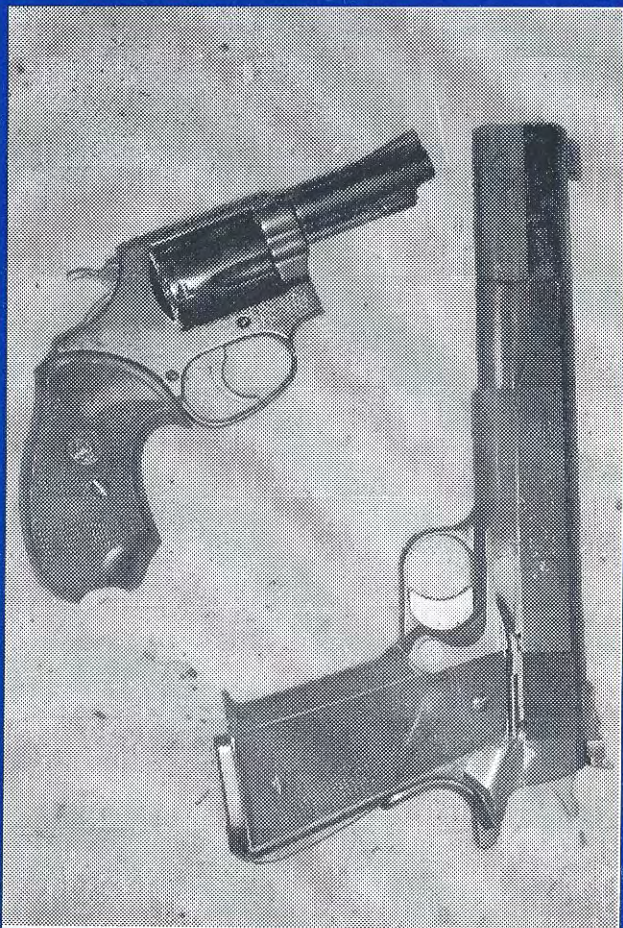


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Editorial

As I write this, most of North East Victoria is burning, and will probably be still be burning when you read this. From reports I have received it would appear that all clubs and members in the area are okay.

I would not be surprised if many of our members are among the thousands of volunteers fighting the fires and helping out behind the scenes.

While the governments and the media may want to paint us all as homicidal maniacs, we say "Thank you and well done" to those who have volunteered in Victoria's worst fire crisis for many decades.

Meanwhile the governments have not been sitting idly of the matter of firearms reform.

You may be wondering why all eight Labour State and Territory Premiers and Chief Ministers rolled over and very quickly agreed to what the Liberal Prime Minister suggested.

The answer is easy – Money.

The Federal Government collects about ninety percent of all the taxation in Australia, then hands it on to the States. I would not put it past John Howard to use the threat of Federal Funding cuts to get all States to agree to HIS handgun reforms. Just because we have a Prime Minister with a hatred of firearms, we law abiding citizens all have to suffer.

I'm sure we are all feeling much safer on the streets now that Mr Howard has removed some target handguns from law abiding citizens while leaving all the drug gangs and underworld criminals with their unregistered and illegal firearms!

Just because the election is over does not mean it is time to stop lobbying your local politicians. It would appear that the proposed Victorian legislation will be much tougher than the recommendations from the Council of Australian Governments. Unfortunately the Bracks Government gets its advice from "Experts" with University education and no experience in the "Real World". It seems that the Government is taking advice from the same type of "Experts" that advised it on bush management, while they are ignoring the people who have practical experience and knowledge on the subject.

When lobbying politicians and candidates prior to the State election, the one common thread I found in responses was their distinct lack of knowledge of target pistol shooting and related legislation. My local politician did not even realise that the 1996 legislation changes actually made it easier to obtain a handgun in Victoria!! Maybe it is time to start an education campaign to show the polities and the media what target pistol shooting is all about!

On the subject of lobbying, I would like to thank all those people from within VAPA, PA, ASA and SSAA who have been lobbying politicians and trying to retain our sport. There have been suggestions from some quarters that these people have just had a holiday, flying all over the country. I'm sure they all would prefer to be home running their businesses or at their work earning a dollar. Remember most of these people are volunteers and have given up their time and effort on your behalf! Some have neglected their business while others have taken leave without pay, so it's no holiday.

By now some of you would have received a visit from the local constabulary to check your storage facilities and handguns possessed.

I'm told the orders have come from high up to check every registered handgun owner in the State.

Wouldn't it be nice if the police were given orders to check every suspected criminal in the state? Surely it would be a better utilisation of resources and make the streets safer.

One certain thing to come out of the reforms is the justification for owning a handgun. Membership of a club will no longer be sufficient justification, you will to demonstrate a competitive need for each handgun you possess. This means participating in competition, not just plinking at the club. What will be accepted as competition we do not yet know, it could be weekly intra club competition, VAPA Postal Competition or Opens.



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Management Matters.

News and Issues from the Committee of Management
From the President

"No legitimate sporting shooter will be affected by these outcomes"

Howard/Bracks after COAG in

November 2002.

"...I will govern for ALL Victorians" -
Steve Bracks after winning the 2002
election.

"...we must work together to make sure
no religion or section of our community
is made to feel a scapegoat because of
the actions of a small number of
fanatics" – John Howard in the recent
"message from the Prime Minister" on
terrorism.

I am beginning to feel I must **not** be a
legitimate sporting shooter, I must **not** be
a Victorian and I must **not** be a part of
the community – because sure as hell
none of these seem to apply to me!!

Some of the things we face:

Only purpose built pistols for specific
events will be permitted to be sold if the
barrel length is less than 120mm (100mm
for revolvers). Clearly non-negotiable.

Only "specially accredited events" will
be permitted to be shot with anything
over .38cal – so far Metallic Silhouette
and Single Action are being mentioned
for accreditation.

We are negotiating at both state and
federal level in relation to IPSC, Action
& Service.

Magazine capacity will be limited to 10
shots – no one has any idea how this will
be implemented. Can we block
magazines – probably not. If the gun can
take more than a 10 shot mag is it legal –
don't know. International competition –
will there be exemptions for competitors
entering (or leaving) the country – don't
know. Sorry – but I suspect this one is
almost too hard for everyone and the fear
is that "they" will take what looks like
the easy way out i.e. ban everything and
be totally inflexible!

No one will be able to get a license, or
acquire a handgun, until they have been a
member of a club for at least 6 months –
use of club guns will be allowed under
issue of a provisional permit to cover the
first 6 months. In the first 6 months of
having a license a member will be
allowed a maximum of 2 handguns,
being an air pistol and either a .22 or a
centre fire pistol. Basically non-
negotiable.

All handgun owners will be required to **COMPETE** in order to retain their handguns. There will be a minimum annual requirement with a minimum number of competitions for each class of gun owned. We are still negotiating on the definition of competition and have pointed out that some practice should be included in the minimum number.

There will be much stricter storage requirements. Such security is likely to include certain requirements in relation to alarms. This is a point of discussion.

Clubs will face many recording and reporting requirements. Details of how this will operate are still being worked out and we will be taking a keen interest in the process – we are all very conscious that club secretaries and committees are **volunteers** and that any compliance issues have to be faced by these volunteers – all of whom got involved with a sport for enjoyment, not for the pleasures of paperwork and administration!!

No person may possess, use or carry a handgun unless they have a permit or a license – so no more will we be able to give prospective members, scouts etc a shot – not even with an air pistol. (This will also spell the end of using the VAPA trailer in the way we do now). It has been made very clear that this is not negotiable.

This is an incredibly short précis of a somewhat long and involved document. I cannot even begin to discuss matter relating to customs and trafficking or to collectors. Eddie Evans, Clive Whelan and I were all present at a meeting to look at, and comment upon, the draft bill.

Unfortunately there were quite a lot of people involved which detracted from meaningful dialogue. A large number of issues were raised – it remains to be seen whether any notice has been taken.

So – **DO YOU CARE???** Or have we all been wasting our time?

I know that there are many members out there who do care and who have done what they can as far as talking to politicians etc goes. Many have sent in donations to the CFCV as well. Now it is time to make sure that your club committees & members also care, and are prepared to help keep our sport alive and healthy.

Once the new Act comes into force there is going to be an onus on the individual members, on the clubs and on VAPA to make things work for the survival and future growth of pistol shooting in Victoria.

VAPA's first step will be to fund a weekend seminar for delegates from ALL our clubs – this will be held on 28th/29th June at the Waverly International in Glen Waverley. The main purpose of this will be to assist clubs cope with the requirements of the new Act. Our clubs will find they need to provide more competitions, and will have to deal with mandatory reporting requirements. Other subjects will include membership issues, finding, using & keeping volunteers, the buyback scheme etc.

It is in YOUR interests to make sure someone from your club will be attending.

It is YOU who will miss out on valuable information and feedback if your club does not send a delegate.

Information will be sent out to club secretaries by the end of February.

Finally – I am coming more and more to the opinion that VAPA needs to be run much more as a business and less like an amateur sports body (which is, of course, what it is). Decision-making and policy-making areas need to be addressed – rather than the executive directing policy and the committee of management making decisions I think it should be the other way around!! After all, shareholders don't take part in the decision making of a company, but woe betide any board that ignores the wishes of the shareholders!! This is probably a bit radical but is something we should give thought to in the future (and preferably the near future)!!

Aiming For Success. The Future Of Pistol Shooting In Victoria. Weekend Workshop For All Clubs.

Date: 28/29 June 2003
Time: Saturday 10.00am to 5.00pm
Sunday 9.00am to 3.30pm
Where: Waverley International,
Springvale Rd, Glen Waverley

We will expect one person from every club to attend – this person will be funded to the extent of

Morning & afternoon tea, lunch on both days

Accommodation on Saturday night including breakfast Sunday

Remote clubs may request assistance with travel &/or Friday night accommodation – this will be dealt with on a case by case basis.

Clubs may nominate extra attendees, who will be accommodated on a first come, first served basis. However there will be a small fee of \$30 to cover costs of morning & afternoon teas & lunch. Accommodation can be arranged but will be the responsibility of the individual (or the club).

What will be covered – as you will appreciate the new legislation is still at the drafting stage, but what we have seen so far is not encouraging (refer to the President's report in this VPN). Subject to the new requirements, which will be quite onerous, the major items to be included will be:

The new Firearms Act

- An overview of changes
- Participation requirements
- Permits to Acquire
- New Members
- Club responsibilities - record keeping & reporting requirements, running competitions etc
- Penalties for non compliance (by clubs)
- Appeals process
- Buyback process

Volunteer management

- Running acceptable competitions
- Catering for all members
- Preventing 'burn out'
- Rewarding your volunteers
- Training range officials
- Spreading the load

The future of our sport

- The role of PA, VAPA and the clubs in keeping the sport alive, changing public & media perceptions etc
- PR initiatives

It is intended to use outside sources as well as our own resources for presentation of the material. There will also be plenty of time allowed for feedback and questions – but it will not be allowed to degenerate into a 'grudge' session – the aim is to help us all develop strategies to cope with the new regime and ensure it does not kill a great, and legal, pastime.

PLEASE – make sure your club sends a delegate.

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From The Police Minister.

Mr Neil Stewart
Editor
Victorian Pistol News

Dear Mr Stewart

Regulation of Handguns in Victoria

Thank you for your electronic mail message concerning the regulation of handguns in Victoria. In your letter you have referred to the recent community focus on the regulation of access to handguns for target shooting purposes in Victoria.

I thank you for raising this important issue with me and providing me an opportunity to explain the proposed handgun control reforms and to dispel some of the misinformation that has been circulating on the Victorian Government's intentions.

Please find attached a brief article for inclusion in the forthcoming edition of Victorian Pistol News explaining some of the implications of the COAG Agreement on Handgun Control.

Yours sincerely

(signed)

ANDRÉ HAERMEYER
Minister for Police and Emergency Services

Proposed Regulation of Handguns in Victoria

The Victorian Government recognises that most firearms owners are law abiding citizens and that most firearms offences are committed by those who possess firearms outside of the firearms licensing and registration system established by the *Firearms Act 1996*. The Government also recognises that there are a number of legitimate occupational and sporting purposes for which a person can own and use a handgun. Unfortunately, the tragic events at Monash University on 21 October 2002 were allegedly perpetrated by a person who was licensed to possess handguns.

Accordingly, the community has demanded tighter controls on the possession and use of handguns for target shooting purposes to minimise the potential risk of future tragedies. The Victorian Government will seek to meet this demand whilst attempting to minimise unnecessary inconvenience to legitimate competitive shooters and licensed firearm collectors.

In response to the community demands, at the Council of Australian Governments' (COAG) meeting on 6 December 2002, Commonwealth, State and Territory leaders agreed on a national approach to restrict the availability and use of handguns, particularly concealable weapons, for sport shooting purposes.

COAG endorsed a number of recommendations for handgun law reform made to it by the Australasian Police Ministers' Council (APMC), and agreed an approach that will provide for:

- a system of graduated access to handguns for legitimate sporting shooters, based on training, experience and event participation;
- giving shooting clubs greater access to information by requiring a prospective member to produce a police clearance prior to acceptance as a member, information on other shooting clubs a person belongs to, and their current ownership of firearms; and
- more stringent requirements to prevent "club shopping" by potential members of gun clubs, including better access for clubs to information from licensing authorities.

Importantly, COAG agreed to restrict the classes of legal handguns that can be imported or possessed for sporting purposes to those meeting recognised sporting shooter classifications in the Olympic and Commonwealth Games and other accredited events. The proposals agreed to by COAG included twenty-seven matches in seven handgun disciplines. These restrictions are designed to ensure that the privileges of legitimate sporting shooters are preserved whilst enhancing and improving community safety by removing those handguns that are not required for legitimate sport shooting matches.

In addition to restricting the events for which handguns can be possessed by sport shooters, the agreement limits the types of handguns that can be possessed and used within those disciplines. Other than for specially accredited matches in which a handgun of up to .45" calibre is required, handguns will be limited to a maximum of .38" calibre. COAG also agreed that semi-automatic handguns with a barrel length of less than 120mm and revolvers with a barrel length of less than 100mm will be prohibited. Importantly, highly specialised target pistols will be allowed irrespective of their barrel length because, often, they are large, visually distinctive and not readily concealable due to their overall size. COAG has not yet determined which matches will be specially accredited for the use of handguns with calibres between .38" and .45".

COAG also indicated that the proposed national disposal and compensation scheme will run from 1 July 2003 until 1 January 2004. The details of the national compensation scheme will be finalised by the APMC and COAG in the near future, and will be accompanied by the introduction of legislation nationally to implement the agreement.

In framing the legislation, the Victorian Government will be concerned to ensure that sporting shooters are able to possess and use those handguns that are necessary for them to participate in legitimate sport shooting matches.

While the COAG Agreement is principally concerned with the use of handguns for target shooting purposes, it will have some implications for handgun collectors. However, the Agreement was designed to ensure that legitimate handgun collectors are able to continue with their interest. As a result of this consideration, the handguns to be prohibited for target shooting purposes will remain available to legitimate handgun collectors in appropriate circumstances.

Handguns manufactured prior to 1 January 1947 will remain generally available to collectors who meet all of the licensing and safety requirements prescribed in the *Firearms Act*. However, collectors wishing to possess handguns manufactured after 31 December 1946 will be required to demonstrate a greater degree of commitment to the collection of historical arms. Importantly, the requirements for museums will remain unaffected.

In acknowledging that the greatest risks to the community are posed by illegal handguns, the Victorian Government has indicated that it will also re-introduce legislation into the Parliament to significantly increase penalties for people found guilty of firearms trafficking or who otherwise possess and use firearms outside of the licensing and registration system. The new legislation will help police to better detect and deter people from possessing and using illegal firearms.

The Government will also continue to press the Commonwealth Government to increase the use of its powers and resources to prevent the entry of illegal firearms into Australia.

From the Coaching Council

Many years ago, I was in the Australian Team at the World Championships in Phoenix Arizona U.S.A. While there, I became friends with an American shooter, Bill Blankenship, who, as (my) luck would have it, just happened to be one of the top pistol shooters in the world. Over three weeks I spent a great deal of time talking shooting and had some memorable training sessions on the range with Bill. Among some stored things was this condensed article on pistol shooting by Bill and it may be worth reading. I certainly think it is. *(This is a long article by Bill, so I've broken it into two parts. Part 2 next issue! Ed)*

By Bill Blankenship

When reminiscing over the years I've been in competitive shooting, many things come to mind. The feeling of doing something well has indeed been very satisfying and well worth the effort. Winning the first medal, the first match, and to have had the good fortune and the friendships established will rank high among my finest memories. I've also been impressed by the sportsmanship displayed by shooters from the time I became involved.

To learn to shoot a pistol, there are certain basic fundamentals every interested person should be familiar with. In the beginning, most shooters make the same basic mistakes. Some of these are made because of the lack of knowledge, while other mistakes are made because it is simply the natural thing to do, such as looking at what you are shooting at. This is the first lesson a new shooter should learn: The focus of the eye must be one the front sight (with iron sights) or on the reticle (with red dot or scope sights) to get the most accuracy out of the pistol.

There are 3 major lessons that should be taught to new shooters. The first is proper sight picture. The second is trigger control.

The third is learning to hold still. When working on these LESSONS, one is learning the majority of the FUNDAMENTALS; therefore stance, grip, breathing, and other fundamentals will be discussed within these 3 lessons. The ability to CONCENTRATE has a direct bearing on anyone's scores, but the fundamentals must be learned first.

Lesson One:

PROPER SIGHT ALIGNMENT

Sight alignment has to do with only the alignment of the front and rear sights and has nothing to do with the target. Where you hold on the target is not too important as long as you hold as still as you can and in the same place for each shot. The greatest lesson I learned and one that made the greatest difference in score was to bring the focus of the eye from the target to the front sight. I found that during my experimenting that the focus of the eye was shifting back and forth from the front sight to the target and sometimes the focus was on neither, but somewhere in between! Perfect sight alignment is necessary to get good scores, and having a natural alignment of the arm, hand and gun to the eye will keep the sights perfectly aligned.

There are several things that cause the sights to become mis-aligned. The wrist not being held in a stationary position is one.

To eliminate this, concentrate on getting the arm straight with the elbow locked and by gripping the gun as hard as you can grip with out it starting to tremble. After you've taken the grip on the pistol and the sights do not align themselves naturally, DO NOT compensate by turning the wrist. This is especially a problem for those who shoot with optical (dot) sights. To do this will cause you to lose control of the solid arm, wrist, and grip. Practice holding the wrist in a stationary position at all times with a locked elbow and a hard grip. This will strengthen forearm muscles which control the grip.

The position of the head is very important in keeping the sights aligned. The head should be kept in the same exact position at all times. A drooping head will cause many difficulties.

Lesson Two: **TRIGGER CONTROL**

To new and old shooters alike, controlling the trigger seems to be a major problem. The new shooter has trouble because he has no conception of how delicate this problem is. The older shooters, myself included, are always trying to perfect their trigger control.

All the new shooters I've had the chance to coach have had just about the same problems. For example, the first time a person picks up a .45 calibre automatic, their first shot is usually somewhere between a point one yard in front of their feet to anywhere in the vicinity of the target!

Most everyone knows that when the sights get aligned you're supposed to do something that will make the gun fire. This they do, but most of the time all at once. This sudden movement of the trigger finger disturbs the gun and is referred to a "jerking the trigger." Let me explain my idea of the problems and progress of new shooters. I like to use the example of a picture puzzle. When a new shooter starts to understand the fundamentals its like picking out the pieces that have borderlines and putting them together. There is a lot accomplished but a lot ahead. Each new piece of the puzzle is like learning another lesson in shooting. Sometimes a puzzle takes a long time to figure out; likewise, there are many problems in shooting, and each time one is solved, the results produce better scores.

Trigger control can become a habit. I believe that any muscular movement of the body can become a habit through repetition. The reflex action of pulling (squeezing or mashing) the trigger, is the subconscious mind evaluating the situation, making the decision whether or not to shoot that shot, and without any conscious thought on your part starting the trigger finger to move and continuing pressure until the hammer falls. Just as if an object is about to hit you in the face you automatically close your eyes and usually bring your hand(s) up to protect your face, it is a reflex action controlled by the subconscious mind.

Without hesitation, the pulling of the trigger is a positive pressure straight to the rear in such a way as not to disturb the perfect alignment of the sights or the stillness of the gun.

Taking a good position and stance is important. Also, you must have a solid arm with ELBOW LOCKED, the wrist straight, and a good hard grip on the pistol. Then try to hold the gun with perfect sight alignment as still as you can with the focus of the eye on the front sight (or reticle).

If the gun settles in the PROPER AIMING AREA on the target and the movement is such that you can accept, the commit yourself to deliver that shot and squeeze with a positive pressure without any hesitation. The saying "he who hesitates is lost," applies very well to trigger control.

Trigger pressure must come from the trigger finger only. You must place the trigger finger on the trigger in such a

way that you can squeeze straight to the rear and thereby have no disturbance to the sight alignment in any way. Having the arm so solid, the wrist straight, and the grip hard will aid you in trigger control. By gripping hard you can keep the same grip on the pistol throughout the shot or series. The trigger finger must move independently from the rest of the hand. Consistency is the secret of doing anything well. This is especially true of trigger control.

Thank you again Bill!

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Around The Opens

Numbers Up!

Whether it was the forthcoming demise of Service 25 yards in its current form, or maybe people getting in early for the minimum competition requirements, Outtrim had 40 entries for their Open. Great to see so many people taking part, even Olympians had a go at Service 25.



Linda Ryan shooting Service 25

Let's hope that this is a sign for the future and numbers at Opens continue to rise.

Visitors Welcome!

With the Outtrim Open being held on Australia Day, there were many local dignitaries attending an official Australia Day function at the adjacent tennis court. After the official function many of the dignitaries and guests wandered over to the pistol club to have a look. All were impressed with the safety aspects of the match and the discipline and skill of the competitors, especially after some of them had a go and found pistol shooting is not as easy as it looks.

Judge Getting Soft!

Who was the newly qualified Service RO who nearly copped a penalty for commencing competition with an unapproved pistol, and who was the once hard nosed judge who let her off with a warning? It seems that country life may be mellowing the big bird.

"Men" with hats!

Who were the "men" with umbrella hats at the Outtrim Service Open? Even though the temperature was into the 50's, I don't think this will catch on as standard headgear for Service shooters.

Hot Shooting!

Not the scores, the temperature. At the Outtrim Service Open the temperature on the range was recorded at 52 degrees, in the shade of the breezeway it was a much cooler 44 degrees. In spite of this several goods scores were shot.

Cool Castlemaine!

Must be that El Nino bloke at it again, people at Castlemaine were seen sporting coats and jackets again. Not what we are used to in February. Even the girls from Peninsula felt the cold waiting for the Saturday evening BBQ.



Angela Anderson & Bronwyn Roger

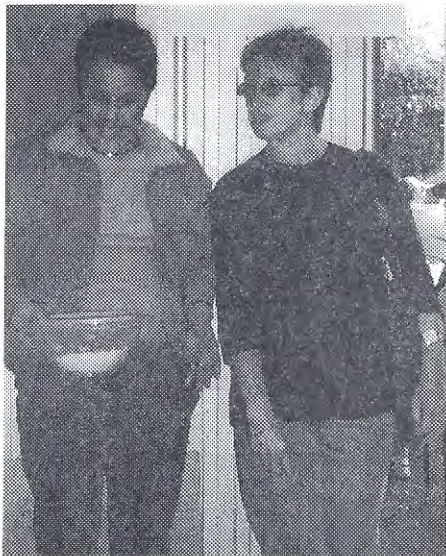
Sunday was a more typical Castlemaine day. Another big Open with 100 entries, though there were a few no shows with several people away fighting fires.

A Trifling Matter!

Seems some of the locals were keen to keep the Trifle to themselves this year. A certain person from Warragul way was most upset when she found there was a trifle she didn't get to sample at the BBQ.

The Short and the Short!

Who said Domenica Spry was the shortest person on the shooting circuit!



Domenica Spry & Heather Shill

Rumour has it that Domenica wasn't even standing on tip toes!

Mayor Visits.

Mount Alexander Shire mayor, Peter Skilbeck, was an interested visitor to the Castlemaine open. Mr Skilbeck was impressed with the club facilities and the attitude and discipline of the competitors.

Comment from the Mayor.

The following article was printed in the Castlemaine Mail 7th February 2003 and is published with the kind permission of the Castlemaine Mail and Mayor Peter Skilbeck.

Last Sunday morning I wandered out to the Castlemaine Pistol Club range between Wesley Hill and Chewton to see how their annual competition shoot was going.

The range is adjacent to the Pyrenees Highway and located down in old mining workings.

As I rolled over the track into the site I was amazed to see upwards of fifty to sixty cars around the facilities

Trevor Shill escorted me around the various shooting ranges where I was amazed again to see the extent of the facilities the club has put together.

With about one hundred shooters registered for the weekend competition, the club has made a major contribution to the area's tourism.

Sometimes, when Council makes a contribution to a facility upgrade we see little use of the improvement.

In the case of the Pistol Club, a minor contribution to the installation of a ramp a couple of years age is not only well used by club members, but also enabled three wheelchair bound competitors to shoot over the weekend.

I have attended many functions over the years and I don't think I have visited one with so much friendly discussion amongst those standing around, or one where there has been such intense concentration and precise skills being displayed.

During some planning matters in recent years, council has been advised that anyone interested in shooting was a little different to the norm.

I can assure you this group of men, women and children, locals and visitors from all over Victoria, was the most normal and respectable and responsible group of people you could ever wish to meet.

Peter Skilbeck
Mayor
Mount Alexander Shire.

Shooting Snippets

Action Match Team Selection Criteria.

Competitors seeking selection for the 2004 Team to represent Australia overseas in the International 1920 Match, shall compete in:

- i. The three events (staged for the top 15) in the lead up week of the Nationals, on the Nationals range
- ii. The Nationals, with that score to count.

The competitor may drop the lowest of the three selection events in item i.

To qualify for the top 15 the competitor must shoot at any sanctioned match the relevant score as below:

Open	1916
Women	1905
Junior	1901

This is the situation at the time of printing, but I hear there could be some changes. Stay tuned for details.

Changes to Action Match.

At the Pistol Australia meeting in December, the following motions were put and carried.

that a new grade of Super High Master be created with a grade break of 1916.

that Action Pistol be renamed "International 1920 Match"

Both these changes bring Australia into line with the World Action Shooting Association and came into effect from 1st January 2003.

Nationals Changes.

For those planning an Easter holiday for the 2004 PA/ISSF Nationals think again. The Nationals will be held in Sydney June 7th – 14th. The Olympic matches will be held at S.I.S.C. with the other events at Blacktown Pistol Club.

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS?

Change of address is to be advised to your Club Secretary.

The editor cannot change addresses for VAPA members. If your address is incorrect advise your Club Secretary, who will in turn advise the V.A.P.A. Secretary.

2003 ISSF/PA Nationals

State Team Members

Service Pistol

Joe Doherty
Ralph Motton
Brett Sandman
Chris Winterhalter

Service Unrestricted

Joe Doherty
Ralph Motton
Brett Sandman
Chris Winterhalter

Service 25 Yards

Joe Doherty
Ralph Motton
Brett Sandman
Chris Winterhalter

Black Powder 25 Metre

John Sammartino
Andrew Scougall
Ern Smith
Greg Vincent

Black Powder 50 Metre

David Hastie
John Sammartino
Ern Smith
Greg Vincent

Standard Pistol

Bruce Quick
Daniel Repacholi
Linda Ryan
Annette Woodward

Free Pistol

Stephen Dellar
Jose Iglesias
Bruce Quick
Daniel Repacholi

Rapid Fire

Wayne Davis
Lucas Finken
Bruce Quick
Noel Ryan

Centre Fire

Nick Cumberland
Wayne Davis
Bruce Quick
Noel Ryan

Men's Air Pistol

Stephen Dellar
Jose Iglesias
Bruce Quick
Daniel Repacholi

Ladies Sport Pistol

Kristy Gillman
Linda Ryan
Annette Woodward
Lalita Yauhleuskaya

Ladies Air Pistol

Kristy Gillman
Linda Ryan
Annette Woodward
Lalita Yauhleuskaya

Junior Air Pistol

Dallas Coote
Lucas Finken
Emma Riella
Baden Robinson

Junior Sport Pistol

Dallas Coote
Lucas Finken
Emma Riella
Baden Robinson

Team Managers: Norm Edwards & Neil Stewart

VICTORIAN AMATEUR PISTOL ASSOCIATION.
STATE TEAM SELECTION METHOD.

PURPOSE:

To form a squad from which the State Team to compete at National Championships will be selected.

THOSE ELIGIBLE TO NOMINATE:

SENIORS: All shooters of "A" or Master Grade for PA and ISSF events. Master Grade or High Master Grade for NRA Events.

JUNIORS: All Juniors who will still be 20 years of age as at **DECEMBER 31** in the year of the Championships.

AUTOMATIC INCLUSIONS:

All current State Team Members are automatically included for their Team Event/s in next year's squad. If you wish to nominate for extra Events please complete the Nomination Form.

NOMINATIONS:

Shooters wishing to nominate for the State Team complete and mail the nomination form to

Neil Stewart
P O Box 38
Pascoe Vale South Vic 3044

Nominate for only the event/s in which you are currently qualified.

INVITATIONS:

Any shooter who has not nominated, and has shot two or more scores that give the shooter a qualifying Mean Average in Sanctioned Open competitions, may apply to join the squad, or may be invited to join the squad by the Team Managers.

SELECTION METHOD:

Shooters are required to compete in a minimum of four (4) Sanctioned Open Competitions. There is no limit to the number of such competitions and they may include interstate and overseas competitions. For a competition to be eligible there must be a minimum of a Judge "B" in attendance. In the event that there are less than six (6) Open Competitions planned for a particular event closed elimination/s may be conducted.

It is the shooter's responsibility to ensure the Team Managers receive a full copy of the results (not just individual scores) within 28 days of the competition.

A final squad of 4 will be selected for each match at the conclusion on the elimination series. Ranking will be in order of Mean Average.

SELECTION PERIOD:

PA & ISSF: For the 2004 Team, the Selection Period will be from 1st January 2003 up to and including the 2004 ISSF Victorian Championships.

NRA: From the weekend following the prior years State Championships up to and including the current years State Championships.

SELECTION AVERAGES:

To be eligible for selection shooters must maintain the following Mean Average (Average of all scores submitted, discarding the lowest).

	Free	Rapid	Centre	Stand	Sport	Air
Open	535	560	565	555		565
Ladies					560	370
Junior					545	355
	Service	Unrest	Serv 25	BP25	BP50	NRA
Open	855	870	590	360	350	1905
Ladies						1850
Junior						1850

In the event there are insufficient qualifiers in any particular match (event), meaning that a team is unable to be selected in that match, the Selection Sub Committee MAY select from those who have not fully qualified as follows:

- There must be at least one shooter to have qualified in that particular event.
- Other shooters to be considered must have a Mean Average of 99% of the Qualifying Mean Average.
- Shooters who have qualified in other matches may fill the position/s.

SELECTION OF FINAL TEAM:

The final squad of 4 selected for each event will be required to compete in nominated competition/s to select the three Team Members and Reserve.

TEAM SELECTION SUB-COMMITTEE:

There shall be a Team Selection Sub Committee.

The Sub-Committee will have discretionary powers when selecting the State Team.

The decision of the Sub-Committee shall be final.

REPLACEMENT OF TEAM MEMBERS:

Once selected should any member of the Team be unable to attend the National Championships, his/her position will be filled or left vacant at the discretion of the Team Managers.

If, at the National Championships, it is considered that any Team Members may, in any way, jeopardise the chances of the Team, the Team Managers may replace that member.

Team members will at all times comply with the Team Managers' instructions relating to Team activities.

BENEFITS:

VAPA will provide Team Members with:

- (a) Accommodation on a twin or triple share basis from up to 2 nights before the Team Members first Team competition, or from the commencement of Official Training (whichever is the latter) until up to 2 nights after the conclusion of the Team Members final team competition or the conclusion of the Championships (whichever is the earlier);
- (b) Transport to the city of the Event, or the equivalent cash reimbursement;
- (c) Transfers to the site of the Event, as appropriate;
- (d) Entry and nomination fees for team event/s;
- (e) Ticket to the Presentation Dinner should Team Members attend;
- (f) An allowance of \$25.00 per day for the period accommodation is paid for by V.A.P.A., or the Team Members attendance at the Championships, whichever is the shorter; except that if the accommodation paid for by V.A.P.A. includes daily breakfast the allowance will be reduced to \$20.00 per day.
- (g) Other benefits as may be made available from time to time

GENERAL:

Team members will be in attendance at the venue of the National Championships at least 24 hours prior to their first event/s - or earlier - so that each member can engage in at least one practice session of their event/s, and acclimatise to local conditions.

On completion of their competition events, members may depart the Team although it is hoped that members will remain to support and encourage other team members for remaining competitions.

It is expected that all Team Members will stay at the accommodation arranged. Any member (with good reason) may apply to live elsewhere, but it is preferred the accommodation be close to the venue. If any such request is approved, and dependant on the style of accommodation, the member may be reimbursed up to the equivalent of the accommodation arranged by the V.A.P.A.

Spouse or family may accompany Team members at their own expense, but Team activities will at all times take precedence.

NOMINATION FOR STATE TEAM

Return to: Neil Stewart.
P.O. Box 38
Pascoe Vale South. 3044

by 30th June 2003.

I wish to nominate in the events I have listed for the Elimination Series to select the State team that will represent Victoria at the 2004 National Championships. I undertake to abide by the decision of the Team Selection Sub-Committee and, if selected, the conditions of the published State Team Selection Method.

Nominated Match	Current Grade	Highest Score Shot In Open Competition In The Past 12 Months
50 Metre Pistol		/600
25 Metre Rapid Fire Pistol		/600
25 Metre Centre Fire Pistol		/600
25 Metre Standard Pistol		/600
10 Metre Air Pistol Men		/600
10 Metre Air Pistol Women		/400
25 Metre Pistol Women		/600
25 Metre Pistol Junior		/600
10 Metre Air Pistol Junior Men		/600
10 Metre Air Pistol Junior Women		/400
Service Pistol		/900
Service Pistol Unrestricted		/900
Service 25 Yards		/650
Black Powder 25 Metre		/400
Black Powder 50 Metre		/400

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- Fund Raising Sub-Committee (3 persons)
- Shooting Sports Council Delegates (4 persons)
- Publicity Officer

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Send Nominations to:

Eddie Evans
P O Box 301
Altona Vic 3018

We the undersigned, being financial members of the Victorian Amateur Pistol
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SECONDER.....

(SIGNATURE).....

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE

DATE/...../.....

Snubby Short Barrel Service 25 Yards. Is It Dead?

By Eddie Evans

As a State Association secretary, I have been heavily involved in the current session of bashing gun owners, and I thought it was the end for this match. Cash in your snubbies and have a quiet cry.

I was therefore somewhat surprised when attending an open in late November to hear some of the comments. Some of course are unprintable, but the general gist was, don't be stupid Eddie, we will just change the barrel length and gradings, it is too good a competition to lose.

Fine, but we have very little time.

If things go as expected (crystal ball gazing), we will be stuck with a minimum barrel length of 100mm for a revolver.

In Victoria we are all going to receive a letter asking what the barrel lengths of our handguns are, and this will almost certainly happen Australia wide. Hopefully we will then have the choice of handing them in or re-barrelling to 100mm (it would appear that 98mm will be O.K.). The consensus at the "open" was to re-barrel, and thus save the expense and trouble of an action job on a new handgun.

Your input to the following rules is needed **now**, if you are interested in keeping the match going.

1. Re-barrelling in a hurry might pose a problem getting a barrel of the same make as the frame. Do we remove this rule and allow custom barrels?
2. The maximum barrel length is 70mm (revolver). That allows any number of lengths up to 70mm i.e. there is plenty of leeway. If the minimum barrel length becomes 100mm we will not be able to use this as a maximum also, there would be no leeway. Do we increase the lengths of barrel, sight radius and box by 35mm?

Responses to;
Eddie Evans
P.O. Box 200
ALTONA VIC 3018

Service 25 - Where to from here?

Results of a survey of competitors at a Service Open.

With the current uncertainty surrounding what firearms we will be able to keep until the Government lays down the new laws, competitors at the Outtrim Service Open were asked a series of questions, especially in respect to the foreshadowed changes to barrels.

Our esteemed VAPA Secretary (and originally the main architect of the match) Eddie Evans, has put forward several comments over the past months, this article will either make things clearer for some members, or totally cloud the issue.

The current rules provide that the barrel must be original to the firearm make, and be a maximum length of 70mm in revolvers, the proposed new laws will make the minimum barrel length of firearms 100mm, consequently this will make **all** the firearms for this match prohibited. While this survey is not "official" it does provide some indication from shooters, the options they may pursue to make their firearms conform to new laws.

- *"Do you want to retain the match"* only 99% said yes
- *"Is your current gun a factory barrel length, or has it been cut down to suit"* 48% said they used a factory length barrel, while 52% had cut down barrels
- *"Would you get your current gun re-barrelled to comply with new requirements"* 87% said yes, and as well, 39% said they had access to a new factory barrel.
- *"Given there may be a nation-wide shortage of factory 4" barrels, would you advocate the installation of a custom barrel to circumvent the possibly of such a shortage"* 82% yes for custom barrels, 15% said no, while 3% said "dunno"
- *"If you agree with custom barrels, would you agree to a sight rib as well"* only 47% agreed to a sight rib, (make it what it is -----a target handgun, they said)
- *"With a 4" barrel, do you think the power factor should be raised a little"* Leave it said 65%, while 35% said yes (some said put it up to Service Match loads)
- Cynically most shooters (95%) thought that the importers of factory 4" barrels would see this as an opportunity to make huge profits.
- Interesting statistics: 71% used S&W .357 revolvers, 26% used S&W .38 revolvers, whilst only 3% used other makes, but **all** used revolvers.

There were 30 respondents to the survey.

Alex Eagle
VRC Secretary

Editors Note. At this stage it would appear that Service 25 Yards will not be among the twenty seven approved matches.

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Pistol Australia Train-On Squad

From the Pistol Australia Office

Purpose

- The development of a program that provides a pathway for developing Pistol Australia (PA) shooters to achieve their potential and gain entry into the Australian Shooting Association (ASA) High Performance Program (HPP) Squad and/or ASA Development Squad.
- To provide to PA shooters the opportunity for international competition and to represent PA as part of an Australian team to the Commonwealth Shooting Championships and Oceania, (funds permitting).

Objective

To build on recent successes and foster the many talented shooter members of PA to make PA the leading shooting discipline **in** Australia, indeed the Commonwealth.

Squad Entry

Squad operations and membership to be on an annual basis commencing 1 October 2002.

Eligibility for entry

Automatic Entry:

Pistol Australia members who finish in the highest 3 places in each of the Olympic matches, excluding those members already in the HPP Squads, commencing at the 2002 Nationals.

Entry by Nomination:

- Nomination by a State Association of a member following achievement of a master grade score in an Olympic match ratified by the relevant State Association as having been achieved at a sanctioned open shoot commencing 1 October 2002.
- Nomination by the National Coaching Council (NCC) Director or Squad Coach, this must be endorsed by PA Management.

All proposed members will be required to agree to and sign a formal letter of acceptance of the terms and conditions of entry and maintenance of membership before admittance into the Squad. Failure to formally agree to such conditions may result in non-admittance.

All membership of the Squad will require PA Membership written approval. Such approval shall be at the sole discretion of PA Management.

Squad Size

Resultant actual squad size will determine funding levels for each individual member. Members may need to contribute approx \$250 per camp. This will be invoiced by PA and payment will be required prior to attendance at relevant camps.

Membership Duration and Continuation

Squad membership will be valid for one (1) year. To remain in the squad for successive years continuing performance improvement must be demonstrated. This could be through:

Nationals performance improvement,

Score improvement at Open Shoots-,

Demonstration of an appropriate attitude, e.g. a desire to make a PA team and go overseas is not enough, what is needed is a demonstrated commitment to and achievement of continuing improvement in results both in Australia and overseas;

NCC coach recommendation, this must be endorsed by PA Management.

Conditions of Membership

To maintain membership in the Squad a shooter must-

- Develop with the Squad coach a program of training and planned competition - subject to acceptance by PA Management ISSF Coordinator-,
- Undertake training and competition as agreed (extenuating circumstances such as illness may need to be taken into account - subject to PA Management ISSF Coordinator review and agreement)-,
- Undertake testing, including technical, sports science and physical. Testing must show that goals set have been achieved and there is an expectation of continued improvement.

Shooters must meet above expectations of Squad membership or membership will be withdrawn/not renewed. Withdrawal or non-renewal of squad membership is not an entitlement to refund of any previous squad/camp fees paid.

Shooters may re-enter the squad by subsequently meeting the eligibility requirements. Any re-entry will be subject to approval of PA Management.

Squad Camps

Train-on squad to provide for up to two (2) camps per year funded/partly funded by PA.

Camps to be held at the Sydney International Shooting Centre (SISC), where possible or other locations where sports science and physical testing can be performed, e.g. Australian Institute of Sport or Victorian Institute of Sport.

Camps to be held at times when HPP coach/s are available to participate, and perhaps also visiting international coaches. Camps may be held at locations where the HPP has access to State Sports Institute testing facilities.

Camps to include-

- ❖ Program of lectures-,
- ❖ Program of on the line coaching,
- ❖ Program of testing;
- ❖ Shoulder-to-shoulder competition.

PA Team Selection for International Competition

In addition to PA members selected in Australian teams as part of the ASA HPP there will/may be opportunities for other PA members to represent Australia 'internationally.

For definition purposes we will refer to ASA HPP members as the HPP team and for any additional team members as the PA team.

Eligibility: Selection in PA teams to Oceania and Commonwealth Shooting Championships and perhaps World Cups to be made from members of the PA Train-On Squad.

Selection Criteria: Selection ranking will be based on the Nationals final score (qualification score plus finals score) from the preceding Nationals (i.e. that Nationals which preceded the nominated international event provided this is at least three (3) months prior to the international event), plus the final score (qualification score plus finals score) from the shoulder-to-shoulder elimination shoot to be conducted at SISC at least two (2) months prior to the international event. Actual date of these shoulder to-shoulder elimination shoots to be advised.

Selection for team membership to be based on ranking of total of both above events (including finals). Costs associated with participation in these elimination events will be solely at the competitor's expense.

Number of shooters selected in PA teams to be at the sole discretion of PA Management.

PA Team Size and Funding

PA Team numbers (in addition to those selected in HPP team) will depend on available funds now and in the future. 2002/03 funding to PA from the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) is set at \$20,000 for PA Train-On Squad shooter development. Future funding levels will depend on the ASC allocations and its evaluation of the performance and achievements of pistol shooting.

Dependent on team size, members in PA teams may be fully or partially funded to international competitions.

To select the best PA team and to encourage shooters with potential for improvement and future achievement the following funding criteria will apply:

- Shooters who have represented Australia on three (3) or more previous occasions in the past five (5) years will be funded in the range of 0 - 25 % if in that time they have not continued to improve their performance at those international competitions.
- Shooters who have represented Australia on three (3) or more previous occasions in the past five (5) years will be funded in the range of 50 - 75% if in that time they have demonstrated continued improvement in their performance at those international competitions.
- Shooters who have represented Australia on less than three (3) previous occasions in the past five (5) years will be funded in the range of 75 - 100%.

All funding levels and arrangements will be reviewed, and if warranted, revised by PA Management on an annual basis. All decisions relating to funding of PA team members are at the sole discretion of PA Management.

State Team Development Squads

State associations should be encouraged to develop programs and activities that will provide opportunities for their members to progress to access the PA Train-On Squad.

State associations can nominate, for PA Management approval, the inclusion of members (with strong potential - although not necessarily a master grade shooter) of relevant state development squads to attend one or more PA Train-On Squad camps to provide opportunities for states to "wet their new talent". (N.B. this would be as an attachment only to the squad, not membership, for experience purposes and they will be included at the discretion of P.A. Management). Such approved attendance at PA Train-On Squad camps will be at the expense of the relevant state association, and will be dependent on the objectives, programs and planning of specific camps.

Note

Communication by the Train-On Squad with the ASA HPP will be through PA Management ISSF Coordinator.

Responsibilities: PA Management will be represented in the Squad operations by the PA ISSF Co-ordinator.

V.A.P.A. Competition Calendar 2003

Where Sunday is the 1st of the month, it is weekend 1

Mar	1-2	BP State Titles	Mid Murray
	8-10	ISSF State Titles	Shepparton
	15-16		
	22-23	Action Match	Echuca
	29-30		
Apr	5-6		
	12-13	Nationals	Wagga Wagga
	19-20	Nationals	Wagga Wagga
	26-27		
May	3-4		
	10-11		
	17-18	ISSF	M.I.S.C.
	24-25	ISSF	Warrnambool
Jun	May 31-1		
	7-9	ISSF, BP & Service	Mid Murray
	14-15		
	21-22		
	28-29	BP	Castlemaine
Jul	5-6		
	12-13		
	19-20		
	26-27		
Aug	2-3		
	9-10	Action State Titles	Ballarat
	16-17	ISSF Postal Finals	??
	23	BP Postal Finals	??
	24	Service Postal Finals	??
	23-24	ISSF	Mildura
	30	Practical Postal Finals	??
	31	Action Postal Finals	??
Sep	6-7	ISSF	Yackandandah
	13-14		
	20-21		
	27-28	BP	Warragul Drouin
Oct	4-5	ISSF	Yarra
	11-12		
	18-19		
	25-26		
Nov	1-2		
	8-9	BP	Peninsula
	15-16	ISSF	Oakleigh
	22-23	Service & BP	Yarra
	29-30		
Dec	6-7		
	13-14		

Victorian Top Ten 2002

COMPETITIONS INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE:

ISSF State Titles, Black Powder State Titles, Service State Titles, Round 5-6 + Finals Super 7 Mountain District Service, Warragul/Drouin ISSF + Black Powder, Ballarat ISSF + Service Yarra Action, MISC ISSF, Warrnambool ISSF, Bairnsdale ISSF, Action State Titles, Shepparton ISSF, Mountain District Service (Sep), Peninsula Black Powder, Hamilton Service, Yarra Service + Black Powder, Yackandandah ISSF, Ballarat Black Powder.

FREE PISTOL

State Record 555

John Gillman (1976) Bruce Quick (1998)

1	Quick Bruce	560
2	Iglesias Jose	544
3	Repacholi Daniel	538
	Holden Jack	538
5	Deller Stephen	533
6	Edwards Norm	529
7	Wright Jim	528
8	Boyle Kevin	527
9	Crossman Will	523
10	Martin Russell	519

CENTREFIRE

State Record 585 Bruce Quick (1996)

1	Quick Bruce	582
2	Cumberland Nick	577
	Ryan Noel	577
4	Grant Ray	572
5	Iglesias Jose	568
6	Wattz Alan	566
	Repacholi Daniel	566
8	Holden Jack	565
	Tomassini Paul	565
10	Horton Geoff	562
	Wright Jim	562

RAPID FIRE

State Record 581 Bruce Quick (2000)

1	Quick Bruce	578
2	Ryan Noel	568
3	Finken Lucas	566
	Wright Jim	566
5	Holden Jack	564
	Crossman Will	564
7	Finken Herman	562
	Harvey Graeme	562
9	Edwards Norm	559
10	Scougall Andrew	551

STANDARD PISTOL

State Record 580 Bruce Quick (1999)

1	Quick Bruce	573
2	Yauhleuskaya Lalita	569
3	Ryan Linda	568
4	Ryan Noel	565
5	Crossman Will	564
6	Repacholi Daniel	562
	Woodward Annette	562
8	Iglesias Jose	556
9	Boyle Kevin	555
10	Smith Ern	554

MEN'S AIR PISTOL

State Record 577 B Sandstrom (1999)

1	Quick Bruce	577
	Crossman Will	577
3	Repacholi Daniel	574
4	Iglesias Jose	572
5	Della Stephan	570
6	Edwards Norm	567
7	Ryan Noel	563
8	Cumberland Nick	561
	Holden Jack	561
10	Martin Russell	558

WOMENS SPORT PISTOL

State Record 583 Linda Ryan (2001)

1	Yauhlevskaya Lalita	588
2	Ryan Linda	581
3	Woodward Annette	580
4	Mullens Joy	556
5	Homewood Vivienne	551
6	Gillman Kristy	550
	Lee Cheryl	550
8	Power Helen	547
9	Ryan Helen	545
10	Kirkpatrick Kerry	544

WOMENS AIR PISTOL

State Record 387 Lalita Yauhlevskaya (2002)

1	Yauhlevskaya Lalita	388
2	Ryan Linda	384
3	Gillman Kristy	381
4	Ryan Helen	379
5	Woodward Annette	378
6	David Elvira	372
7	Power Helen	370
	Noble Fiona	370
9	Riella Emma	368
10	Finken Marjo	367
	Mullens Joy	367
	Kirkpatrick Kerry	367

JUNIOR SPORT PISTOL

State Record 578 Andrew Gonczol (1990)

1	Repacholi Daniel	577
2	Finken Lucas	567
3	Coote Dallas	556
4	Koreny Chris	553
5	Mullens Gary	551
6	Robinson Baden	549
7	Murphy Alister	546
8	Riella Emma	543
9	Mullens Colin	542
10	Boyle Christian	526

JUNIOR MEN'S AIR PISTOL

State Record 571 Daniel Repacholli (2000)

1	Repacholi Daniel	569
2	Finken Lucas	564
3	Robinson Baden	563
4	Murphy Alister	549
5	Mullens Colin	546
6	Coote Dallas	540
7	Mullens Gary	536
8	Taylor David	528
9	Burns Keiran	515
10	Boyle Christian	510

JUNIOR LADIES AIR PISTOL

State Record 385 Annemarie Forder (1998)

1	Riella Emma	375
2	Meredith Greta	354
3	Anderson Angela	333
4	Rodger Bronwyn	299
5	Bottrell Chlorie	272
6	Price Danika	271
7	Pethybridge K.	252
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9		
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BLACK POWDER 25 METRE

State Record 378 Noel Ryan (1980)

1	Sammartino John	375
2	Smith Ern	373
3	Vincent Greg	369
4	Hastie David	367
5	Burgess Grant	366
6	Motton Ralph	363
7	Wright Jim	362
8	Scougall Andrew	361
	Cox Jim	361
10	Homewood Vivienne	359

BLACK POWDER 50 METRE

State Record 374 Dennis Martin (1998)

1	Sammartino John	364
2	Vincent Greg	363
3	Smith Ern	359
4	Hastie David	355
5	Cox Jim	344
6	Arden Peter	335
7	Scougall Andrew	333
8	Kennedy Byrnley	328
9	Burgess Grant	327
10	Dunbar Stuart	325

SERVICE PISTOL

State Record 887 Peter Muscat (1991)

1	Winterhalter Chris	870
2	Motton Ralph	864
	Clarke Les	864
4	Olsen Stuart	863
	Sandman Brett	863
6	Doherty Joe	861
7	Perkins David	843
8	Scott Peter	842
9	Eagle Alex	837
10	Facey Jim	832

SERVICE UNRESTRICTED

State Record 886 Peter Muscat (1989)

1	Winterhalter Chris	881
	Doherty Joe	881
3	Clarke Les	880
4	Motton Ralph	874
5	Sandman Brett	867
6	Shoebridge Graeme	863
7	Olsen Stuart	861
	Evans Eddie	861
9	Eagle Alex	856
10	Scott Peter	853

SERVICE 25 YARDS

State Record 621

Ercole Anastasi (1999) Brett Sandman (2002)

1	Sandman Brett	621
2	Motton Ralph	617
3	Winterhalter Chris	615
4	Doherty Joe	614
5	Clarke Les	611
6	Olsen Stuart	606
7	Scott Peter	598
8	Shoebridge Graeme	596
	Perkins David	596
10	Winterhalter Allan	595

ACTION PISTOL

State Record 1920 172X Craig Ginger (2001)

1	Whitehead Tom	1918	165	X
2	Anastasi Ercole	1918	153	X
3	Siebert Richard	1914	145	X
4	Clark Les	1914	136	X
5	Hardy Brian	1908	150	X
6	Bannister Roy	1907	159	X
7	Vezer Laszlo	1905	158	X
8	Kerner Charles	1905	147	X
9	Wilson Don	1901	134	X
10	Brady Allan	1897	141	X

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