

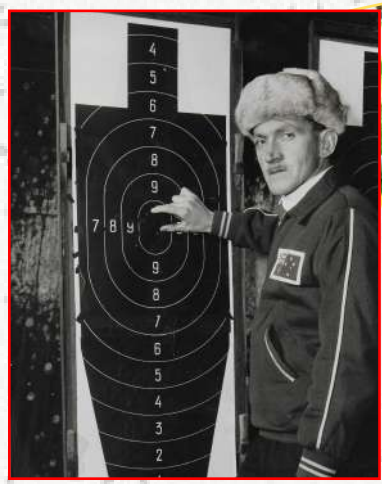


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Editorial

VPN Editor Cath Leask



How can it be December already? Another year done and dusted with so much activity. From local competitions to the Commonwealth Games, club AGMs to the state election, from Graeme Roberts to Bob Maddocks, we've had a jam packed year. We've seen the introduction of new firearms laws and oh, another Prime Minister. And sadly, another tragedy in our very own Bourke Street to which I will pay tribute to our first responders and to those affected. It is confrontatoin and shocking for anyone facing such horror however, for our first responders, they are faced with these events repeatedly. It's no easy gig and I take my hat off to you all.

As for the Victorian Election, we saw unexpected losses, impossible wins in both houses and of course, quite a different cross bench in the Upper House lower house. My interpretation? I think people are sick of the upheaval on a federal level and gone are the days of bad mouthing the other parties. Labor played a smart game, highlighting what they achieved and their future goals. The Coalition unfortunately, did not. People grew tired of the nasty rhetoric, I know I did. Interesting times ahead, indeed.

So! What has Cath been up to? Not nearly as much shooting as I'd like to do, however, I'm in Canberra for a little while- not sure how long- but happily continuing my tenure as Editor. I've rejoined my club here, the Australian Protective Service Gun Club, and in the process of changing my licence over. I pretty much started my service pistol journey here, my Smith & Wesson 586 coming to me from a mentor of mine and one of the founding members of the APSGC, Mick Johns. Needless to say, there is a huge sense of home here and I have some life long friends. My Victorian instructor status has been recognised and I am able to carry on with that which I love the most. Teaching others.

To you all, merry Christmas, and if you don't celebrate christmas, happy holidays. Hug your loved ones tight, tell them how much you appreciate them. Be kind to one another and above all, be kind to yourselves.

May you all shoot straight & all shots on target!

Until next edition,

Cath





'TIS THE SEASON TO BE BETTER THAN YOU WERE LAST YEAR!

Merry Christmas

From all of us here at VAPA

and if Christmas isn't your thing, happy holidays!

Notice To Readers

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VAPA Management Matters

President Bob Maddocks



To say the last few months have been hectic would be an understatement. Since September, I have attended two State Title events at Mountain District PC- WA1500 and Black Powder, the 30th Pistol Australia Action Pistol National Championships at Yarra Pistol Club and the Service State Titles at Mildura. A full report with photos on the Action Pistol Nationals is also included in this issue. Upon seeing all these varied disciplines fully for the first time, it has strengthened my resolve that we need to promote equally all the matches shot under the VAPA umbrella. It is not the question that one discipline is better than another, it's about getting juniors and adults off their butts and taking up shooting as a sport because it is diverse, a sport for the whole family where you can compete from the age of 12 to 92 and best of all, it is fun.

Work continues on the 2019 PA/ISSF Nationals in April and a letter is being sent to all clubs asking for clubs to assist by running a range for a day. It can be ISSF, Service, WA1500 or Black Powder, and as there is no one club that has the resources to run this event which is 10 days long, your support is needed to make this event a success.

We also continue putting together our plans for the Arnold Sports Festival between the 15th and 17th March next year. Full details of the event will be in the February issue of the VPN. Please keep those dates free, we will need a lot of volunteers to help over those three days as there is 20,000+ visitors expected to view our display and try Air Pistol shooting for the first time.

For those who haven't heard, the Department of Sport and Recreation in conjunction with VicSport have set down a list of criteria for all clubs and associations to follow such as good governance practices and 40% gender equality at board level. Implementation is required by the 19th June 2019 or clubs may be excluded from further government funding. To meet the quota, VAPA requires three females on its Executive, the election of Helen Manning as Treasurer gave us a start. Next a proposal by the Executive to the Committee of Management in November to create two new positions on the Executive, both will be appointed positions and both will be for the purpose of meeting future gender equality guidelines.

In order to fulfill the good governance requirement, one position will be called Human Resource Officer or HR Officer and I am happy to announce Michelle Sherson from Beaconsfield PC has volunteered for the roll. Michelle will be looking at and developing proper HR procedures ranging from Child Protection to Lead Contamination guidelines.

I have received a number of enquiries from clubs regarding Clause 76 – *Windup and Cancellation of a Club* in the Model Rules and *Associated Incorporations Reform Act 2012* regarding clubs that own their own land plus general enquiries on changing constitutions etc. In order to get the right answers and add the correct clause into our own constitution to cover gender equality, VAPA has engaged the services of Simon Merritt of Lander & Rogers, a legal firm with a long history in dealing with sporting clubs and associations.

They have put together a template constitution for clubs which includes explanations of clauses and their meanings. This template along with the new procedures being drawn up by the new HR Officer will for the first time give the association a complete “New Club Tool Kit “ were both new and established clubs will have a reference point to start from.

As I stated in the beginning, a lot has happened in the past few months and it does not look as if it is slowing down.

Last but not least on behalf of the executive I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year and may all your New Year resolutions come true.

Good shooting!

Bob



I have a very **strict gun control policy**: if there's a gun around, I want to **be in control of it.**

– Clint Eastwood

VAPA Secretary

Roger Wakelin



50-Year Members Honoured

VAPA have a policy to honour members for 'long service' to the association. VAPA was formed in the 1950's so sadly many of our earliest members have now passed away however, we do have many who joined in the 1960's and, this year, we have a few to honour.

Where possible, these members are invited to attend the bi-monthly Committee of Management meeting where we honour them by presenting them with the 50-Year Medal. Some are able to attend and some aren't. For those who can't, we make arrangements for their Club President to make the presentation either at their club or at their home.

Recently three recipients were able to attend and were presented with their medals. Those that weren't able to attend will be looked after at club level or will be honoured at future meetings.



In September, Clive Whelan of Yarra PC and Ken Brown of Beaconsfield PC received their medals. In our November, meeting we honoured Eileen Pile with her medal.

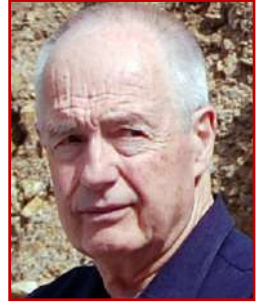
VAPA congratulates all those who achieved this milestone.



Clockwise from top: Peter Davis with Eileen Pile; Bob Maddocks with Ken Brown and Clive Whelan respectively.

On a sad note, we farewell to some our shooting heroes - leaving a massive hole in our sport, in our community and in our lives. Our sport has lost not one, but three of it's great representatives and gentlemen.

its founding members and a driving force in achieving the facilities available at the Club. A tribute to Clive can be found at page 28.



Right: Clive



Left: Neville

Below: Rod

Our thoughts, condolences and best wishes go out to the Sayers, Parsons and Whelan families during this time

Neville Sayers had a life filled with sport, shooting and success. From farming to Olympics, from participation to coaching, we pay tribute to the life of Neville from page 13.

Ballarat PC recently lost one of the hardest working Club Secretaries - Rod Parsons. Rod passed away suddenly, a shock to all that knew him. We farewell Rod on page 27.

And a sad, last minute addition, Clive Whelan, a life member of VAPA, the NRA & Yarra PC, just to name a few, also had an outstanding contribution to the sport as a shooter, an official, the administration. Yarra PC has lost one of



VAPA's role is to provide support and leadership to our clubs and members; if you have a question please contact me via email secretary@vapa.org.au and I will do my best to provide the answer.

Enjoy your shooting,

Roger



A new level of judges

Sharyn Reynolds, National Referee Council



At the annual NRC meeting, it was decided to restructure the PA judging system. The current system has been in place for over 40 years and while it has served PA very well, we need to remember that back in 1972 we only qualified judges for the ISSF matches.

Over time we have embraced a number of new matches and disciplines all with their own rules, practices and traditions. Changing lifestyles have meant that many candidates find it almost impossible to dedicate the time needed for the current theoretical training (attendance at competitions is one thing, the paperwork is another and is often daunting). In brief, and remember this will evolve as time goes on, we intend to implement the following processes.

The NRC will introduce the concept of a judging review panel to assess applications and issue judge licences. A panel will comprise experienced judges qualified in the appropriate discipline(s) and will include only one judge from any one state. Normally it would be expected that the relevant state director will be one of the

members but this may not always be appropriate. A panel will be convened as required and will communicate electronically (e.g. Skype, email etc).

Judge C:

Effectively this will be a judge in training in any one of our supported disciplines. The pre-requisites will be:

- a desire to be a judge;
- experience as a range officer at open and club competition,; and
- attendance at a theory workshop where the emphasis will be on the difference between working as an RO and working as a judge.

Judge B:

Again the candidate will concentrate on one discipline at a time – multi discipline qualifications will be allowed but will not be required. The requirements will be:

- a desire to advance to Judge B;
- work at competitions under the guidance of a qualified and experienced Judge B or A; and
- recommendation from the trainer for sign off as a Judge B.

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Judge A

No longer required to have ISSF as a pre-requisite for black powder or service – in other words Judge A can now be a specialist in one discipline. Of course multi-discipline qualifications will be allowed. The process for assessing a Judge A will be very similar to the present system, which is:

- Experience working at National Championships
- Willingness and ability to work as a trainer – this will be evidenced by either a formal training qualification or proof of workplace training and assessment roles.
- work at the appropriate Nationals under the guidance of the

appointed jury

- an interview with a panel of experienced judges

As part of the restructure the appointed juries at National competitions will also comprise a mixture of Judge A and Judge B – although the inclusion of Judge B will be chiefly aimed at those interested in progressing in time to Judge A.

In addition, there will be no impediment to a member of the jury shooting in the competition provided there are sufficient other judges available in case of any protest or dispute that may involve the judge who is shooting.



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VAPA NEEDS YOU!

VAPA President Bob Maddocks



Reminder! UP & COMING EVENTS!

There are a number of events and projects coming up in the next few months that the association needs help and support from you the members.

2019 PA/ISSF Nationals

Yarra Pistol Club

9th and 20th April 2019

This is a huge event and we require many hands. We need range officers, scorers, patchers, runners, range staff, target runners and general help around the range.

For the first time in over 15 years, an ISSF Nationals is being held in Victoria.

This is a wonderful opportunity to come and see the best shooters in Australia compete AND the chance to make it the best run event in Australia. I would like a club to take on the task of running a range for a full day- members of Diamond Valley have already put up their hand to run a range.

Contact president@vapa.org.au or secretary@yarrapistolclub.com

Arnold's Sport Festival

Jeff's Shed in Melbourne

15th, 16th & 17th March 2019

VAPA are invited to set up our Air Pistol Trailer at the event and it is the first time in Australia that shooting has been represented at this festival. Last year, over 75,000 people attended this event from around Australia and overseas. We require people to run the range and to help set up and pull down, with the added incentive to look around the event during breaks AND possible a photo shoot with the man himself.

Please remember, if we want new members coming into our sport to enjoy what our sport has to offer over the years then it is every member's responsibility to help support VAPA in getting these new members. If we do nothing, eventually our sport will die off as we get too old to shoot.

If you can help, please contact me at president@vapa.org.au

Bob Maddocks
President



VALE NEVILLE SAYERS

VPN Editor Cath Leask



Neville Sayers. A gentleman who has been the life blood of our sport. A gentleman whose contribution to our sport is so significant, our sport would not be what it is today, or any day. A gentleman whose commitment is unparalleled.

Neville Sayers. A life member of VAPA, Victorian Amateur Modern Pentathlon Association, Lang Lang Pistol Club Inc., Melbourne International Shooting Club Inc. and the Firearms Traders Association, a former Olympian, a team manager for many local, national and international events events, he has held 17 executive Committee positions including Secretary of LLPC for 50 years or so.

Neville Sayers. A gentleman passed away on 4 October 2018, not far of his 92nd birthday. He shares his birthday with my daughter and looking at his memoirs, I'm sure he would have been taught by my Great Grandfather at Dookie College. He may have even known my Granny, who lived there too

Neville Sayers. From dairy farmer to gun dealer to security agent, one thing is for certain, the shooting sports were a massive part of his life.

Neville Sayers. A pioneer of modern pentathlon in Victoria and Australia. In 1956, Neville won the first Australian modern pentathlon championship prior to the Australian team debuting at the 1956 Melbourne Olympic Games. In his first Olympic Games, Neville competed against 39 other participants, finishing at 19th place and formed part of the Australian team contribution to an eighth place finish.

Neville represented Australia in rapid fire pistol at the 1960 Rome Olympics propelling him into the exclusive club of competing at Olympic level in more than one sport. Neville also went on to perform a variety of team management roles, international judge, member of Olympic Juries of Appeal and a vice president of the International Modern Pentathlon Union. Neville's Olympic achievements:

www.sports-reference.com/olympics/athletes/sa/neville-sayers-1.html

I am sure I speak for all of us when I extend my gratitude. Thank you Neville, thank you for your service to our sport. Please take the time to read his memoir starting page 15.

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Modern Pentathlon, Competitor

1956 - Melbourne, Olympic Games

1960 - Rome, Olympic Games

1969 - Bloemfontein, South African Games seniors triathlon event

Pistol, Competitor

1958 - Moscow, World Shooting Championships

1960 - Rome, Olympic Games.

1962 - Cairo, World Shooting Championships

Sectional/Team Manager

1962 - Mexico City, World Pentathlon Championships

1964 - Tokyo, Olympic Games

1965 - Leipzig, World Pentathlon Championships

1966 - Weisbaden, World Shooting Championships

1968 - Mexico City, Olympic Games

Australian Chef de Mission

1974 - Moscow, World Pentathlon Championships

1975 - Mexico City, World Pentathlon Championships

1977 - San Antonio USA. World Pentathlon Championships

1979 - Budapest, World Pentathlon Championships

1980 - Madrid, World Junior Pentathlon Championships (Team Coach)

1982 - Caracas World Shooting Championships



*Above: Neville Sayers of Australia in the 4,000 metres cross country section of the modern pentathlon at Oaklands Junction, Victoria
Below: Neville Sayers shooting in the modern pentathlon, Williamstown, Victoria. Both pictures by Bruce Howard November 1956*



NEVILLE SAYERS - A MEMOIR

19/1/1927- 4/10/2018



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CHANGE OF LIFE STYLE

After I matriculated at C.B C College, St Kilda in 1943, news of my immediate future was imparted to me by my father. It was that I would be going to Agricultural College and my life, in the immediate future at least, would be in dairy-farming. To this end, he purchased a dairy farm at Lang Lang, approximately 50 miles from Melbourne, on the South Gippsland Highway.

To say that I was thrilled at this prospect would be far from the truth as I had in mind to attend Duntroon Military College, but my father, in good faith, decided that my younger brother, Brian, and I would have healthy, outdoor lives on the farm and “live happily ever after”. I was far from enthusiastic about this as was my piano teacher, Mother Gabrielle at Star of the Sea Convent. Even now I can still see her, with tears in her eyes exclaiming “Oh! Those hands, Oh! Those hands” - at that stage I had been learning piano for approximately 5 years.

As there was a share-farmer operating the farm, and he would not finish his

tenure for over two years, Brian and I spent several months on the farm “learning the ropes” until the Agricultural Diploma Course began at Dookie Agricultural College. I attended the college and on successfully completing my three year course there and later I spent a year at Melbourne University doing 1st Year Ag. Science.

I began working for the share-farmer on our property for the wage of 30 shillings plus board per week, and I joined in all the routine work of milking the 100 cows (by machine). There was other routine work which covered the managing of the live-stock and pastures including harvesting in season. As the farm marketed “whole milk” for the Melbourne retail trade, the routine of the farm continued for the whole of the year, which, of course, usually included a wet winter and spring with the resulting early cold mornings and almost endless mud.

To us city boys used to riding their “bikes” wherever they went in those days, the mud was quite a trial, particularly when you brought the cows up each day for milking.... Forget the bikes, even horses got bogged sometimes.

Working conditions were not improved by the fact that the share farmer could be quite brutal. It was quite a shock to me having been brought up in a firm but loving household to see the "boss" not only treating the animals harshly but also members of his own family in the same manner. On occasions, I can remember seeing him chase his wife out of the house "swearing" and shouting at her over a perceived misdemeanor.

He could not afford to treat me, the boss's son, badly in any physical way but he did punish me very cruelly to "put me in my place". I had a lovely quiet Irish Setter dog which he always resented. Finally he told me that the dog was a nuisance about the place and in spite of my pleas, he took her out and shot her. The act of shooting a dog is not cruel if it is done humanly and for a good reason. There was no good reason in this case. I never forgave him.

BLUEY

Bluey was a female Staghound that I acquired many years after the previous episode. She was a young blue-grey female pup and I had her for many years. She used to follow me all about the farm. Basically she was of hunting breed, but she was so docile with the children she was the direct opposite -pliant and docile. They would play

with her on the back lawn and pull her around by the tail and she not raise a growl.

She was extra friendly, particularly with the dog/s next door. When Bluey was in season nothing stopped her from "fraternizing" with one or other (or all) of the dogs next door. You could tie her up or lock her in the shed, but the result was the same. There were not many doors left on the sheds that did not have quite a big hole chewed in them, just big enough for a slender staghound bitch to get through.. She would be back home next day with her famous grin from ear to ear (ref below) as if to say "Tricked you again". The only thing left to do was to take bets on what color the pups would be.

However, she was a hunting dog and she would chase rabbits and tackle foxes for me. Unfortunately she hunted by sight and not by smell. This caused her quite a bit of discomfort, and pain at times, as she would chase a rabbit which might run under a barbed wire fence. While watching the rabbit, she did not see the fence but would hit it and in some cases, with open jaws, and it would result in injuries to her jaws. She would then come back to me and I would have to sew up each side of her jaws where the wire tore her.

After this happening quite a few times she always looked as if she had a permanent grin on her face. In not one case did she try and restrain me as I was sewing her up.

On one occasion we were checking stock on a "Bush Paddock" where we kept young stock over winter, I saw a fox that was running up a hill quite a distance from us. Knowing that we could not outpace it, I decided that we would approach the hill from the opposite direction. As chance would have it, the fox reached the summit of the hill just as Bluey and I reached it from the opposite direction. All three of us got such a shock at our mutual proximity that we all came to grinding halt only feet apart.

Bluey pounced and the fox defended itself and there resulted a classical deadlock with the fox and Bluey locking jaws and neither giving way. I had to resolve the situation by giving the fox (a bit unfairly) a "coup de gras", thus releasing Bluey.

However my association with Bluey ended very sadly for us both. One cardinal rule for having a dog in a rural area is that it cannot be allowed to chase livestock unless it is a part of

their work. Bluey did not operate by herself in this respect but did make contact with some dogs that did, so she joined them. The pack was seen chasing sheep and Bluey was recognized by the owner of the sheep who came to see me about it. Nothing could be done about this except that the animal must be "put down" e.g. "executed".



The sheep owner, a friend, was sympathetic and offered to do it for me, but I could not trust anyone else to do it. We- Bluey and I, walked together as if we were going to enjoy ourselves and we ended up in a lovely little wooded park, not far from the farmhouse where we often hunted rabbits, I sat on a log and she sat on her haunches and looked up to me as if to say...Well Nev, what are we going to do now? I squeezed the trigger. She stiffened and died instantly. No-one can convince me that "SHE WAS ONLY A DOG". That was over 50 years ago and I have not had another dog since that time.

DULCIE

While at Dookie Agricultural College (D.A.C) many of the students, including myself, spent most weekends when not working on the College farm, travelling to the townships of Shepparton or Benalla. Both these townships were only about one hour travel by the College bus. Sporting matches could be arranged to attend to play football or cricket against local teams during the day. Evening activities to attend films or dances at night had to be self-organized so that students who went by the bus also travelled back to the college by bus.

Some of the students having bicycles, such as myself, liked to organize themselves. My favorite town was

Shepparton, about 20 miles from the College. We would cycle down on a Saturday afternoon, go to a film or a country dance at night and cycle back arriving after midnight at the College.

One such trip changed my life forever. A friend and I were cycling to Shep, as we called it, and on the trip he suggested that I come with him as he was calling to take a young lady to a film. The reason given to go with him was that the mother of the young lady put on a "beaut" afternoon tea with hot scones with jam and cream. He won me and we duly arrived at the home of the lady who was going to treat us to, what to us as Dookie College boys, was going to be a feast.



Above and over: Young Neville on the farm.



My friend did not exaggerate the situation. We were treated royally and I even played a tune on the piano for our hostess. Then, while my friend was arranging things for the evening, I wandered down to the stables where I came across another daughter, Dulcie, a beautiful, blond young lady who was grooming the horse that she had been out riding.

I was so impressed I asked her if she would come to the “pictures” with us that night. The answer was that she would have to ask her mother. We went back to the house and the question was put. Dulcie’s mother agreed on the condition that the four of us stayed together and walk home together. As Dulcie did not usually go out at night, her mother must have thought that I was a “good” boy - after all, I did play the piano.

All went well according to plan until, on

the walk home, her elder sister insisted that Dulcie and I walk on the opposite side of the street. This seemed fair and Dulcie and I reached the home front gate before the other two arrived. As I was about to say goodnight, I was cut off by Dulcie putting her arms round my neck and giving me a kiss. She quickly released me and rushed inside leaving me not a little stunned, standing on the footpath.

On those occasions we did not go out at night but we would spend the evening, with me playing on the piano and Dulcie sitting on the couch knitting dresses for herself. It was a very safe situation and as long as the piano kept sounding we were trusted.

Even when I graduated and there was a Graduation Ball organized at the College, Dulcie was not allowed to go and I had to take her older sister instead.

It reminded me of the old music hall song ... "And her mother came too".

Soon after there was a College presentation day and my mother and father drove up from Melbourne to attend that ceremony and to take me home to Melbourne.

Dulcie's mother ("Nan" by now) invited them to call to their home in Shep. and to meet them and have afternoon tea. During the conversation my mother invited Dulcie to come for Easter and stay with us in Melbourne for a few days. Whatever qualms that Dulcie's mother may have had were dispelled by meeting with my parents.

Dulcie finished school soon after and came to Melbourne and lived with an aunt in the suburbs. She started a career as a mannequin for leading fashion designers and as a photographic model working for the top photographers in Melbourne such as Athol Smith, Helmet Newton, Peter Fox, Ross Boardman. She appeared in many fashion houses' catalogues and exhibitions in Australia. She was among the top ten fashion models in Australia at that time.

Dulcie was selected to model the wedding dress at a major Fashion Show at the Melbourne Exhibition Buildings.

Some publicity was about that she would wear this dress at her own wedding that was due soon. She decided that, after wearing the dress off and on for over a week she wanted to chose her own wedding dress, which she did. One reporter wrote in "Truth" newspaper "Leading model doomed to marry dairy-farmer". No-one could have imagined that after leading own lives (off and on) for approximately five years we would marry and at the time of writing this, be married 64 years with four children and 20 grandchildren and great grandchildren. Such is life!



GUNS AND SHOOTING

I had been interested in guns and shooting from an early age. I remember going to the Saturday film matinees when I was as young as six years old. The western movies were always my favourites with such stars as Buck Jones, Hoot Gibson, Tom Mix and all the "goodies" in white hats, and the "baddies" in black hats.

My father had a single barrel shotgun with which he went quail and rabbit shooting. It was an old gun but not very powerful and classed as a specimen gun, but, of course any gun is dangerous and he always kept it unloaded in a cupboard.

This gun on two occasions gave me a fright, one of which could have been fatal, and it taught me a valuable lesson that lasted all of my life. It happened like this... My mother and father were going out on a special occasion one evening, leaving my cousin, who was staying with us, and I alone. We were about the same age 10 or 11. My parents told our neighbor to keep an eye on us and told us that if we were worried about anything that we could call on our neighbor who lived in an adjoining flat.

All went well until our neighbor came and told us not to open the door to anyone as there was a "strange man" wandering about.



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After she had gone we discussed what we should do and I remembered where the shotgun was kept. My cousin and I decided that we would load the gun as I knew where the “shells” were kept.



This we did while we prepared to go to bed, he kept the loaded gun pointing at the bedroom door while I got undressed. Then I got into bed and did the same as he got undressed and into bed. There was no calamity that night, no strangers knocking at the front door. All was calm and we, two nervous little boys eventually dropped off to sleep.

When my parents arrived home, my mother’s first action was to go and check that the “little darlings” were safe in bed and asleep. She saw the shotgun across the two little sleeping angels. Her only thought was that the little ones had been playing “cops and robbers”. She picked up the gun and without a further thought put it back in the cupboard, not realizing that it was loaded. When they

woke up in the morning our two little innocents had forgotten all about the gun that was nowhere in sight.

Months passed with the “time bomb” still in the cupboard until there was a birthday party for a group of little boys and girls. One little boy saw the gun in the cupboard and brought it out. He pointed it at a little girl and said “I am going to shoot you”.

The little girl said “Don’t point that at me... It might go off”, and she pushed the barrel of the gun away just as it went off. The words and the report of the gun still ringing in my ears after all that time, and, after nearly eighty years it was an experience that never left me, particularly when I was instructing others including my own children. Of course, that incident broke up the party as well as blowing a hole in a nearby door.



Above: Dulcie & Neville

Sometimes if I cannot sleep, the incident returns to me as a nightmare as I think of what might have been. I console myself in the knowledge that the incident was a incentive to bring up boys that know the story so that, with a life of target shooting in international events and on the farm, shooting remains a safe sport for them.

I continued with my interested in shooting, joining the Lang Lang Rifle Club and shooting in competitions as a member of the Lang Lang Team. When I went to Agricultural College some of us students wasted no time in resurrecting the Rifle Club, that had a long history. It's rifle range extended over 800 yards. However, there was a problem in that all the rifles had been taken in by the government at the start of the war. This raised the problem of having a great rifle club, but no rifles.

The matter was soon solved. One of the Melbourne University students, a good friend of mine, was able to assist. I might explain that there were some of these students "doing:" their compulsory year of practical work for their Melbourne University Degree of Agricultural Science course. The person with whom I was friends, Pierre, was deaf and dumb from birth. He was a brilliant student in spite of his handicap

and was the son of Brigadier General Gorman. who, on an appeal from Pierre managed to supply the college with a shipment of suitable rifles and ammunition so that the Rifle Club could resume activity.



The members of the Rifle Club made good use of the rifles every week-end, and inn many cases, which included myself, inflicting damage to our hearing. In those days we (as were many other shooters, at home and in the war) were ignorant of the effects of loud noise such as from high velocity ammunition. We had not heard about hearing protection in those days. When we did it was too late. I remember coming back from the shooting range with my ears "ringing" and that ringing persisted for periods which kept extending as we continued the sport. The effect was not reversible. It did not go away but kept getting more persistent. I need a hearing aid to this day.

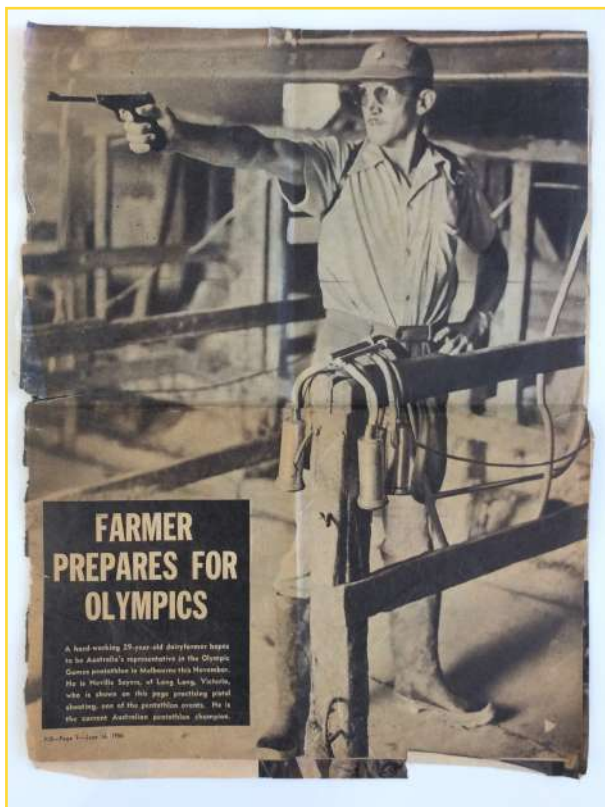
In 1958, I started the Lang Lang Pistol Club and remained as Secretary and later Chairman until the present time (2014). I soon collected a group from around the district and afar that were keen to start shooting. One of the group was the owner of a gravel quarry and as the initial problem was to find a suitable and safe site for the range we used the quarry for the purpose for our initial shooting. We had to shoot from a bank of the quarry down into the quarry itself.

After an initial period, and getting organized with the pistol Association, we decided to drain the quarry and dig out the bank so as to lower our shooting position to the same level as the targets on the floor of the quarry. This resulted in competitions being conducted here that had the approval of the Victorian Pistol Association. This heralded and included the first Lang Lang Pistol Championship to be held on the range. The winner of the event was won by the first Australian Champion in Centre-Fire Pistol Peter Garrett who later represented Australia in World Shooting Championship held

in Moscow in 1958.

I was second in the first Lang Lang Championships and as Australian Rapid-Fire Champion also went to Moscow that year with Peter. The other member of the Australian Pistol Team that year was John Tremeling of South Australia, who was Australian Free Pistol Champion

Our first Annual General Meeting of the Lang Lang Pistol Club was held in October 1958 with 11 members.



MOSCOW 1958 WORLD SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

I will never forget winning the rapid fire competition in the inaugural Australian Pistol Shooting Championship in Hobart. I did not know or could have imagined the ramifications of that victory would be. As it was, I was quite nervous, and if I had have known that I was shooting for a place in an Australian team to go overseas to the World Championships, I do not think that I would have won in Hobart.

The event consisted of shooting at five man-sized silhouette targets in each series with the targets only shown for set times. The first time was 8 seconds for 5 shots, then, 6 seconds and finally, 4 seconds. The shooter with the most "hits" wins the event.

This competition was conducted over two days in the open with no protection from sun, wind or rain. with 30 shots on each day. After the first day there were only two shooters with 30 hits and I was one of them. With the "luck of the draw" I was picked to shoot after my opponent and when he had several misses it meant that I had to have all hits (not necessarily all "bulls") to win.

The conditions had been very bad, with cross winds blowing the targets out of

their frames. On the second day the winds had abated somewhat. My opponent shot before me and had several misses. It came my turn and up until then my teammates had been bombarding me with advise on how to keep calm but by doing so, they only made me more nervous and shaking.

It came my turn to shoot and I decided that I would not shoot for a top score but it would be all hits or "nothing". The 8 and 6 second runs were not too bad and I got all hits, however the final and most difficult, the 4 second runs were most testing. I was shaking like a leaf and I kept shooting almost automatically wherever I saw a target behind my "sights" whether it was in the "knee" area or between the "eyes". They were all hits, and I had won with a score of 499, with 60 hits. Other place-getters had more points but they had one or more "misses".

Before that, I had missed out for a place in shooting for the 1956 Olympics in Melbourne but I managed to make the Modern Pentathlon Team for that event. Even then it was touch and go, as I had a riding accident about six weeks before the event.

During the Cross Country Equestrian event I had quite an upsetting accident.

The week-end before I had been competing in pistol eliminations and I missed the demonstration of the riding course for the Olympic Selection trial for the pentathlon cross country ride of 3 miles. My wife and I arrived late and walked the course on our own but missed seeing a water-logged part of the course which was pointed out to the other competitors.

On the day of the competition I was riding the course and after I jumped a particular jump and was looking for the next jump, the horse hit the water-logged part of the course and went down on its knees. It threw its head back and hit me on the face, I catapulted over its head, hit my head on the ground, receiving concussion, slid along on my face, breaking my nose and tearing the skin of my jaw away.

This necessitated over 30 stitches inside and outside my mouth when I reached hospital. I also lost the front part of my tongue.

The next week-end I competed in the second elimination shoot for the shooting team but did not get far. Apart from the fact that my head was encased in plaster, I managed to eliminate myself when the loaded magazine fell from my pistol as I raised it to shoot. I lost five

shots. Very careless of me. However six weeks later I managed to qualify to compete in the Rome Olympics in Modern Pentathlon and Shooting.

Melbourne 1956

In spite of having after effects of my riding disaster in the 1956 Pentathlon selection trials I was selected No 1 for the four man team (3 competitors and 1 Reserve). I was nominated No 1 (subject to fitness). I had about six weeks in which to get to the stage of being confirmed in the team.



EDITOR NOTE: and here is where neville's memoir ends but the story goes on. Neville went on to represent Australia and our sport not only as a competitor but in management and coaching (see story page 13). You've done us all proud, Neville. May you rest in peace and be always remembered with fondness and respect. CL



VALE ROD PARSONS, BALLARAT PC

With a heavy heart, we received notification that Rod Parsons, the well loved Secretary of Ballarat PC passed suddenly on 15 October 2018. Rod joined the Ballarat PC in May 2008, so he just made 10 years. He has filled the shoes of Secretary for some time, and did a brilliant job in that role. He was well liked at the club and would go out of his way to help members as needed.

For those avid readers of the VPN, you might remember articles about the Teachers Games. Rod was incredible, he was proactive in organising the last teachers games that were held at the club in September this year.

Rod enjoyed his shooting and, whilst he mainly competed in Service Match events at the club as well as competing at Horsham and Mid Murray, he also enjoyed competing in some of the ISSF matches, mainly centre fire and standard. Rod recently bought a service rifle and had started to shoot in our service rifle match.

Rod leaves a big hole in the shooting community, within the club and of course with his family. Thanks for the years we had you Rod.



VALE CLIVE WHELAN 1937-2018



Sadly, the sport of pistol shooting has lost another gentleman; a great supporter and contributor- both here and overseas- representing Australia in various roles.

Much of Clive's life was spent in the automotive and heavy truck parts industry, both in his own business and in senior executive appointments up to MD/CEO level.

After the family business was sold, Clive farmed in the Tarrawarra -Yarra Glen area for 8 years. Mostly grazing, some market gardening, plus earthmoving contracting, land clearing & dam building.

As proprietor of Precision Pest Animal Services, specialising in pest animal culling with night vision scopes, infra-red trackers and silencers, Clive was accredited under the SSAA Conservation Pest Management Program and with DSE & Parks Victoria to provide services to their programs controlling pest animals in National Parks.

With the Pastures Protection Board, Clive formed part of the feral pig eradication at Conamble and in the

MacQuarrie Marshes using ground and helicopter techniques with red-dot mounted FN/SLR's semi-automatic rifles and Benelli semi-automatic shotguns.

During the 1980's and 1990's, Clive was the Australian importer of Benelli shotguns, Taurus handguns, Peters-Stahl handguns, PRO-V red-dot sights & Manurhin handguns.

During, and subsequent to, the 2009 Black Saturday bushfires in Victoria, Clive spent several weeks with Wildlife Victoria in the bushfire affected areas humanely euthanizing fire injured animals. Wildlife Victoria recognised those involved with special achievement awards.

Since ceasing business activities, Clive pursued activities in opal cutting, coins, hunting, competition pistol shooting and international refereeing (pistol shooting).



From club level to international Clive made a significant contribution. He was a life member of Yarra Pistol Club, serving as President for many years. He served as Executive Officer of VAPA, as well as serving on the Firearms Appeals Committee, Firearms Consultative Committee, Hunting Advisory Committee and many others.

At a national level, Clive was a past Vice- President of Pistol Australia and National Director, Action Pistol. At international level, Clive was awarded life membership of the NRA for his significant contributions.

Clive was responsible for establishing Action Match in Australia and instrumental in Australian teams being invited to attend the Bianchi Cup where he served as Official Referee several times, or supporting our shooters as Team Manager.

Clive was also state record holder for Service Pistol Unrestricted, and won several Club Champion honours. Clive was also an avid and keen hunter in Australia and overseas to USA, NZ and Africa.

In 2000, Clive was awarded the Australian Sports Medal for services to pistol shooting.

In 2018, VAPA presented Clive with his 50-year membership medal. It was only in the past few weeks that Clive decided to retire from active shooting.

We will miss you Clive – thank you for your friendship and enormous contribution to our sport. Our deepest sympathy goes to Marie and the family.

Roger Wakelin
on behalf of Victorian Amateur Pistol Association Inc.



Above: Clive with his daughter, Suzanne

MEMBERSHIP:

- National Rifle Association of America, Life Member 1965
- Yarra Pistol Club, Honorary Life Member 1969
- Pistol Australia/VAPA 1969
- 3rd Military District Pistol Club 1979
- The Vintagers (Order of Edwardian Gunners) Inc. 2002 a
- Field and Game Association of Australia 2004
- Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (Member for Life)
- Deerstalkers Club, Big Game Rifle Club 1962
- Australian Deer Association

COMPETITION:

- Victorian State Pistol Team (ISSF & Service Pistol) many times since 1971
- State Champion (Service Pistol Unrestricted) 1985, 86 & 87
- State Record Holder (Service Pistol Unrestricted) 1985 & 87
- Victoria Police Combat Pistol Champion 1989, runner-up 1986 & 88
- Member of 9 National Championship Army Pistol Teams (Serving and Reserve), Australian Police & Services National Championship 1983, 84, 86, 88, 97, 2002, 2009, 2010 & 2013
- Australian Army Shooting Team (Pistol), Brunei 1989
- National Senior Pistol Champion at the Australian Police & Service Championships 1991, 1992 & 2002
- Victorian Senior Action Pistol Champion, Geelong 1995

- Yarra Pistol Club, Club Champion many times in Centrefire & Service Pistol
- 3rd Military District Pistol Club, Champion (Service Pistol) 2011 & 2013
- National Champion Army Reserve (Division 2A), Police and Services National Pistol Championships, Adelaide 2013

ADMINISTRATION:

- President, Yarra Pistol Club 1978-82, 2009-11, Vice President 1972-73, Senior Vice-President 2001-2003
- Victorian Executive Officer to Pistol Australia 1979-82, 1985-88, 1995-97
- Vice President, Pistol Australia 1988-91
- Chairman, NRA Action Pistol Sub-Committee 1988
- National Director, Action Pistol 1996-98

GOVERNMENT:

- Victorian Firearms Consultative Committee 1993-1997
- Victorian Firearms Appeals Committee 1997-2015
- Victorian Hunting Advisory Committee 2009-13
- Victorian Firearms Consultative Committee 2013-15
- Technical Committee, State Multi-discipline Shooting Complex 2010-13
- Victorian Shooting Sports Facilities Program Advisory Committee 2014-17
- Victorian Firearms Safety Foundation 2015-17
- Australian Sports Medal 2000

REFEREE:

- National Rifle Association of America, Official Referee 1995–2015
- Proficiency Examiner, Pistol Australia Holster Qualification
- Judge “B” Action Pistol 1990 – 1993
- Member -Jury of Appeal, Australian National Pistol Championships in ISSF, Service , Action Pistol & Metallic Silhouette 1989-91
- NRA Official Referee:
 - Canberra International Action Trophy Championships 1995
 - NRA Bianchi Cup, National Action Pistol Championships 2000
- NRA Chief Referee & Official Referee:
 - 1995 World Police & Fire Games (1500/ PPC & IPSC)
 - 1997 World Action Pistol Championships, Adelaide
 - 1999 World Action Pistol Championships, Hamilton NZ
 - 2008 World Action Pistol Championships, Hamilton NZ
- Protest Committee:
 - NRA Midway USA Bianchi Cup, National Action Pistol Championships Columbia, Missouri 1994, 1998, 2003-12.
 - World Action Pistol Championships 1994, 2004, 2006.
- Chairman Protest Committee
 - NRA-Midway USA-Bianchi Cup National Action Pistol Championships- Columbia Missouri 2013-15
 - World Action Pistol Championships

Rockcastle Shooting Centre, Park Mammoth Kentucky, USA 2014

*Other –

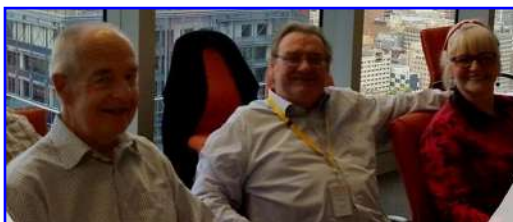
Bianchi Cup Europe, Protest Committee and operations advisor 1994
NRA Consultant for Action Pistol and WA1500/PPC events, World Masters Games , Melbourne 2002

COACHING:

- Accredited Level 1 Coach (Pistol)- Australian Coaching Council.
- Coached:
 - US National Action Pistol Champion
 - Australian Womens Action Pistol Champion
 - Four time State Junior Champion
 - Many Army Pistol Team Champions

TEAM MANAGEMENT

First Australian Action Pistol Team Manager to the NRA Bianchi Cup - US National Action Pistol Championships in 1989, 90 & 91



Above: Clive with Russell Pearson and Marion Barnes JP



Metallic Silhouette Big Bore Nationals

Sept 2018 at Narrabri NSW by Lachlan Moore Yarra PC



The Victorian team of Mick Arden (Euroa PC), Dad and I (Yarra PC) met at Tullamarine. Mick even managed to make the flight this time. It started out as a mid-morning flight from Melbourne airport to Sydney airport which was quite uneventful.

As we touched down in Sydney at 1:35, I checked the time for our connecting flight to Tamworth airport. It turned out our next flight boarded at 1:35 and by the time we got off our first flight, our next flight had announced last call for the three of us which was a little bit stressful as we couldn't find the terminal. We only just made it with about a minute to spare because they were still loading our luggage.

A short two-hour drive from Tamworth and we were at Narrabri but too late to do any sighting in for the next day.

Friday morning, after gun check, shooting started around 9am and it wasn't too bad a day, not overly windy and the lighting conditions were good. Even in these conditions, it was still a challenge shooting out to 200 metres as, not only my sight adjustments, but most people's were a bit different from normal for the whole weekend. Only one shooter managed a perfect score of 40 for the day. Our scores for the day were okay and I managed a good score of 29 in the unlimited event. Those half scale turkeys at 150 metres are hard to shoot.



*From Left:
Victoria, Queensland,
New South Wales
team members*



Saturday, though, was a whole different ball game; our guns went from being happy with no issues to downright annoying. The first stuff up happened with myself when an unburnt grain of powder got stuck behind the extractor star in my Smith and Wesson revolver which wouldn't let the cylinder close.

I lost 10 shots before we got it sorted. It has been quite a problematic gun with too many issues to count so, for me, it's time to upgrade to a Freedom Arms .357 revolver. I'm not complaining, it's going to be a cheap upgrade for me as I don't have to put in a cent which is like all my shooting. Dad pays for it all and I get to shoot it all, it's a great system.

The second stuff up of the day happened with my dad, when a loaded round got stuck in the chamber and wouldn't close or come out as the extractor couldn't get enough grip to remove the case. After removing the bolt, we had to take it off the line and get our third Victorian team member Mick to remove the case. Lucky, as he is a quite a handy gunsmith. The rest of the Saturday was pretty uneventful, and Mick got his act together and shot a 40 in the revolver event.

Sunday was an old but painfully annoying challenge for most shooters as

the majority of people left the standing event to the last day and coincidentally just to throw in an extra challenge to the shooters, it turned out to be quite a windy day.

Now for most pistol matches weather isn't a huge factor on your shooting but when you're shooting out to 200 metres while standing with the wind blowing you around, it becomes a huge challenge to hit the target.

All events were completed early afternoon followed by shoot-offs to determine the final placing of everyone.

Mick Arden did very well and finished the weekend with a third placing overall for the event with an aggregate for the 4 matches of 137 out of 160. It was tough competition in the junior aggregate with myself being the only junior there for the weekend.

I managed to just scrape by and place first. Out of the 3 state teams represented, the results are as follows:

- First place: New South Wales
- Second Place: Queensland
- Third Place: Victoria

more photos overleaf





above: the national top 3; below: PA President Ray Andrews presenting to Lachlan Moore



Action Pistol National Championships

23-27 October 2018 by Bob Maddocks, Match Director



It has been over 17 years but the Pistol Australia Nationals are back in Victoria. Over five days, 42 of the best competitors from around Australia descended on the newly constructed ranges at Yarra PC to compete in the **30th Pistol Australia Action Pistol National Championships**. The weather was great, the facilities excellent, volunteers, competitors and officials worked hard to make this a memorable event.

All were impressed with the openness, size of the ranges and the fact they were undercover. It is a credit to all the members of Yarra PC for the hard work and effort they have put in over the past couple of years, there were many comments about getting their friends to come here next time we hold the event. After speeches from Ray Andrews (Pres. PA), Craig Parke (Pres. Yarra) and Bob Maddocks (Pres. VAPA), the honour of opening the Nationals was handed over to Clive Whelan.

Clive is not only a Life Member of Yarra, Life Member of VAPA and ex Vice President of PA but he was the person responsible in 1988 for bringing

into and setting up Action Pistol and Service Pistol in Australia. You would say he is the proud father of this event in Australia.

For the uninitiated, Action Pistol is broken up into two main events Metallic Sight and Open and each event broken down again to 4 stages Practical, Barricade, Falling Plate and Mover. There are 48 rounds shot per stage so the total score is 1920 (192X).

The event calls for competitors to shoot left and right of barricades, standing and prone positions, using both left and right hand and targets moving across the range over a distance of 60 feet in 6 secs with distances ranging from 10yds to 50yds and times between 3 and 15 secs.

On top of that shooters have to start standing with their hands shoulder high and remember how many shots on each target, no easy feat.





If you have never seen this event do yourself a favour go to the next open and have a look but remember your earmuffs as it is very very loud.

The scores were high and two Australian records were broken, both by Nigel Gordon of Queensland with a score of 1908 (130x) in Metallic Sight and 3826 (297x) in Iron Man.

Victoria did not come away empty handed with the Victoria Team of Zeljko

Cvetnic, Mark Blake and Dickie Siebert taking second place in the Open event. Mark Blake took 3rd place overall in Metallic Sight (1850 -126x) and Iron Man (3764-293x). Cherie Blake took 2nd place overall in Open (1916 - 161x), 1st in Female Open (1916 – 161x) and 1st in Metallic Sight 1811 – 96x).

For a full rundown of scores and winners, head the PA website, click on *Results- National Championships – Action Pistol*.

above: the new Yarra range; below: competitors and spectators





*L to R:
Ray Andrews PA
Clive Whelan Yarra PC
Bob Maddocks VAPA*

The event ended on Saturday night with the Presentation Dinner held at the Yarra PC clubrooms. Nigel needed a carry bag to take home his prizes with Cherie and Mark Blake bantering over who was above who in the rankings.

The tables were set out in black and gold with the PA backdrop behind the dais, the food was supplied by Hot Rod Roast and everyone had a great time with Ray Andrews thanking both VAPA and Yarra for putting on a great event. No event on this scale can be done by one person. It started 7 months ago with the sub-committee of Steve Hedger, Lisa Leticq, Colleen Kassirov, John Kelly, Damien Morris, Sharron Reynolds, Bob Lester and myself.

To Steve who organised volunteers and repairs, Lisa compiling the entry form, John for infrastructure and who I spent 8 hrs waiting at Yarra for the delivery of

the new flag poles, Damien for organising all new signage and stationary.

A special thank you to Colleen who did a tremendous amount of work designing the polo shirts, badges, obtaining items for the competitors bags and organising, setting up and decorating the tables for the presentation dinner which ended the event on a high note. Thank you to Craig, Zeljko, Don, Alan and Geoff the Action Match shooters at Yarra who did a great job setting up the range back in August for the State Titles and helped iron out the bugs for the Nationals. Geoff Horton for the squadding and taking over as organising secretary at the last minute, he spent all his time in the scoring area with Sharon and Bob. Not an easy place to be when you see the scores shot and there is no backing targets to rely on.

Thank you to Sharon Reynolds and Bob Lester for their knowledge and experience that guided us along the way and to the VAPA executive who help in medal preparations, engraving of medals and Roger who correlated and printed of the competitors booklets within 24hrs.

To people like Alex and Liz Ligeti who walked for miles over the 4 days delivering targets from the range to the scoring shed, Ian Shannon who helped set the ranges with Bob Lester, Alan Howard from MDPC helping out on the ranges. To the ladies who manned the kitchen to feed the competitors well done, but a special thank you to Di Horton (Yarra) who manned the kitchen for 4 days, ably assisted by Sue Howard (MDPC). Without these two ladies, we would have gone hungry.

To all the other members of Yarra PC who volunteered over the 5 days you are a credit to your club and to the association.



Lastly I want to thank the competitors, both at the State Titles and now the Nationals, your support of each other, pitching in and basically running the event along with having a good time on the range is a credit to your sport and to shooting in general.

I look forward to seeing every back in Victoria when we hold the next Nationals.



*above: Liz & Alex
Ligeti;
right: Geoff, Clive &
Ray presenting the
medals*



AROUND THE CLUBS: YACKANDANDAH



YACKANDANDAH PC OPEN

On the weekend of the 19-21 October Yack. held a very successful Open competition, with 73 registered competitors. We had 18 people camping on the range, thankfully we have showers and toilets.



The weekend started with Air Pistol being shot on the Friday night. Saturday turned out to be very busy with Air, Centrefire/Sport and Standard being shot. With a good turnout of range staff from the club, including a number of new Range Officers, and the help of the local Scout group who helped with patching, the day went very smoothly. Thanks to Keith Roe who helped out as Judge.



The kitchen was a hive of activity with members contributing luscious home baked cakes and slices, and sandwiches. Our Gumtree pies donated by our generous member, Sebastian Nedziak, were very popular, as was the BBQ with its egg and bacon rolls and burgers cooked by Ian Hill.



Saturday night featured our famous dinner, with fresh local lamb cooked on the spit, and pork in the Webber, with most shooters and accompanying persons attending. We have shooters who come just for the sticky date puddings for dessert!

Sunday saw full details for Air, 50m pistol and Rapid Fire. For the first time we introduced a Mixed Team Air Pistol competition and a Veterans class, both of which proved very popular. Shooting finished after lunch with presentations shortly after. All in all a very successful and enjoyable time was had by all.



**See you at the next
Yack Open to be held
25-27 October 2019!**

The Law and Firearms

Cath Leask, Firearms Legislative Advisor



I guess it's getting a bit long in the tooth now when it comes to participation. The end of the year sees many shooters scrambling to get the last of their comps under control. And the end of the year sees me nagging about participation.

It does seem a bit unfair that only handgun shooters get stuck with participation (albeit category C sporties do also), but it is part of the *Firearms Act 1996* and therefore part of our responsibilities as handgun owners.

Those who've been in the game long enough would remember the changes to handgun ownership around 2003. After the events at Monash University in 2002, the Australian Police Ministers Council and the Council of Australian Governments released the National Handgun Agreement (2002), further consolidating firearms legislation across the jurisdictions. The resolutions within included restrictions on barrel length, calibre and magazine capacity along with the introduction of minimum participation requirements.

Now as part of section 16 of the Act, all licence holders that own handguns

must meet the prescribed number of events - whether competition, practice or as a judge, supervisor, instructor or coach. And, at the risk of incurring the wrath of my fellow shooter, I'm not completely against this concept - I mean, seriously, is it that hard to get your numbers up when you're having this much fun? It's legislated fun, really!

Anyway, I'm not going to lecture you about getting your participation sorted, I'm sure you all know by now that if you don't, you might just get a warning letter from LRD and extra conditions imposed on your licence. So, why participation, I hear you ask? Well, I've been asked about a couple of things regarding responsibility and reporting.

Who's responsible for my participation? As previously mentioned, section 16 provides a detailed account of what you are required to do in order to meet participation. However, you'll find that here is no reference to your club, LRD or any other person being responsible for your participation. This is YOUR responsibility - you must ensure you meet your participation.

If you're unsure, LRD have a comprehensive guide on meeting participation requirements. But, isn't my club required to make sure I participate or remind me to meet me participation? Luckily, most clubs send out information on participation including reminders. It's good business for a club to inform it's members of their obligations however, there isn't anything in the Act that states the club must ensure members participate.

So what are clubs responsible for? Part 6A covers requirements for clubs, and at section 123C provides the requirement for clubs to report, one of those reports is the participation report. At the end of the day, it is the clubs responsibility to ensure accurate and timely reporting (of course, one would expect adequate calendared events as well as a facility to submit your records) however, most clubs will ensure a reminder is sent via newsletter, email or in person.

Now, we've covered reporting, what about recording? The Act doesn't mention anything about an individual keeping a record of their participation, but it's kinda silly not to. The Act does mention record keeping for clubs at section 123B. Here, the Act specifically outlines that the club must maintain a

record stating times and dates of matches, names and licence numbers of those participants and the firearms used by each participant. And that information comes from you via the relevant recording mechanism at your club. BUT! Do keep a diary for your own benefit because records can go missing and this is your proof if your participation record doesn't get uploaded into the club database or is missing for the club's annual participation report.

What if you can't meet your participation so you decide that a little white lie on your participation reporting wont hurt? You've just committed an offence under section 138. This section refers to False Entries, a person must not make or cause to be made a false or misleading entry in a register or other record required to be kept under this Act. Don't laugh, it's happened!

If you can't get to an appropriate number of shoots, or your club can't cater for enough shoots, get yourself on to another club! There are plenty out there that allow visitors. Or even better, enter one of the many competitions around the state- thats bound to get your numbers up!



Results: Ballarat



BALLARAT
PISTOL CLUB INC.

Ballarat PC WA1500, Service and Black Powder Open

6 & 7 October 2018

Top 3 placings (full results on VAPA website)

PLACE	SERVICE PISTOL	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	McKean, Malcolm	Wynd	B	786
2	Liston, John	Tem	B	758
2	Castellucci, Eric	MDPC	B	712
1	Cain, Tyrone	Balla	C	740
2	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	C	705
3	Trigg, Glen	Balla	C	676
1	O'Meara, Brian	Castl	D	442

PLACE	SERVICE 25	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Parke, Craig	Yarra	A	609
2	Hancock, Collin	Balla	A	594
3	McKean, Malcolm	Wynd	A	588
1	Liston, John	Tem	B	577
2	Cain, Tyrone	Balla	B	567
3	Dajczer, Henry	Yarra	B	547
1	Schmidt, Laurie	Mild	C	504
2	Leticq, Wayne	Yarra	C	481
3	Zachary, Adele	Yarra	C	448
1	Trigg, Glen	Balla	D	458
2	Hunt, Jamie	Balla	D	438
3	Gleed, Nathan	Balla	D	397

PLACE	SERVICE U/R	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Parker, Terry	Sale	A	843
2	Parke, Craig	Yarra	A	869
1	McKean, Malcolm	Wynd	B	821
2	Liston, John	Tem	B	811
3	Schmidt, Laurie	Mild	B	734
1	Leticq, Lisa	Yarra	C	785
2	Dajczer, Henry	Yarra	C	780
3	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	C	768
1	Cain, Tyrone	Balla	D	732
2	Dunbar, Rebecca	Beac	D	720
3	Trigg, Glen	Balla	D	714

PLACE	BLACK POWDER INTERNATIONAL	CLUB	SCORE
1	Hastie, David	Cohun	93
2	Cundie, Jim	MBPC	90
3	Dunbar, Stuart	Beac	86

PLACE	WA1500 REV.	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Parke, Craig	Yarra	M	1461 75x
2	Miller, Andy	M	M	1441 52x
3	Parker, Terry	M	M	1305 26x
1	Liston, John	EX	EX	1419 62x
2	McKean, Malcolm	EX	EX	1418 48x
3	Leticq, Lisa	EX	EX	1392 29x
1	Wolf-Williams, Jason	SS	SS	1341 24x
2	Gellatly, Robert	SS	SS	1300 19x
3	Pask, Gary	SS	SS	1301 19x
1	Trigg, Glen	SS	SS	1341 24x
2	Cain, Tyrone	SS	SS	1300 19x

PLACE	WA1500 PISTOL	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Parke, Craig	Yarra	M	1466 75x
2	Miller, Andy	ODPC	M	1462 80x
1	Liston, John	Tem	Ex	1398 40x
2	Parker, Terry	Sale	EX	1341 28x
1	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	SS	1229 27x
2	McKean, Malcolm	Wynd	SS	1200 27x
1	TRIGG, Glen	Balla	MM	1310 34x

PLACE	50 BLACK POWDER	GRADE	CLUB	SCORE
1	Miller, Andy	ODPC	A	325
2	Hastie, David	Cohu	A	
3	Kennedy, Brynley	Penin	A	
1	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	B	334
2	Cundy, Jim	MBPC	B	328
3	Liston, John	Tem	B	315
1	King, Nigel	Balla	B	296
2	Schmidt, Laurie	Mild	B	274
1	Burgess (Rifle)	Balla	O	96
2	Dunbar	Beac	O	84
3	Gleed	Balla	O	82

PLACE	25 BLACK POWDER	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Hastie, David	Cohu	A	361
2	Liston, John	Tem	A	357
3	Kennedy, Brynley	Penin	A	351
1	Schmidt, Laurie	Mild	B	328
2	O'Meara, Brian	Castl	B	312
3	Cundy, Jim	MBPC	B	293

Results: Horsham



Horsham Pistol Club ISSF 2 - 4 November 2018

(Top 3 only, see VAPA website for full results)

PLACE	25m Standard Pistol	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Heinrich, Garry	PortP	A	546 9x
2	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	A	544 6x
	Markowski, Jason	Eliza	A	
1	Stefanakos, Steve	Oakl	B	520 8x
2	Schmidt, Laurie	Aaru	B	505 2x
1	Pennington, Michael	Sturt	C	484 1x
2	Ismail, Craig	Noar	C	481 4x
3	Park, Ken	Bend	C	480 4x
1	Stanton, Diane	PortP	D	469 4x
2	Jochs, Harold	MM	D	468 2x
3	McKean, Malcolm	Wynd	D	438 2x

PLACE	25m Centre Fire	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	A	565 12x
2	Heinrich, Garry	PortP	A	550 8x
3	Schmidt, Laurie	Aaru	A	529 6x
1	Stefanakos, Steve	Oakl	B	523 12x
2	Pennington, Michael	Sturt	B	522 4x
1	Park, Ken	Bend	C	522 6x
2	Ismail, Craig	Noar	C	503 4x
1	McKean, Malcolm	Wynd	D	447 1x
2	Schmidt, Michael	PortP	D	407 1x
3	Waghorne, Kerry	Melb AP	D	396 0x

PLACE	25m Pistol Men	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Heinrich, Garry	PortP	A	550 12x
1	Pennington, Michael	Sturt	B	558 10x
2	Schmidt, Laurie	Aaru	B	532 4x
3	Trigg, Glenn	Balla	B	496 3x
1	Ismail, CJ	Naor	C	430 3x

PLACE	25m Rapid Fire	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
	Markowski, Jason	Eliza	A	
1	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	B	544 9x
2	Schmidt, Laurie	Aaru	B	509 7x
3	Stefanakos, Steve	Oakl	B	495 5x
1	Trigg, Glenn	Balla	C	486 5x
2	Ismail, Craig	Noar	C	428 3x
3	Pennington, Michael	Sturt	C	425 3x
1	Park, Ken	Bend	D	451 3x
2	Jochs, Harold	MM	D	430 3x
3	Ismail, CJ	Noar	D	381 3x

PLACE	50m Pistol	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Heinrich, Garry	PortP	A	522 4x
	Markowski, Jason	Eliza	A	
1	Stefanakos, Steve	Oakl	B	511 3x
2	Schmidt, Laurie	Aaru	B	485 1x
3	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	B	479 0x
1	Park, Ken	Bend	C	468 1x
2	Cleland, Marg	Castl	C	426 0x
	Williams, Tracy	Penf	C	
1	Pennington, Michael	Sturt	D	460 4x
	Williams, Brooke	Penf	U	

PLACE	25m Pistol Womens	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Ismail, Sharlene	Noar	A	517 7x
1	Williams, Tracy	Penf	B	514 4x
2	Williams, Brooke	Penf	B	494 3x
3	Cleland, Marg	Castl	B	453 1x
1	Waghorne, Kerry	Melb AP	C	480 2x
2	Stanton, Diane	PortP	C	438 0x
3	Scougal, Bette	MM	C	421 1x

Results: Horsham



Horsham Pistol Club ISSF 2018 2 - 4 November 2018

(Top 3 only, see VAPA website for full results)

PLACE	10m Mens Air	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Heinrich, Garry	PortP	A	559 12x
2	Wolf-Williams, Jason	Eliza	A	544 6x
	Markowski, Jason	Eliza	A	-
1	Stefanakos, Steve	Oakl	B	545 6x
2	Schmidt, Laurie	Aaru	B	531 8x
3	Scougall, Geoff	MM	B	528 6x
1	Park, Ken	Bend	C	514 5x
2	Pennington, Michael	Sturt	C	503 4x
3	Ismail, Craig	Noar	C	490 4x

PLACE	10m Womens Air (60)	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Williams, Brooke	Penf	A	525 4x
1	Williams, Tracy	Penf	B	545 8x
2	Ismail, Sharlene	Noar	B	534 9x
3	Probst, Karen	Hors	B	518 2x
1	Waghorne, Kerry	Melb AP	C	461 1x
1	Stanton, Diane	PortP	D	457 2x

PLACE	10m Air Pistols Junior Men	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Ismail, CJ	Noar	C	504 6x

PLACE	10m Womens Air (40)	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Williams, Brooke	Penf	A	347 3x
2	Williams, Tracy	Penf	B	367 6x



Results: Outtrim



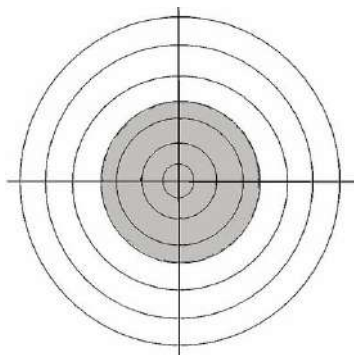
OUTTRIM & DISTRICT 1st DEC 2018 ALEX EAGLE MEMORIAL OPEN WA1500

results show top 3 places

PLACE	WA1500 Revolver	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Jensen, Paul	WDPC	HM	1465 96x
	Sandman, Brett	MDPC	HM	
1	Clark, Leslie	MSPC	M	1467 71x
2	Miller, Andrew	ODPC	M	1461 82x
3	Lowe, Greg	MDPC	M	1460 75x
1	Law, Daryl	MDPC	Ex	1406 42x
2	Wakelin, Roger	MDPC	Ex	1390 27x
3	Leticq, Lisa	Yarra	Ex	1369 30x
1	Simpson, Jim	WDPC	SS	1330 30x
2	Jenkins, Richard	SPRI	SS	1317 28x
3	Pask, Gary	Yarra	SS	1242 30x
1	Leticq, Wayne	Yarra	MM	1251 27x

PLACE	WA1500 PISTOL	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Jensen, Paul	WDPC	HM	1470 71x
1	Miller, Andrew	ODPC	M	1463 66x
2	Parke, Craig	Yarra	M	1462 63x
3	Clark, Leslie	MDPC	M	1438 49x
1	Wakelin, Roger	MDPC	Ex	1349 31x
2	Law, Daryl	MDPC	Ex	1296 24x
	Parker, Terry	SPC	Ex	
	Pask, Gary	Yarra	SS	
1	Jenkins, Richard	SPRI	MM	1156 30x

PLACE	WA 48 Revolver 4	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Miller, Andrew	ODPC	HM	478 28X
2	Parke, Craig	YARRA	HM	479 31X
3	Delic, Drago	ODPC	HM	475 30X
1	Olsen, Stuart	ODPC	M	470 25X
2	Lewis, Andrew	WDPC	M	464 18X
3	Sammartino, John	MDPC	M	451 18X
1	Theunissen, Frank	YARRA	Ex	468 16X
2	Simpson, Jim	WDPC	Ex	462 19X
3	Rowe, Allan	ODPC	Ex	458 16X
1	Jaques, Craig	WDPC	SS	437 14X
2	Pask, Gary	YARRA	SS	432 15X
3	Jenkins, Richard	SPRI	SS	408 9X





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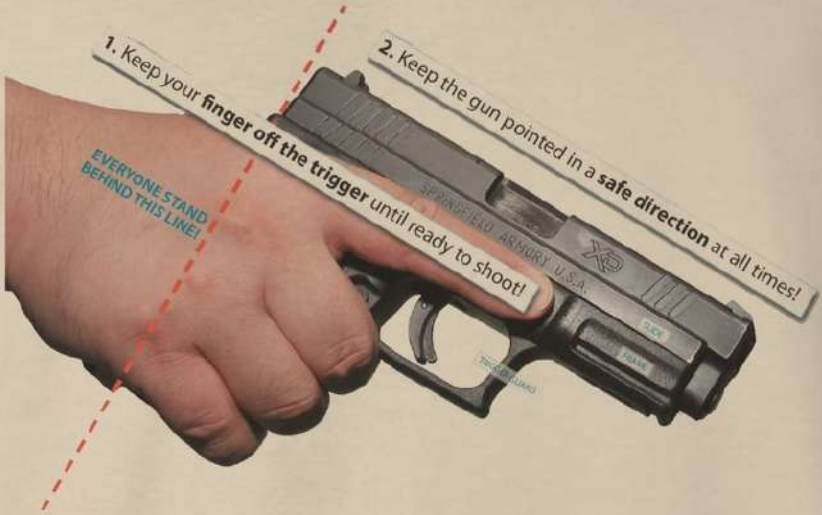
Results:Yarra

Yarra Pistol Club Open 15 September 2018

PLACE	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Cvetnic, Zeljiko	Yarra SHM	1916 159x
1	Hall, Allan	Eliza SS	1788 95x
1	Carpeggiani, Ben	Eliza UN	1502 64x



GUN CONTROL



Means Finger Discipline

Results: Yackandandah



Yackandandah Pistol Club ISSF Open

19-21 October 2018

(results show top 3 places - full results on website)

PLACE	25m Standard Pistol	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Quick, Bruce	Yack	M	555 13x
1	Blackburn, Nathan	Cess	A	557 10x
2	Ashmore, Thomas	CNPC	A	551 6x
3	Ralph, Anthony	Wagga	A	533 6x
1	Boyle, Kevin	Trar	B	535 6x
2	Crossman, Will	Shep	B	514 1x
3	Donovan, Ryan	Yack	B	510 1x
1	Murray, Peter	Beac	C	475 1x
2	Hines, Wes	Balla	C	474 3x
3	Sinclair, Robert	Shep	C	471 3x
1	Calway, Graeme	Oakl	D	491 2x
2	Hill, Ian	Yack	D	475 6x
3	Knibbs, Anne	DVPC	D	473 4x
1	Liston, John	Tem	V	507 6x
2	Bowron, Peter	WBLO	V	492 6x
3	Liston, Maree	Tem	V	425 2x

PLACE	25m Centre Fire	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Quick, Bruce	Yack	M	576 15x
1	Ralph, Anthony	Wagga	A	566 9x
2	Blackburn, Nathan	Cess	A	562 11x
1	Boyle, Kevin	Trar	B	539 9x
2	De Simone, Alberto	Shep	B	513 13x
3	Lees, Michael	Beac	B	506 5x
1	Murray, Peter	Beac	C	528 7x
2	Calway, Graeme	Oakl	C	521 3x
3	Hines, Wes	Balla	C	518 5x
1	Harrington, Brian	Shep	D	489 7x
2	Nealie, Mick	Beac	D	460 1x
3	Kearney, John	DVPC	D	454 2x
1	Bowron, Peter	WBLO	V	546 7x
2	Liston, John	Tem	V	514 6x

PLACE	25m Rapid Fire	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Ashmore, Thomas	CNPC	M	572 16x
2	Quick, Bruce	Yack	M	558 13x
1	Ralph, Anthony	Wagga	A	528 6x
1	Crossman, Will	Shep	B	522 4x
2	Blackburn, Nathan	Cess	B	512 8x
3	Boyle, Kevin	Trar	B	509 6x
1	Lees, Michael	Beac	C	505 2x
2	Hovasapian, Harry	CNPC	C	485 5x
3	Calway, Graeme	Oakl	C	481 3x
1	Johnstone, Paul	Hum	D	422 2x
2	Griffo, Frank	MISC	D	416 3x
3	Nealie, Mick	Beac	D	401 0x
1	Liston, John	Tem	V	462 3x
2	Quinlivan, John	Trar	V	286 1x

PLACE	50m Pistol	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Quick, Bruce	Yack	M	532 5x
1	Ralph, Anthony	Wagga	A	520 3x
2	Holden, Jack	Yack	A	494 2x
1	Blackburn, Nathan	Cess	B	520 2x
2	Boyle, Kevin	Trar	B	500 6x
3	Murray, Peter	Beac	B	482 1x
1	Dunbar, Stuart	Beac	C	480 0x
2	Lees, Michael	Beac	C	459 2x
3	Harrington, Brian	Shep	C	449 2x
1	Griffo, Frank	MISC	D	472 2x
2	Calway, Graeme	Oakl	D	454 2x
3	Johnstone, Paul	Hum	D	451 1x
1	Bowron, Peter	WBLO	V	491 1x
2	Liston, John	Tem	V	487 4x
3	Crossman, Will	Shep	V	486 3x

Results: Yackandandah



Yackandandah Pistol Club ISSF Open

19-21 October 2018

PLACE	10m Mens Air	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Quick, Bruce	Yack	M	559 9x
1	Ralph, Anthony	Wagga	A	569 11x
2	Blackburn, Nathan	Cess	A	557 9x
3	Ashmore, Thomas	CNPC	A	556 9x
1	Pabolu, Saptagirish	MISC	B	544 5x
2	Johnstone, Paul	Hum	B	542 7x
3	Boyle, Kevin	Trar	B	538 4x
1	Wenban, Robert	Yarra	C	516 4x
2	Hill, Ian	Yack	C	513 3x
3	Calway, Ian	Oakl	C	511 6x
1	Morosin, Enzo	Hum	D	482 0x
2	Sinclair, Robert	Shep	D	457 2x
3	Sayers, James	Shep	D	454 0x
1	Liston, John	Tem	V	532 8x
2	Bowron, Peter	WBLO	V	510 4x

PLACE	25m Pistol Womens	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Smith, Cion	Metro	A	570 10x
2	Heinrich, Alison	Aurr&P	A	553 10x
3	Kelly, Ainsley	Melt	A	518 4x
1	Calway, Caroline	Oakl	B	494 3x
2	Payne, Alison	Oakl	B	492 3x
3	Knibbs, Anne	DVPC	B	487 3x
1	Allen, Kerry	Yack	C	512 7x
2	Bolt, Jessica	Beac	C	468 2x
3	Rennick, Ruth	Yack	C	446 2x
1	Jones, Marty	Yack	D	462 3x
2	Sherson, Michelle	Beac	D	448 1x
3	Liosi, Fiona	Yarra	D	404 2x
1	Bowron, Doreen	WBLO	V	482 2x
2	Liston, Maree	Tem	V	450 3x

PLACE	10m Womens Air	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Galiabovitch, Elena	Oakl	M	562 9x
1	Smith, Cion	MetroPSQ	A	566 12x
2	Heinrich, Alison	Aur&P	A	565 15x
3	Kelly, Ainsley	Melt	A	548 9x
1	Crigan, Susan	Echu	B	527 3x
2	Knibbs, Anne	DVPC	B	524 7x
1	Jones, Marty	Yack	C	520 1x
2	Dunbar, Rebecca	Beac	C	513 5x
3	Liosi, Fiona	Yarra	C	508 8x
1	Sherson, Michelle	Beac	D	477 1x
2	Tobar, Erika	Beac	D	350 2x
1	Liston, Maree	Tem	V	516 6x
2	Bowron, Doreen	WBLO	V	478 2x

PLACE	25m Pistol Juniors	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Greening, Leo	Murr	A	540 6x
1	Hughes, Tyson James	Penf	B	533 8x
1	Blachford, Erin	Echu	C	502 4x
1	Kelly, Brydie	Melt	D	433 4x

PLACE	Junior Air 60 Woman	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Blachford, Erin	Echu	B	511 7x
1	Kelly, Brydie	Melt	C	498 2x

PLACE	10m Air Junior Men	CLUB	GRADE	SCORE
1	Hughes, Tyson James	Penf	A	551 10x
2	Greening Leo	Murr	A	536 4x

TOP TEN DECEMBER 2018

by Neil Stewart, Competition Controller



What Gets in the Top Ten?

The Top Ten is open to all VAPA members. Scores are taken from results from open competitions that have been approved by the VAPA Committee of Management.

Scores shot at interstate Opens are also included, provided the open was conducted by a Pistol Australia affiliated club and sanctioned by the state association. International competitions can also be included, provided Pistol Australia or Australian International Shooting Ltd sent an Australian team to the event.

Your results are not in the Top Ten?

Here are some possible reasons:

1. The host club did not send the results to competitioncontroller@vapa.org.au
2. Results provided did not include the competitors club. As the Top Ten is only for VAPA members, results MUST include the competitors club.

Without this, results cannot be included in the Top Ten as I have no way of knowing if the competitor is a VAPA member or a member of an interstate club.

Neil Stewart,
Competition Controller

ATTITUDE

It takes 43 muscles to frown and 17 to smile,
but only three for proper trigger squeeze.

TOP TEN DECEMBER 2018



COMPETITIONS INCLUDED IN THIS ISSUE:

Castlemaine ISSF, Melton ISSF, ISSF Vic Titles, Ballarat ISSF, M.I.S.C. ISSF, Mildura ISSF, Mid Murray ISSF, Service & Black Powder, Bendigo ISSF, Yarra Action Mar, May & Jun, PA Nationals, Action Match Vic Titles, Shepparton ISSF, Yarra Action Sep, Yarra ISSF, Ballarat Service, WA1500 & Black Powder, Yackandadah ISSF, Vic Titles Service.

50m Pistol

State Record 559 Daniel Repacholi (2016)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	GILLMAN, Kristy	544.07x	Nationals	Jun
2	MULLENS, Gary	529.05x	Bendigo	Jul
3	PILANIYA, Gaurev	527.05x	Yarra	Sep
4	MONCRIEFF, Les	525.02x	Mildura	May
5	KETELAARS, Steve	521.04x	Melton	Feb
6	SHERAFATI, Vahid	520.06x	M.I.S.C.	May
7	FINKEN, Lucas	514.06x	Vic Titles	Mar
8	STEFANAKOS, Steve	511.02x	M.I.S.C.	May
9	BOYLE, Christian	509.04x	Nationals	Jun
10	CHNG, Aik Pin	507.05x	Vic Titles	Mar

Standard Pistol

State Record 580 Bruce Quick (1999)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	EVGLEVSKI, Serg	557.10x	Nationals	Jun
2	MULLENS, Gary	555.11x	Ballarat	Apr
3	RYAN, Linda	553.10x	Oakleigh	Nov
4	BOYLE, Kevin	553.07x	Yarra	Sep
5	CHNG, Aik Pin	550.10x	Oakleigh	Nov
6	COLVIN, David	544.11x	Yarra	Sep
7	EAGLE, Grant	544.09x	Shepparton	Sep
8	BOYLE, Christian	540.06x	Oakleigh	Nov
9	GALIABOVITCH, Elena	540.06x	Nationals	Jun
10	DAVIS, Wayne	540.02x	Mildura	May

Rapid Fire

State Record 582 Serg Evglevski (2017)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	EVGLEVSKI, Serg	580.18x	Vic Titles	Mar
2	MULLENS, Gary	566.16x	Oakleigh	Nov
3	FINKEN, Lucas	558.14x	Castlemaine	Feb
4	BOYLE, Christian	556.13x	M.I.S.C.	May
5	MONCRIEFF, Les	540.12x	Mildura	May
6	SHERAFATI, Vahid	538.06x	Vic Titles	Mar
7	SCOUGALL, Andrew	531.06x	Mid Murray	June
8	CROSSMAN, Wil	522.04x	Yackandadah	Oct
9	SINCLAIR, Mark	521.06x	Castlemaine	Feb
10	EAGLE, Grant	520.08x	Oakleigh	Nov

10 Metre Air Pistol Men

State Record 577 B Sandstrom (1999)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	PILANIYA, Gaurev	578.22x	Yarra	Sep
2	EVGLEVSKI, Serg	572.16x	Melton	Feb
3	MULLENS, Gary	571.15x	Yarra	Sep
4	SHERAFATI, Vahid	564.16x	Shepparton	Sep
5	MA, Yifan	563.09x	Castlemaine	Feb
6	BOYLE, Christian	562.13x	Oakleigh	Nov
7	DASTANI, Alamdar	559.11x	Yarra	Sep
8	FINKEN, Lucas	559.10x	Ballarat	Apr
9	CHNG, Aik Ping	558.12x	Castlemaine	Feb
10	BOYLE, Kevin	554.11x	Yarra	Sep

25m Centrefire

State Record 585 Bruce Quick (1996)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	FINKEN, Lucas	569.13x	M.I.S.C.	May
2	MULLENS, Gary	568.15x	M.I.S.C.	May
3	EAGLE, Grant	565.10x	Castlemaine	Feb
4	BOYLE, Christian	561.14x	Oakleigh	Nov
5	CHNG, Aik Pin	559.10x	Castlemaine	Feb
6	BOWRON, Peter	555.10x	Hume	Nov
7	SHERAFATI, Vahid	552.12x	Nationals	Jun
8	GRANT, Ray	551.12x	Shepparton	Sep
9	DAVIS, Wayne	551.11x	Mid Murray	Jun
10	STEFANAKOS, Steve	550.13x	Vic Titles	Mar

10 Metre Air Pistol Women (40 Shot)

State Record 387 Lalita Yauhlevskaya (2002)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	GILLMAN, Kristy	380.12x	Castlemaine	Feb
2	YAUHLEUSKAYA, Lalita	380.07x	Melton	Feb
3	GALIABOVITCH, Elena	377.10x	Melton	Feb
4	RYAN, Linda	374.09x	Vic Titles	Mar
5	SEWELL, Chloe	372.09x	Vic Titles	Mar
6	KHURANA, Radhika	370.05x	M.I.S.C.	May
7	MULLENS, Chelsea	367.06x	Ballarat	Apr
8	ALEXANDER, Ainsley	367.02x	Ballarat	Apr
9	AUSTIN, Marianne	366.04x	Ballarat	Apr
10	JANSKA, Renata	364.08x	Melton	Feb

10 Metre Air Pistol Women (60 Shot)

State Record

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	YAUHLEUSKAYA, Lalita	567.14x	Nationals	Jun
2	HEINRICH, Alison	566.13x	Yarra	Sep
3	GALIABOVITCH, Elena	563.12x	Nationals	Jun
4	RYAN, Linda	561.12x	Shepparton	Sep
5	GILLMAN, Kristy	560.10x	Ballarat	Apr
6	REZAEI, Encl	551.06x	Yarra	Sep
7	AUSTIN, Marianne	547.08x	Ballarat	Apr
8	JANSKA, Renata	546.08x	Nationals	Jun
9	CALWAY, Caroline	542.08x	Oakleigh	Nov
10	MULLENS, Chelsea	541.07x	Ballarat	Apr

25 Metre Pistol Women

State Record 583 Linda Ryan (2001)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	GALIABOVITCH, Elena	580.13x	Nationals	Jun
2	YAUHLEUSKAYA, Lalita	576.19x	Nationals	Jun
3	RYAN, Linda	571.14x	Shepparton	Sep
4	GILLMAN, Kristy	565.11x	Castlemaine	Feb
5	AUSTIN, Marianne	565.10x	Nationals	Jun
6	HEINRICH, Alison	562.11x	Yarra	Sep
7	BLAKE, Cherie	552.12x	Hume	Nov
8	KETELAARS, Larissa	549.07x	Castlemaine	Feb
9	MULLENS, Joy	549.05x	Ballarat	Apr
10	MULLENS, Chelsea	548.10x	M.I.S.C.	May

25 Metre Pistol Junior

State Record 578 Andrew Gonzol (1990)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	MAGRATH, Megan	520.08x	Castlemaine	Feb
2	WONS, Brody	504.05x	Castlemaine	Feb
3	BLANCHFORD, Erin	502.04x	Yackandandah	Oct
4	SEWELL, Chloe	500.03x	Nationals	Jun
5	MAGRATH, Amy	497.04x	Yarra	Sep
6	PARRY, Jack	463.01x	Ballarat	Apr
7	KELLY, Brydie	438.03x	Oakleigh	Nov
8	FETHERSTONEHAUGH, Eve	382.00x	Bendigo	Jul
9	PLESSEY, Dominic	275.00x	Mid Murray	Jun
10	BISH, Seth	219.00x	Bendigo	Jul

10 Metre Air Pistol Junior Men

State Record 571 Daniel Repacholli (2000)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	WONS, Brody	544.08x	Castlemaine	Feb
2	BISH, Seth	492.04x	Bendigo	Jul
3	PARRY, Jack	468.00x	Ballarat	Apr
4	BURGE, Riley	398.00x	Oakleigh	Nov
5	PLESSEY, Dominic	301.00x	Mid Murray	Jun
6	BROCKMAN, Cade	271.00x	Shepparton	Sep
7	BROCKMAN, Blake	250.00x	Shepparton	Sep
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10 Metre Air Pistol Junior Women (40 Shot)

State Record 385 Annemarie Forder (1998)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	SEWELL, Chloe	372.09x	Vic Titles	Mar
2	MAGRATH, Megan	356.06x	Castlemaine	Feb
3	BLANCHFORD, Erin	322.02x	Castlemaine	Feb
4	MAGRATH, Amy	322.02x	M.I.S.C.	May
5	FETHERSTONEHAUGH, Eve	300.01x	Ballarat	Apr
6	KELLY, Brydie	289.01x	M.I.S.C.	May
7	SAHHAR, Emma	224.00x	Vic Titles	Mar
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10 Metre Air Pistol Junior Women (60 Shot)

State Record

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	SEWELL, Chloe	550.08x	Nationals	Jun
2	MAGRATH, Megan	544.05x	Oakleigh	Nov
3	BLANCHFORD, Erin	511.07x	Yackandandah	Oct
4	KELLY, Brydie	505.02x	Oakleigh	Nov
5	MAGRATH, Amy	487.01x	Yarra	Sep
6	FETHERSTONEHAUGH, Eve	444.01x	Ballarat	Apr
7	HOLLOW, Anastasia	438.02x	Oakleigh	Nov
8	FETHERSTONEHAUGH, Arwen	314.00x	Bendigo	Jul
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Black Powder 50 Metre

State Record 374 Dennis Martin (1998)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	MONCRIEFF, Les	354	Mid Murray	Jun
2	DAVIS, Wayne	345	Mid Murray	Jun
3	MILLER, Andrew	345	Nationals	Mar
4	SAMMARTINO, John	328	Nationals	Mar
5	LEES, Michael	317	Mid Murray	Jun
6	KING, Nigel	296	Ballarat	Oct
7	ANDRE, Lee	295	Mid Murray	Jun
8	DUNBAR, Stuart	286	Mid Murray	Jun
9	O'NEARA, Brian	280	Mid Murray	Jun
10	SCHMIDT, Laurie	274	Ballarat	Oct

Black Powder 25 Metre

State Record 378 Noel Ryan (1980)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	MONCRIEFF, Les	370	Mid Murray	Jun
2	DAVIS, Wayne	368	Mid Murray	Jun
3	SAMMARTINO, John	362	Nationals	Mar
4	HASTIE, David	361	Ballarat	Oct
5	KENNEDDY, Bryley	351	Ballarat	Oct
6	BURGESS, Grant	337	Ballarat	Oct
7	LEES, Michael	329	Mid Murray	Jun
8	HORTON, Geoff	328	Nationals	Mar
9	SCHMIDT, Laurie	328	Ballarat	Oct
10	DUNBAR, Stuart	319	Mid Murray	Jun

Service

State Record 887 Peter Muscat (1991)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	JENSEN, Paul	859	Vic Titles	Nov
2	CLARK, Les	856	Mildura	Jul
3	TAIT, Frank	849	Vic Titles	Nov
4	PARKE, Craig	846	Nationals	Mar
5	MONCRIEFF, Les	844	Mid Murray	Jun
6	DAVIS, Wayne	836	Vic Titles	Nov
7	PLESSEY, George	836	Mid Murray	Jun
8	HUTCHINS, Paul	832	Vic Titles	Nov
9	BISHOPP, Paul	829	Vic Titles	Nov
10	TAIT, Brock	828	Mid Murray	Jun

Service Unrestricted

State Record 886 Peter Muscat (1989)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	DAVIS, Wayne	879	Mildura	Jul
2	MONCRIEFF, Les	873	Nationals	Mar
3	TAIT, Brock	873	Mildura	Jul
4	PARKE, Craig	871	Mildura	Jul
5	JENSEN, Paul	869	Vic Titles	Nov
6	SANDMAN, Brett	869	Nationals	Mar
7	SAMMARTINO, John	861	Mildura	Jul
8	CLARK, Les	860	Mildura	Jul
9	TAIT, Frank	858	Vic Titles	Nov
10	BISHOPP, Paul	852	Vic Titles	Nov

WA 1500 Revolver

State Record 1487 92x Donnal Pollard (2010)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	PARKE, Craig	1476.81x	Ballarat	Oct
2	JENSEN, Paul	1469.77x	Mildura	Nov
3	MONCRIEFF, Les	1458.66x	Mildura	Jul
4	TAIT, Frank	1456.65x	Mildura	Jul
5	SAMMARTINO, John	1456.58x	Mildura	Jul
6	MILLER, Andrew	1456.50x	Nationals	Mar
7	DAVIS, Wayne	1456.41x	Mildura	Nov
8	TAIT, Brock	1452.72x	Mildura	Jul
9	SANDMAN, Brett	1449.68x	Nationals	Mar
10	PARKER, Terry	1446.54x	Ballarat	Oct

WA 1500 Pistol

State Record 1489 89x Donnal Pollard (2010)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	PARKE, Craig	1466.75x	Ballarat	Oct
2	MILLER, Andrew	1462.80x	Ballarat	Oct
3	JENSEN, Paul	1459.72x	Mildura	Nov
4	DAVIS, Wayne	1453.57x	Mildura	Jul
5	CLARK, Les	1445.47x	Nationals	Mar
6	TAIT, Brock	1441.62x	Mildura	Jul
7	SAMMARTINO, John	1441.48x	Mildura	Jul
8	SANDMAN, Brett	1437.61x	Nationals	Mar
9	MONCRIEFF, Les	1414.44x	Mildura	Jul
10	BISHOPP, Paul	1381.31x	Mildura	Jul

Action Match (Open)

State Record 1918/169x Zeljko Cvetnic 2008 Mark Blake 2014

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	BLAKE, Mark	1918.174x	Yarra	Mar
2	BLAKE, Cherie	1916.161x	Nationals	Oct
3	CVETNIC, Zeljko	1916.159x	Yarra	Sep
4	SIEBERT, Richard	1916.156x	Vic Titles	Aug
5	PARKE, Craig	1916.149x	Yarra	Jun
6	WILSON, Don	1885.138x	Nationals	Oct
7	MACKIEWICZ, Anita	1880.150x	Vic Titles	Aug
8	HALL, Alan	1788.095x	Yarra	Sep
9	RENZOW, Samantha	1677.080x	Vic Titles	Aug
10	CAMERON, Hudson	1636.096x	Vic Titles	Aug

Action Match (Metallic Sight)

State Record 1893/123x Mark Blake 2016

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	BLAKE, Mark	1876.128x	Vic Titles	Aug
2	BLAKE, Cherie	1811.096x	Nationals	Oct
3	PARKE, Craig	1807.099x	Vic Titles	Aug
4	CVETNIC, Zeljko	1794.110x	Vic Titles	Aug
5	McIVOR, Dan	1735.089x	Yarra	May
6	WILSON, Don	1671.082x	Nationals	Oct
7	RENZOW, Peter	1630.063x	Vic Titles	Aug
8	RENZOW, David	1621.076x	Vic Titles	Aug
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Service 25

State Record 636 Paul Jensen (2016)

Rank	Name	Score	Competition	Date
1	JENSEN, Paul	632	Nationals	Mar
2	CLARK, Les	624	Nationals	Mar
3	PARKE, Craig	613	Nationals	Mar
4	DAVIS, Wayne	612	Mid Murray	Jun
5	SANDMAN, Brett	609	Nationals	Mar
6	TAIT, Brock	606	Mildura	Jul
7	MONCRIEFF, Les	603	Nationals	Mar
8	WATSON, Tony	602	Mid Murray	Jun
9	TAIT, Frank	601	Mid Murray	Jun
10	THEUNISSEN, Frank	601	Mildura	Jul



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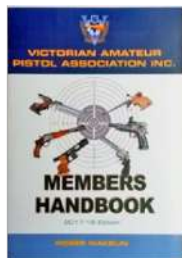
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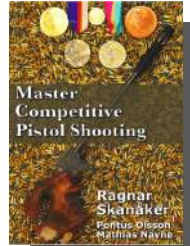
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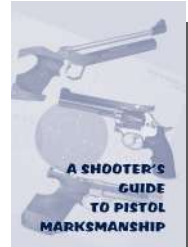
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Month	Date	Competition	Venue	
Jan	5-6			
	12-13			
	19-20			
	26-27			
Feb	2-3	ISSF	Castlemaine	C
	9-10			
	16-17	ISSF	Melton	C
	23-24			
Mar	2-3	Service & WA1500	Outtrim	C
	<u>9-11</u>	<u>ISSF State Titles</u>	<u>Mildura</u>	<u>C</u>
	16-17			
	23-24	Black Powder	Beaconsfield	C
	30-31	ISSF	Ballarat	
Apr	6-7			
	13-22	<u>PA/ISSF Nationals</u>	<u>Yarra</u>	C
	13-14			
	20-21			
	27-28	Service	Warragul Drouin	C
May	4-5			
	5	Action Match	Ballarat	
	11-12			
	18-19	ISSF	Mildura	C
	25-26			
June	1-2			
	8-10	ISSF, Service & BP	Mid Murray	C
	15-16			
	22-23			
	29-30	Black Powder	Castlemaine	C

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2019 Opens & Major Events Calendar

Month	Date	Competition	Venue	
Jul	6-7			
	7	Women's Air & Sport	Diamond Valley	C
	13-14	Service & WA1500	Yarra	C
	20-21	Service & WA1500	Mildura	C
	27-28			
Aug	3-4	Postal Finals ISSF		C
	10-11	Postal Finals Prac & ICORE		C
	<u>17-18</u>	<u>Action Match State Titles</u>		<u>C</u>
	18-19	Postal Finals Black Powder		C
	24-25	Postal Finals Service WA1500		C
Aug Sept	31-1			
Sep	7-8	ISSF	Shepparton	T
	14-15	ISSF	Yarra	C
	<u>21-22</u>	<u>WA1500 State Titles</u>	<u>Outtrim</u>	<u>C</u>
	28-29			
Oct	5-6			
	12-13			
	<u>19-20</u>	<u>Black Powder State Titles</u>	<u>Mt District</u>	<u>C</u>
	25-27	ISSF	Yackandandah	C
Nov	2-3			
	3	Service	Geelong	
	9-10	ISSF	Oakleigh	C
	<u>16-17</u>	<u>Service State Titles</u>	<u>Mt District</u>	<u>C</u>
	23-24			
Nov-Dec	30-1			
Dec	7-8			
	14-15			
	21-22			
	28-29			

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