooting a 57.2. In F Open Richard Braund must have had a nice patch of weather, shooting an impressive 60.8 and in FTR young Caleb Hancock shot the only other possible, a 60.5.

The second 600 yards started again once the last shooters had finished on each target. The wind was still being tricky as only one possible was shot for this range. In A Grade Jeff Dayman shot better than Peter Collins, this time shooting a 48.3 but it wasn't enough to catch Peter overall, with Peter winning A Grade over Jeff by one V bull. Chris McDermott put in a fine shoot at 600 yards, a 49.5, but he needed the lot to catch Graham Hancock in B Grade. Graham took the win by one point over Chris. In C Grade Nathan Tucker had a great shoot recording a 48.4. But Lenny Wilkes's consistent shooting all day saw him take out the grade. In F Standard A Grade. Chris Thornton counted out Trevor Wilkes at the second 600 yards, both shooting a 57.4, but the aggregate went to Richard Linton with 173.9. In F Standard B Grade, young Zach Naismith dropped his last shot but still won the range with a 59.3. Bill Gillis managed to hold off the rest of the F Standard B Graders to take out the aggregate with 171.8. Danny Blackmore shot the only possible at the second 600 yards in F Open a 60.3 - with Richard Braund hot on his heels with 59.5. Richard dropped his last shot at this range but he still had enough to take the aggregate with 179.18. This last shot was the only shot he had missed all weekend. Terrific shooting Richard. In FTR, Mick Punti once again shot the best round at the second 600 yards, a 59.4. This was also enough



John Bradshaw, brother of Phillip Bradshaw and son of the late Frank Bradshaw -presenting the Frank Bradshaw shield to winner Mick Punti

to see Mick win the aggregate over Caleb Hancock by three X's.

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. This year it was won by Mick Punti with a score of 39.5. All other results are on the NRAA website.

Before presentations commenced, Captain Greg Klopp welcomed all life members and patrons. He also thanked all the trophy sponsors. Greg then thanked Sarah and all the ladies for their hard work, leading up to and over the whole

weekend preparing all the food; the cooks on the barbie; and the members running the bar; Les Klopp for supplying the ice; and all other members who helped prepare for the weekend. The Number 4&5 DRA SARA medals were awarded. They go to the highest scoring shooter in target rifle, F Standard and F Open. They were awarded to Peter Collins, Bill Gillis and Bob Savage. Also, the Frank Bradshaw medal is awarded to the top B or C Grader in target rifle. This was won by Michael Dayman. Special thanks go to club secretary, Steven Thomas, for organising a terrific array of trophies and obtaining sponsorship. Greg and Steven then presented all the trophies before wishing everyone a safe trip home.

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#### Obituary

## Mervyn London 1934 - 2018

#### Eulogy of Merv London – written by Peter MacGinley

My names Peter MacGinley, I'm Merv's nephew, and I'm glad to be able to say a few words today about my uncle's life.

I've known Merv since the first day of my life. On that day in 1949, Merv came to visit my mother and I at the Rockhampton Mater. My mother was Merv's sister, Marie. Merv was boarding at the Rockhampton Grammar School at the time and when he heard the news of my arrival he took off for the hospital. Merv told me in recent years he got into trouble that day for leaving the school without permission, but I don't think it worried him too much. Merv was more interested in seeing his new nephew.

Merv was born on June 16, 1934 and was the youngest of five surviving children – Lucy was the oldest, then came twin girls, Marie (who was my mother) and Betty, followed by Terry, then Neville, who tragically died as a toddler, then Merv.

Merv's parents were Alf and Alice London and they had a property called Berbeth Downs, outside Capella on the Emerald road.

Merv was a good sportsman at school and even played in the same tennis team as "The Rockhampton Rocket", Rod Laver, probably the greatest tennis player ever. I don't know if Merv ever beat Rod, but at least they played in the same team. Merv returned to Capella in 1949 after completing Junior (or Year

after completing Junior (or Year 10 as it is now called) and worked as a ringer and horse breaker for a number of years. When Merv was about 19 he was working on my family's then property, Carnemore, outside Capella. I can remember that time vividly even though I was only four or five, because Merv would upset my life every time I got a haircut. After I had a haircut I used to like rubbing my hands up the sides and back of my hair feeling how sharp the bristles were and Merv would come along and



quickly rub his hands over my head and say he'd bluntened my hair and I would believe him. After a couple of haircuts, I learned to tie my hat on hard around Merv.

Merv kept up his involvement with sport during this time, playing football and cricket for Capella and later Clermont. In 1954, aged 20, he played in the Clermont team which won the A Grade Leichhardt Rugby League Premiership. Four years later Merv broke his ankle playing football and he decided to hang up his boots but quickly took up rifle shooting. I'll come back to rifle shooting in a minute.

In 1954, Merv got a job with Gordon Ross' GR Motors in Clermont and he eventually went on to buy a share of the business. He sold his share in 2004 having been with GR Motors for 50 years. Merv's other business interest was the Grand Hotel which he and two other partners bought in 1974 and operated for about 10 years.

On May 19, 1979 Merv's bachelor days came to an end when he married Pam Ison and they settled in Clermont. He took to married life well and he and Pam had two children James and Becky who are married to Angela and Ted, and there are now three grandchildren: Caitlyn, Myles and Bailey. Pam and Merv were married almost 39 years which is a good achievement in today's society.

Anybody who knew Merv knew that rifle shooting was his great sporting love and he was very good at it. The highlight of his career came in 1971 when he top-



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scored for the Australian team at the Palmer International Match in America. His score, 223 out of 225, was the highest ever for an Aussie shooter and this record will never be erased because the next year the scoring system changed and the names of the record holders under the old system will remain forever. In 2004, the Governor General awarded Merv the Australian Sports Medal for his contribution to rifle shooting in Central Queensland.

Some of you might remember, or even backed a racehorse called Derby Drill which raced for a few years around Central Queensland. Merv owned Derby Drill and he got a lot of pleasure out of watching him race and hopefully he made a few dollars betting on him. Hopefully some of you did too.

Merv's health began to deteriorate a few years ago which slowed him down quite a bit and he regretted not being able to travel to Brisbane for the funerals of his brother and two of his sisters during his illness.

Merv was a good bloke in the best sense of the word. He cared deeply about his family and was very proud of his children and his grandchildren. He was always ready to give a hand even if he was busy himself and he was always grateful for what people did for him. His word was his bond – if Merv shook hands on something there was never any need to have it in writing.

We will miss you Merv.

#### Extract from 2008 Queensland Veteran Rifle Shooters Inc. report -M.A. Skelton

#### **VETERANS TOAST LONDON**

Super Veteran Merv London was the toast of the Queensland Veteran Rifle shooters team following a string of victories in North Queensland Rifle Associations Queens series last May.

Merv, 73, from Clermont, in Central Queensland, proved once again he was the quiet achiever and showed he was still no slouch with a target rifle. His B Grade scores in the Stevens-Griffiths pipe-opener, Queens and grand aggregate were all good enough to win A Grade badges in those matches.

A competitor for more than 50



years, mostly as an A Grader, he did not compete with QVR last year because of health reasons but he made up for lost ground this year.

His scores were of A Grade quality and that is where he will be for the next years, after winning the Stevens-Griffiths match by three centres with an upgrading 197.19, Queens by seven points (394.38) and grand by nine points (591.57).

It did not end there. He was second in the Queens first stage (147.13) losing it in a shoot-off with John Aldrich of Victoria; won the second stage (148.16) from under-25 Jordan Pyne, of Townsville; and second in the third stage (99.9) to fellow teammate, John Alexander, of Goondiwindi.

He does not travel as far these days but enjoys competing with his mates as a member of QVR, the official state veteran team, and has not lost the qualities which won him places in Australian, State and Palma teams. He shot for Australia in the Palma at Camp Perry, Ohio, USA, in 1971 and although Australia did not win he was Australia's top scorer with 223.23 with scores of 75.11, 74.6 and 74.6 over 800, 900 and 1000 yards. In the national veterans Don Cook Match, he was fourth highest scorer with 198.16.

#### Message from Paul Kerlin -QRA Zone 4 Councillor

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Merv held a position as an executive officer of the Clermont Rifle Club for in excess of 25 years. He assisted many shooters, scope and target rifle, with the challenge of achieving their 'best' and some following in Merv's footsteps, shooting for Queensland and Australia.

I was fortunate to spend time with Merv a few days before his passing and though gravely ill, he spoke fondly of days on Rifle Ranges with old mates, and could recall many names and scores.

Merv London was a Life Member of The Clermont Rifle Club, Patron of the Central Highlands District Rifle Association and a champion of long distance rifle shooting. RIP Merv.

#### **Shooting Around**

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#### ACT

November 14-18 ACT Open Championships Queens

#### NEW SOUTH WALES

 November

 3-4
 North Shore DRA 2 day OPM

 10-11
 Coffs Harbour Rifle Club Field/Rimfire OPM

 14-18
 ACT Open Championships Queens

 December
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 Lithqow Rifle Club OPM

QUEENSLAND

#### December

 [TBA]
 Darling Downs Rifle Club PM

 8-9
 Raglan Christmas Shoot

#### NORTH QUEENSLAND

#### November 3 C&IDRA PM

4 Mossman and District PM

#### 2019

 May
 TMRC & TDRA Prize Meeting

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 TMRC & TDRA Prize Meeting

 15-16
 NQRA Wilson

 17-19
 NQRA Queens

 21-22
 Veterans Team Matches

#### SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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Noven	nber			
3	No. 1 DRA OPM	(Lower Light)		
4	East v West	(Lower Light)		
4	SARA AGM	(Lower Light)		
25	Match Rifle	(Lower Light)		
Decen	nber			
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April				
25	Father and Sons	(Mt Barker)		
May				
18-18	Pt Augusta OPM	(Pt Augusta)		
July				
3-7	SARA Queens	(Lower Light)		
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VRA Queens

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#### **WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

November		
3-4	Busselton Service Rifle	
10	WARA Council Meeting	
11	City of Subiaco Prize Meeting	



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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.

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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.

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