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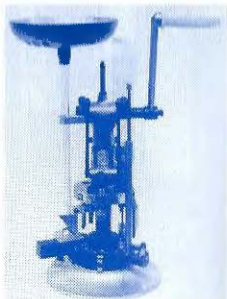
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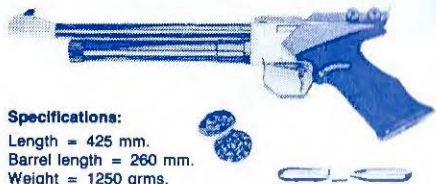


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EDITORIAL
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HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU ENTERED AN OPEN COMPETITION, GOT A PLACING AND GONE HOME WITH "ANOTHER" GONG. WHAT DO YOU DO WITH THAT MEDALLION, PLACE IT ON THE MANTLE PIECE OR STOW IT AWAY IN A BOX OR DRAWER ? MANY PUT IT IN THE LATTER TWO, OTHERS MAY DISPLAY IT FOR A YEAR & THEN...

NOT BEING CRITICAL OF CLUBS WHO PROVIDE THESE TROPHIES BUT MAYBE IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE. SOME CLUBS DO PROVIDE PRIZES THAT ARE USEFUL FOR THE SHOOTER, BE IT AMMUNITION, DRINKING GLASSES, CANONS OR EVEN WINE.

COSTS THESE DAYS ARE ALWAYS LOOKED AT WHEN HOLDING AN OPEN AND THE PURCHASING OF MEDALLIONS AND ENGRAVING IS NOT CHEAP ANYMORE. WITH SO MANY SHOOTERS BEING HELD THROUGHOUT THE YEAR A COMPETITOR BE IT IN ANY GRADE CAN BRING HOME MANY GONGS OVER THE YEAR. THE TOP B TO M GRADE SHOOTERS THESE DAYS ARE LOOKING FOR WINNING & PERSONEL BEST SCORES RATHER THAN MEDALLIONS, SO A USEFUL GIFT OR PRODUCT MAKES IT THAT LITTLE BIT MORE GRATIFYING AT PRESENTATION TIME.

MANY OF YOU OUT THERE MAY HAVE WONDERED WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE. QUITE SIMPLY, NOBODY WANTED TO CONTRIBUTE, SO INSTEAD OF ME PRODUCING AN ISSUE FULL OF UNINTERESTING MATERIAL IT WAS DECIDED TO MAKE IT A 3 ISSUE A YEAR MAGAZINE, THIS WILL MEAN A NOVEMBER, MARCH & JULY PUBLICATION.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR THE MARCH PUBLICATION WILL BE FEBRUARY 1ST, I WILL ACCEPT CONTRIBUTIONS NOW FOR THE NEXT ISSUE AS THE MARCH PUBLICATION MUST BE POSTED BEFORE EASTER SO THE SOONER I GET ARTICLES THE BETTER.

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SALLY.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
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The Editor
Vic Pistol News
P.O. Box 44
SOUTH CAULFIELD 3162

Dear Sally,

Firstly I would like to congratulate you for the production of the magazine which has been excellent since you took it over.

Secondly, I must take this opportunity to express my concern at the more than questionable action taken recently by the VAPA Team Selection Sub Committee and Executive in placing a 3 year ban from State team Activities on Geoff Horton. Geoff has been an active member of the Team for over 12 years and has devoted many hours to coaching and support of fellow Team members, both before and during National Championships.

Having known him for over 10 years, I find the accusation that he did anything at the Nationals in Sydney to affect Team morale, totally preposterous. This has been confirmed by other Team members to whom I have spoken.

It would appear that he has been the victim of a meeting, that at best could only be described as a "Kangaroo Court", given that he was not present; has not been informed of the specific allegations nor the supposed regulations which have been contravened; or given the right of response to his accusers.

The VAPA Executive it seems has sunk to the level of the Australian Swimming Union, The English Cricket Board and other amateur bodies who have gained public notoriety through their self-aggrandizing actions which have ultimately brought ridicule and denigration to their respective sports.

My understanding was that the VAPA was a democratic organization, but the action by the VAPA hierarchy in this instance appears little more than a crude form of censorship and dictatorship.

I trust the VAPA will prove me wrong by granting Geoff the natural justice to which he is entitled, and be allowed to face the accusing body which placed the ban and I call upon the members of the Team to support Geoff, as it was in their interests on which he commented.

My regards,

Henry Barker

THE V.A.P.A.- WHO ARE THEY 1988-89
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THE NRA ACTION MATCHES BIANCHI CUP

To all you avid American Handgunner readers Fowler, Campbell, Leatham, Pride, Gilmore & Enos mean one thing Bianchi Cup and competing for a prize pool of \$200,000.00 US. So what you may ask. Well now shooters in Australia may get a share of the prize pool thanks to the NRA and APSUA.

NOW FOR SOME BACKGROUND

The current status of the Bianchi Cup (or NRA Action Matches) is that these have been approved by the APSUA, and are under current consideration for implementation by the VAPA. A special study group consisting of Neil Jones, Bob Lester, Jim Facey and Brian Kilpatrick (assisted by Clive Whelan as National delegate) will be preparing implementation recommendations for submission to the VAPA. In the meantime you must not attempt to shoot Bianchi Cup matches until such time as your range has been approved by the Technical Director and appropriate range staff who have been qualified by the VAPA. Neither of these procedures is expected to be unduly complex or particularly time consuming, but in the interests of our insurance and safety factors nobody must "jump the gun" and place the longer term future of these matches at risk.

Clubs interested in the conduct of Bianchi Cup matches should contact any of the above for additional information and background advice to enable you to make sensible preparations leading to its introduction. The following notes detail a few salient factors which are under consideration by the above group as some early thoughts for your consideration. DO NOT INTERPRET THESE AS THE FINAL POSITION.

We are intending to hold some seminars, introducing you to the match with the aid of videos, printed hand-outs and practical demonstrations. At these meetings we will give advise on the types of equipment, pistols and ammunition used in these matches, so don't rush out and buy holsters etc, as these may not be suitable and a waste of money.

THE MATCHES

There are thirteen matches in Bianchi Cup. Of these matches the Falling Plate, the Mover and the Barricade events are always included in the actual Bianchi Cup match together with one other event. The Speed

Event is usually conducted as a separate demonstration match.

All matches are shot from the holster and all are contested on the basis of either a fixed number of precision shots in a specified time or conversely a number of scoring shots in the shortest possible time. Put simply, the matches represent a combination of ISU, Service Match and Practical pistol shooting techniques.

THE TARGETS

Essentially three basic targets are used in the Action Matches, these being: 1. The tombstone target.

2. The falling plates.

3. The steel speed plates.

It should be noted that the tombstone target is cut from plain cardboard with scoring rings embossed or printed in feint outline, such that it is not visible to the shooter, but is available for scoring purposes. The falling plates are manufactured in banks of six. The number of banks provided mainly being determined by the comfortable conduct of the match on any given range. The moving target event is shot using the tombstone target.

INTERNATIONAL STATUS

A prime reason for the introduction of Bianchi Cup is the "International status" such that our shooters can compete for international and world events. This will be considered a prime factor by both APSUA and the VAPA in establishing the degree of compliance with international rules, ie. International conditions will be closely preserved in the introduction of this match in Australia. This is important if we are to benefit from both Australian shooters competing overseas and the ability to arrange for overseas competitors of high standing to visit Australia and compete. It does not mean that all Australian ranges must be constructed to full international standards.

THE RANGES

The above Committee will examine in detail practical ways of implementing the new matches on our existing ranges such that they can be jointly used by ISU, Service Match, IPSC and NRA Action Match events at minimal additional expense. For ranges approved for Service Match, it appears quite likely that all events including the mover could be installed and shot on a fairly standard range configuration. Some practical difficulties may exist on individual ranges where baffling has been specified or where restrictions in the spent bullet fallout area prevent the movement of the shooter around the range. Under these

conditions it may be difficult to implement some events safely whilst presenting reasonable shooting conditions. However, most of the new matches do not require expensive range, target or timing equipment.

THE GUNS

There are few restrictions on the guns and any pistol shot in Centre Fire, Service Match, Practical Pistol or many other "fun guns" could be used to compete in this match. The use of optical sighting apparatus, such as Aim Points and Mark IVs are generally permitted, although on some occasions, sponsors have restricted matches and particular events to open sights or optical sights etc. It is interesting to note that most of the winning contenders in the USA compete with optical sighted revolvers. As speed reloading is not a serious factor, there is little, if any, advantage in using automatic pistols, and the ease at mounting optical sights appears to favour the use of revolvers.

THE HOLSTERS

There are few real restrictions on the holster, these being similar to the existing holster matches in Practical Pistol and Police & Service matches. In summary:

- Shoulder holsters are not permitted.
- No tied down holsters.
- Holsters must have gun butt level with the belt - separate gun belts not permitted.
- Open front, cross draw and "break front" holsters permitted. ↗
- Must secure the gun for a jump from a 16" step (where safety straps are used here, these must be used throughout the match).
- Same holster and holster position throughout the match.

The Committee is also considering the introduction of a holster proficiency test similar to that used in Practical Pistol and Police & Services to ensure basic firearms safety and pistol proficiency before a shooter will be permitted to draw a loaded pistol from a holster under match conditions. The objective here will be safety, not shooting skills, and it will not be so restrictive that new shooters at lower levels will be unable to use a holster. Unapproved shooters will commence from the "ready position" as currently adopted.

ENTRY CONDITIONS

In introducing Bianchi Cup during the first 12 months (whilst some experience is gained with the conduct of the match) it will probably be restricted to reasonably competent shooters. Again the objective is safety rather than shooting skill. Typical conditions might be:

- owner of a Centre Fire gun 12 months; or
 - C-grade or higher in any Centre Fire event using a Centre Fire gun; or
 - completion of the holster proficiency test; or
 - special endorsement by the Chief Range Officer or Safety Officer.
- or perhaps some combination of the above.

It is particularly important that the match is introduced in a disciplined manner and does not bring adverse public, Police or official reaction or comment. Above all it must be introduced in a manner reflective of our current high safety standards.

THE GRADING SYSTEM

The latest versions of the NRA rules received from overseas now include a grading system and it is quite likely that this would be accepted as the basis of the Australian grading system. U.S. gradings are Master(96-100%), Expert(90-95.9%), Sharp Shooter(80-89.9%), and Marksman(below80%).

AMMUNITION

The minimum calibre is 9mm. A Power Factor determined by the multiplication of bullet weight in grains x velocity in feet per second = 120,000 must be attained. It is not necessary to use heavy or magnum loads as falling plates and speed plates are calibrated to fall when hit in a reasonable position from ammunition of this Power Factor. The same ammunition must be used for all events. Very heavy loads may in fact disadvantage the shooter on falling plate events where hit plates may bounce back-up and thus not be scored.

VAPA BIANCHI CUP,
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PLUG GAUGING OF DOUBTFUL SHOT HOLES

It is apparent after watching many members, both qualified and unqualified, attempting to plug gauge a bullet hole for the purpose of scoring, that procedures vary and at times leave the competitor in doubt as to what is taking place. The following procedure is to be used by any member given the task of scoring, whether the competition be it at Open, State Title or even Club Shoot:

After detecting a bullet hole very close to the demarkation line, a plug gauge is inserted in same and left there. If the gauge kisses the line (i.e. there isn't any black between the edge of the gauge and the white demarkation line) the competitor is given the higher score. If there is black visible between the edge of the gauge and the demarkation line, the competitor obviously receives the lesser score.

If the scorer is in doubt, he calls a second person to adjudicate. If both people agree then that score shall be given to the competitor. If they disagree then a third person will be called. This will give a 2 to 1 decision and that decision shall be the resulting score.

The use of the plug gauge is to be as per the following: A single gauge is inserted in the bullet hole (do not have other items including extra gauges hanging from the gauge when inserted). If the score is considered to be higher then scorer will call the score and then remove the gauge. If the score is to be lesser then the scorer will get a second person to confirm that the shot is out and then call the score, the last thing that should happen is that the plug gauge will be removed from the hole.

The reason that a single gauge only is to be inserted into the hole is that if a shot hole is close to the 10 ring at 12 o'clock and a gauge is inserted in the hole (with other gauges hanging from same) then the additional weight could tilt the gauge downwards causing the 9 to become a 10, and should the same occur a 6 o'clock then a possible 10 could become a 9.

SKID GAUGES

Using a skid gauge the two important things to at are: That the hole only is to be measured, i.e. the exact opening in the target that is visible from the left hand side to right side. The hole is determined on the right hand side by the start of the concertina of paper. This concertina of paper is not to be included in the measuring gauge. The

skid gauge is then placed below the bullet hole in the target and is measured from left to right.

We intend to utilise this column to advise all competitive pistol shooters of procedure in all competitions shot under VAPA control. The next issue will cover Free Pistol & Air Pistol.

STARTING TIME OF THE COMPETITION

When you receive advise re starting time, the time shown is when the command load is given (sighting series). Prior to this time you are permitted to occupy your bay for 10 minutes or 3 minutes depending on the match.

WILL EASTMURE,
DIRECTOR - VAPA
REFEREE COUNCIL.

ATTENTION!!!!!!!!!!ATTENTION!!!!!!!!!!ATTENTION!!!!!!!!!!ATTENTION!!!!!!!!!!

THE INTRODUCTION OF THE 'NEW' RAPID FIRE (DUELLING) TARGET WILL BE USED IN ALL UIT MATCHES FROM 1st JANUARY 1989.(SERVICE PISTOL & BLACK-POWDER WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE MID-TERM MEETING). THIS MEANS THAT IT WILL BE USED FOR THE NATIONALS IN CANBERRA.



THIS IS THE PHOTO THAT WAS OVERLOOKED ON PAGE 27 FROM THE JUNE ISSUE.
A SIMPLE ERROR BY THE PLATEMAKER. I SAY NO MORE!

MID - MURRAY PISTOL COMPETITION
QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY WEEKEND JUNE -1988
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The Mid-Murray Pistol Club hosted the annual Queen's Birthday Weekend UIT Competition where 68 members from various clubs attended.

Upon arrival at the range, certain improvements were noticed. To those members who have previously attended Mid-Murray, the main topic has always been the outhouse. In true country traditional style, the outhouse was often a nightmare for the intending visitors. This year a new complex had been constructed by club members, which not only boasts running water but also electric light !!

On Saturday evening a function was held at Murray Downs Station. All those attending had a very enjoyable night at the shearers' quarters. The evening prompted the telling of past tales, many untrue, of the prowess of certain members present.

The usual Sunday evening barbeque and camp fire night was well attended with the only problem being the modernised toilet system - it failed. Ho-hum, back to the old system. It was pleasing to see so many visitors jump in with shovels and assist in rectifying the problem, which again shows the comradeship between the members. A Mid-Murray member donated a 20lb Murray Cod for the main prize in the raffle (the fish had been frozen). The only concern shown on the night was that if a Melbourne shooter had won same, how the devil were they going to get it home. The camp fire is the highlight of the Mid-Murray shoot and it is amazing when you listen to some of the stories unfold during the course of the evening. One able-bodied man, wielding an axe on the evening, was later described as having the ability to be a brain surgeon. (I found this hard to agree with at the time.) The meal provided was excellent and this of course included fresh rabbit stew.

The Oakleigh Pistol Club members who attended the shoot all remarked on the easy style and relaxed atmosphere. It is obvious they will return again next year.

Monday morning saw the sun appear and I noticed bodies still huddled around the camp fire. Could they have been there all night????

Also noted on this day was the lacklustre performance of the three attending Referees in B grade Centrefire. What happened fellahs ?? Could'nt you find the doubles ???

cont.

This year's competition saw a .38 Taurus revolver donated by Will Eastmure to the highest break of grade in any competition. The winner was Greg Beswick(Melton) with a score of 519 in Mens Air Pistol, which broke grade by 19 points.

Aggregate Champion. This title was won for the second time by that well known Melton shooter Barry Robertson, with a score of 2,595, and followed closely by Long John Gray from Castlemaine with a score of 2,571.

At the completion of the day's shooting the President, Kevin Cottingham expressed his thanks for the members attending the Open and cordially invited everyone back for the 1989 shoot.

MID-MURRAY = A PLACE TO VISIT, A PLACE TO REMEMBER.

WILL EASTMURE.



Will Eastmure presents Greg Beswick with the .38 Taurus that he won for the highest grade break over the 3 days.

COLLEEN LONG FROM THE YARRA PISTOL CLUB AT A RECENT OPEN THAT WAS HELD AT HER CLUB. COLLEEN HAS ONLY BEEN SHOOTING FOR JUST OVER 12 MONTHS. IT JUST GOES TO SHOW YOU THAT ONE CAN START PISTOL SHOOTING AT ALMOST ANY AGE.



RODNEY HORTON OF THE ANZ PISTOL CLUB, ANOTHER OF OUR UP & COMING JUNIORS WHO HAS BEEN PUTTING IN SOME PROMISING SCORES.

DOT LEE WITH CHERYL (behind the target) AT THE YARRA PISTOL CLUB, ALEX EAGLE(behind) IS OBVIOUSLY FROWNING FOR SOME REASON, WHAT WAS IT FOR ALEX??





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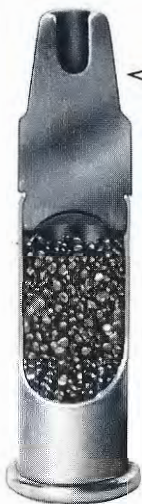
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TEMPORARY - 3.

Sgt Bob Birney joined the Pistol Registry in 1967 after 14 years of active duties within the Police Force, before being offered an inside posting which he gladly took on.

Sgt Birney looks back on when the VAPA used to be a once a month movement which saw membership of 41 per month grow to a now strong 100 per month, and suprisingly the return of some former VAPA members.

His department unfortunately is understaffed at the present time, and he reflects on when Pistol Licences used to be written out at about 20 per day 5 years ago. Now his staff are flat to the boards all day every day processing Licences for Club Members, Collectors, Gundealers & Security Officers.

Paper warfare is the main problem to some delays with licences and this is because that for every new VAPA member, he or she generates up to 6-8 pieces of paper in the first 12 months from joining. During a 4 month period when most Club renewals are due the department has the task of writing out about 125 licences per working day for the current VAPA membership. Now that's a lot of paperwork!! Full credit to you Bob and George, and your staff at Central Pistol Registry.



INSIDE PISTOL REGISTRY.



SGT BOB BIRNEY

THE 1988 INTER CLUB POSTAL FINALS

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This year 31 Clubs entered a total of 204 teams for the 1988 Inter Club Postal Competition.

THE RESULTS WERE:

FREE PISTOL

YARRA...2058 / MISC...2021 / COPC...2019 / C'MAINE...1950.

RAPID FIRE

MISC...2308 / YARRA...2247 / PENINSULA...2207 / C'MAINE...2193.

CENTRE FIRE

MISC...2268 / YARRA...2239 / MAPC...2228 / COPC...2198.

STANDARD PISTOL

MISC...2134 / MAPC...2126 / YARRA...2907 / COPC...2076.

AIR PISTOL 60

YARRA...2214 / MISC...2202 / COPC...2177 / BENDIGO...2143.

AIR PISTOL 40

COPC A ...1405 / YARRA...1380 / COPC B ...1256 / BENDIGO...1245.

SPORT PISTOL-WOMEN

YARRA...1638 / COPC...1635 / MAPC...1605 / MISC...1561.

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BLACKPOWDER 50m

MISC...1004 / YARRA...947 / COPC...943 / KERANG.. 939.

BLACKPOWDER 25m

YARRA...1090 / KERANG...1043 / C'MAINE...1035 / COPC...1015.

This year H & C VANETTEN manufactures of Bullzi Projectiles and NEVILLE SAYERS of Precision Guns & Ammo sposed the weekly posting of the result sheets that went out to Club Captains.



JUNIORS FROM MISC JOSH BURMAN & ANDY GONCZOL, WITH THEIR SHIELD FOR WINNING SPORT PISTOL JMRS. THEIR AVERAGE SCORE WAS 569! WELL DONE BOYS. KEEP THEM SCORES COMING!

THE WINNING TEAM FOR THE YARRA PISTOL CLUB IN THE SERVICE PISTOL U/R MATCH. TONY NEWMAN, JIM FACEY, PETER (AGAIN) BUTCHER, CLIVE WILLIAMS.



BLACKPOWDER 25M. JOHN MITCHELL, JOE FURNARI, ALEX EAGLE. AVERAGE SCORE FOR THESE GUYS WAS 363.



ASSOCIATE MEMBER OF MISC
GUS MERCURIO TURNED UP
DURING THE POSTAL FINALS
TO LEND A HAND.
IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO SEE
GUS AROUND THE RANGES.

CLUB CAPTAIN OF YARRA
PETER BUTCHER HARD AT
WORK LOOKING AFTER HIS
TEAM MEMBERS.

YARRA CLAIMED 6 SHIELDS,
5 SECONDS & 1 THIRD OVER
THE 2 WEEKENDS OF POSTAL
FINALS .



VAPA EXECUTIVE MEMBER &
YARRA CLUB TEAM MEMBER
ALEX EAGLE GETTING READY
FOR HIS NEXT EVENT AT
THE UIT POSTAL FINALS
HELD AT MISC.



WINNERS OF THE FREE PISTOL
SHIELD. PETER BUTCHER,
JOHN MITCHELL,
ALEX LIGETI,
FRANK UNSWORTH.
THE TEAM HAD AN AVERAGE
SCORE OF 514.

THE WINNERS OF THE WOMEN'S
SPORT PISTOL EVENT:

HELEN LIGETI,
CHERYL LEE,
DENISE KIRK.



CAMERA SHY TEAM MANAGERS
BOB GELLATLY & PETER (YES,
I'M SMILING) BUTCHER.



MEN'S AIR PISTOL WINNERS.
WITH AN AVERAGE SCORE OF
553.

JOHN MITCHELL,
JOHN GILLMAN,
ALEX LIGETI,
FRANK UNSWORTH.

9MM / 45 AUTO SHOOT - MELTON 27TH AUGUST, 1988
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On 27th August 1988 Melton Pistol Club held the first 9mm/45 Auto competition in Victoria run to Service Match Rules. More than 40 people from throughout the State enjoyed a day of competition in a very friendly atmosphere. Prizes were donated by Club members and Bob Jane T-Mart of Footscray. There were 11 prizes in all, with winners having the pick of the table.

Paul McCarter of MISC won outright with a score of 835. He also won the nominated score event, being only 3 off his nominated score. Shoot-offs had to be conducted to decide final placings of 3rd, 4th & 5th as well as 8th and 9th. Clive Denzil-Williams donated Garden Gnomes (seconds) which were shot at from 50 metres, unsupported, to decide these important final positions. The shoot-off nearly had to be abandoned because the wife of a prominent Melton shooter (she is also a well known shooter) started a "Save the Gnomes" petition. Fortunately this failed to get the necessary support. However the Gnomes were blind folded !!.

The shoot was such a success that it was unanimously agreed that the same shoot should be held in 1989. the 3rd September has tentatively been suggested. It is most likely many more shooters will make the effort to compete because of the success of this first competition.

BOB MELDRUM-MELTON.

PLACE

1	Paul McCarter	MISC	45	835	838	3	
2	Aileen Tate	SSPC	45	750	760	10	
3	Peter Gamble	B'RAT	45	780	768	12]	
4	Greg Beswick	MELTON	9mm	700	712	12]	s/off
5	Jeff Millar	SSPC	9mm	650	662	12]	
6	Rob Leetham	C'MAINE	45	700	684	16	
7	Col Hancock	MELTON	45	835	818	17	
8	Neil Stewart	MELTON	45	590	572	18]	
9	Col Repacholi	MELTON	45	750	732	18]	s/off
10	Bob Meldrum	MELTON	45	785	763	22	
11	Kaelene Blake	MELTON	9mm	715	741	26	
12	Ed Evans	MELTON	45	800	773	27	
13	Tony Newman	YARRA	9mm	850	823	27	
14	Geoff Schmidt	MELTON	45	675	647	28	
15	Neil Whybrow	MELTON	45	750	722	28	
16	Rod McGregor	SSPC	45	765	734	31	

I.P.S.C.

RESULTS OF SELECTION SHOOT HELD AT SALE 4/5 JUNE 1988.

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|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. B.KILPATRICK | 6. P.DRISCOLL |
| 2. T.WHITEHEAD | 7. J.HATZI |
| 3. G.MOON | 8. R.WILHELM |
| 4. J.IOUALITENE | 9. P.GILLAHAN |
| 5. K.DUNLOP | 10. P.MURPHY |

A GRADE

1. G.MOON
2. J.IOUALITENE
3. K.DUNLOP

B GRADE

1. J.HATZI
2. R.WILHELM
3. P.MURPHY

C GRADE

1. P.GILLAHAN
2. D.HEGARTY
3. K.BROOKE

D GRADE

1. A.MOSS
2. G.EDDY
3. J.LAWRENCE

TOP REVOLVER = P.GILLAHAN. TOP LADY = S.RYAN.

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JUNIOR TRI-STATE TRAVEL FUND

Further to the notice in the last V.P.N. in regard to the "Rug" I anticipate constructing to raise monies towards this cause, I would appreciate the following information:

CLUB NAME:

CLUB COLOURS:Primary:-

Secondary:-

Others:-

A small sample of material or wool in these colours will help to keep them authentic. The donation of a Club Cloth Badge will add to the attraction of this Rug. My thanks to those who have already replied, I am looking forward to a prompt reply by those who have not as yet. So come on Juniors, this is for your benefit, how about some action ?

Please forward to: MRS MERROLYN WILES, 42 JACKSON ST., FOREST HILL, 3131.

REGARDS,

"MUM"

AT RIGHT & BELOW, THE
PHOTOS THAT BELONG TO THE
JUNE ISSUE, PAGE 28,
'DIAMOND VALLEY P.C.,'
AT YARRAMBAT PARK.



PHIL BLAKE & GARY
WILSON WITH THEIR
TROPHIES & PRIZES
AT A SHOOT EARLIER
THIS YEAR AT BALLARAT.



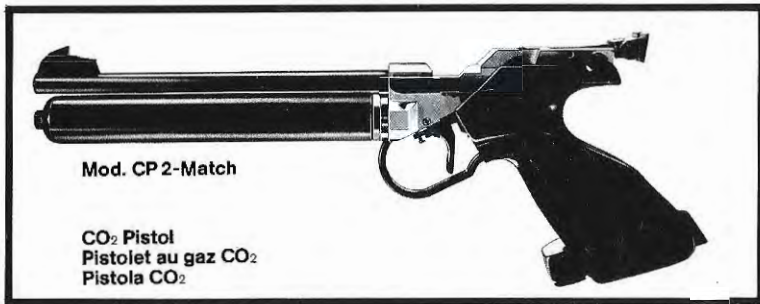
GLEN FLETT (MILDURA P.C.)
TACKLING LYNLEY BAKER AT
THE YARRA P.C. THIS MAN
HAS GOT G & D TO TAKE ON
THIS LADY!!



CAUGHT IN THE ACT !
CHERYL LEE WITH HER MUCH
WAITED FOR NERVE STICK,
AFTER FINISHING THE
SPORT PISTOL MATCH.

ALEX EAGLE SHOWS HIS
STLYE WITH THE WAND,
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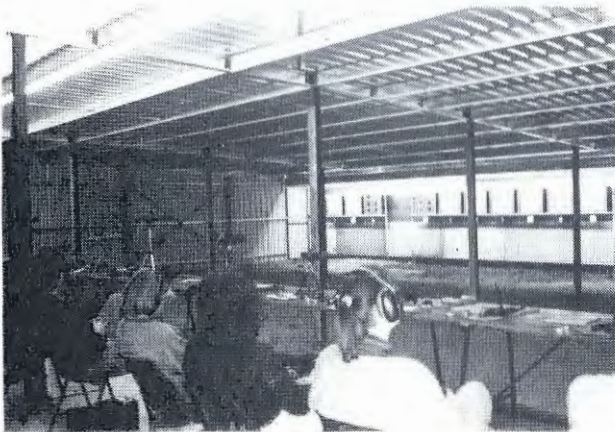
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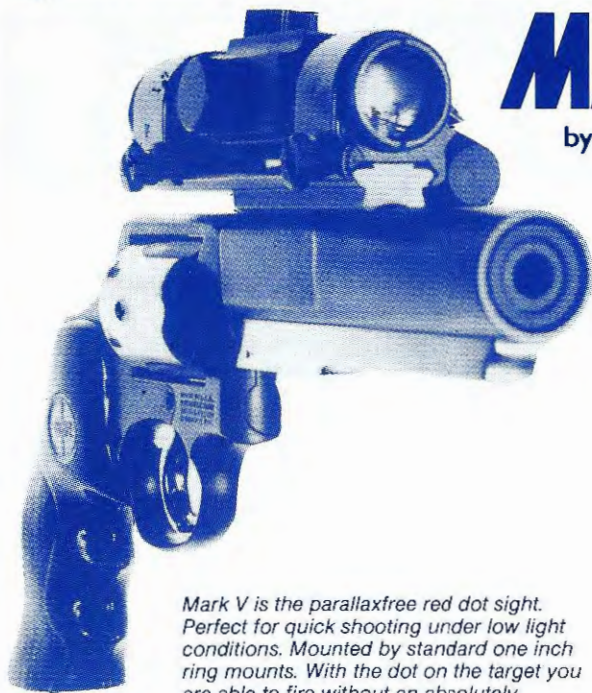
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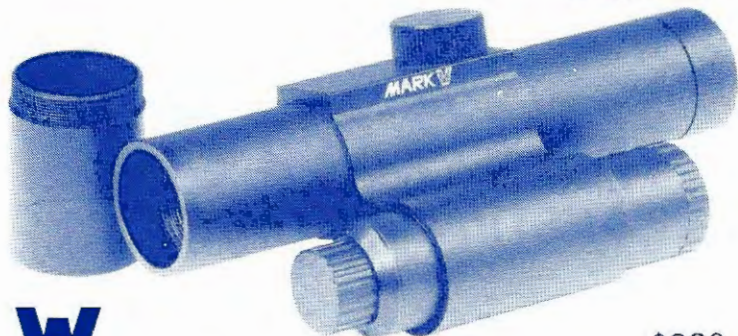
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