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### **Simulated Field — August**

We had 72 participants for our 100T August Field & Game (graded) event which was conducted in cool, sunny and breezy conditions. A number of visitors came from surrounding districts including Bermagui, Cooma and Goulburn. Former committee member and contributor towards the club Reid McLachlan also dropped in for a shot all the way from Tasmania and took out the Veterans category. Our thanks go to Andrew Burley and the Willey clan for helping set the range up and to all those that helped take it down again. Terry Forest did a great job in the kitchen keeping us all well fed while Margret Warriner donated another fantastic cake and a pot of soup I heard described as 'perfect'. John Kerns also managed the office with professionalism despite facing some 'technical difficulties'. Congratulations go to Jeff Willey for achieving his goal of winning the High Gun, well done Jeff.

High Gun: Jeff Willey 84

AA: Russell Stephenson 82, Andrew Paddison 82  
A: Rob Butterworth 81, Gino Matteredalia 77, David Howlett 76

B: Alex McLachlan 76, Matt Webster 70

C: Bob Tetley 66

Juniors: Andrew Howlett 60, Hayden Willey 55

Ladies: Margret Warriner 42

Veterans: Reid McLachlan 49/75

\*Note: you can also view our F&G results on the Claybuster web site.

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### **Black Cockatoo**

#### **Simulated Field - September**

After a rain event the previous weekend which had put 7% into the ACT's dams we were a bit nervous when the weather forecast on the Thursday before our inaugural two day shoot predicted rain. Thankfully it was a return to form by the bureau and a high pressure system camped over NSW for the entire weekend bringing beautiful sunshine days albeit a bit windy.

We'd done the prep, purchasing new Bowman

traps, servicing older traps and the sponsors, led by Fyshwick Firearms and Shooters Wholesale Warehouse had come through with a great list of prizes totalling in excess of \$4,000.

Saturday dawned with a beautiful crisp blue sky day (bloody weather bureau) and the shooters rolled in ready to shoot according to their times, the pre-noms was proving to be a real stress reducer for the noms office and finally after months of preparation it was on!

Two ranges had been with set with one in the open ground incorporating many of our fixed traps, the other mainly in the forested section of our grounds, nothing really was beyond 40 metres, and it sounds easy doesn't it? But Bill Warriner and the ground setter had apparently been at their devious best with the scores reflecting that shooters were shooting scores in the middle to bottom of their grades and nobody able to truly dominate the courses. In particular the final station on the "A" range, which was two pairs about 35 meters out in front of the shooter travelling down a gentle incline, brought a lot undone. I tried it myself and didn't hit it until Darren Redman convinced me to shoot a foot and a half in the old speak under the target. Only one 25 was shot on the weekend and that was by Frank Tagliapietra from Griffith, there were several 24s though.

Day 1 finished with Gavin Moulding from Bermagui and Adrian Emery from Griffith tied on 88 off the gun for the Day 1 High Gun, this was a scenario to be repeated a couple of times for the weekend. In the end Gavin took the shoot off by 1 target, the difference being a simultaneous pair thrown from our ISSF trench layout.

After shooting had completed and the presentation was over, shooters settled down to a few brews and telling lies about the ones that had gotten away through the day. At around 6 o'clock the professional chef in the kitchen Kira and her crew started dishing up the venison stew and the rabbit stew. By all accounts it was a great meal.

Sunday was also another beautiful day (the bureau had reviewed there forecast to 1% chance of rain. Thanks for that fellas). After an earlier and slightly slower start shooters were all out on the ranges by 9:00 and back into it.

Day 2 finished with Frank Tagliapietra taking the overall by one target on 89. Gavin and Adrian tied again one target back but this time Adrian prevailed

and again it was the pair off the trench layout which separated them.

The overall high gun required another shoot off before Gavin turned the tables on Adrian relegating him to the AA High Gun. The A grade High Gun was Greg Allan after a shoot off with Darren Redman. A full listing of all the results is elsewhere in these pages.

The presentations commenced with Bruce Brown of Shooters Wholesale Warehouse presenting the Club with a brand new Miroku Model 10 Grade 1 Sporter on behalf of Highland Sports, SWW and Fyshwick Firearms. This donation was made in order to help the club conduct new shooters days and is greatly appreciated by the committee and members.

Proceedings ended with the presentation to the winner of the lucky door prize. Robert Small receiving his prize, a cased ATA 120/U gauge, by the CEO of XTEK Robert Sykes

Now to the important stuff. No shoot can be a success with the shooters who take the time and effort to travel and attend, hopefully enjoying what we have on offer. In all about 85 shooters attended each day, Griffith and Bermagui clubs each had two and a half squads in attendance. So to all those who attended, thank you very much. A special thanks to Rod Picker and the boys from Goulburn F&G who brought with them traps to act as spares for ours.

To our sponsors Shooters Wholesale Warehouse, Fyshwick Firearms, Highland Sports, NIOA Trading, XTEK, Perazzi Australia and Winchester thank you for your generosity and support of this shoot and the club.

Lastly to all our Committee and club members, led by Bill Warriner, John Taylor and Nelson Cox, who put in the time setting up and preparing for the shoot, running the shoot on the two days, donating the use of batteries and chargers, tidying up, running the office, controlling parking and those myriad other jobs; Thank you.

In the end it was a pretty good shoot from the club's point of view and by all accounts, the shooters were happy with us but we hope to bring you an even better shoot next year.

### Day 1- 100tgt Graded Handicap

High Gun: Gavin Moulding 88 OTG  
AA: Adrian Emery 91, Frank Tagliapietra 87,  
Doug Osborne 85  
A: Peter Jacka 93, Ed Abbey 91 (count back), Paul  
MacIntosh 91 (count back)  
B: Rodger Beaton 109, Nev Brady 96 (count back),  
Rowen Venables 96 (count back)  
C: Lincoln Green 107, Mark Lazarro 96, Aaron  
Fitzpatrick 94  
Vets: Graham Rouse 96, Warren Brown 86, Colin  
Harris 82  
Ladies: Jan Jacka 83, Jan Redman 80, Emma  
Stockley 78  
Juniors: Hayden Willey 79  
Sub-Juniors: Mitchell Webster 93



### Day 2- 100tgt Graded

High Gun: Frank Tagliapietra 89 OTG  
AA: Adrian Emery 88 (shoot off), Gavin Moulding  
88 (shoot off), Rodney Picker 80  
A: Darren Redman 83, Greg Allan 81, Peter  
Richards 80  
B: Brent Suprain 71, Leroy Rosetto 69 (Shoot off),  
Nev Brady 69 (shoot off)  
C: Bob Tetley 62, Lincoln Green 61, Mark Lazarro  
57  
Vets: Warren Brown 68 (shoot off), Bill Warriner  
68 (shoot off), Colin Harris 67  
Ladies: Jan Jacka 62, Jan Redman 49, Barbie  
Magrin 40  
Juniors: Hayden Willey 62, Tom Roche 58, Matt  
Scott 44  
Sub-Juniors: Mitchell Webster 57



### High Guns Across the two days

Overall	Gavin Moulding 175 (Shoot off)
AA	Adrian Emery 175 (Shoot off)
A	Greg Allan 161 (shoot off)
B	Rodger Beaton 156
C	Lincoln Green 132
Vets	Warren Brown 142
Ladies	Jan Jacka 125
Juniors	Hayden Willey 121
Sub-Juniors	Mitchell Webster 122

Photos of the prizes,  
Winners, sponsors  
and canteen workers



## *American Skeet - August*

Capital City 100 Tgt American Skeet  
Championship

Cool, Little Rain, 14 degrees.

A: R Kneipp 93/100

B: & O/L M Corbett 96/100, 2nd B: S Balogh  
89/100

C: N Simms 79/100

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## *American Skeet—September*

Murrumbidgee 100 Target American Skeet  
Championship

Cloudy, cool, 11 degrees.

A: & O/L R Kneipp 96/100

B: I Latter 93/100, 2nd B: N Jones 80/100

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## *Five Stand—August*

Twenty one shooters from Canberra and surrounding district attended the August Five Stand which consisted of two 50 Target events. The morning was frosty but cleared to a fine day with the occasional cold breeze to remind us that Winter was still here.

Again Course Planners broke with convention and the stands were located to the left and about inline with the far edge of the skeet houses (soon we will be down the paddock). Shooters were presented with a broad range of targets which were quite a challenge and this was reflected in the scores.

### **EVENT 1**

A Andrew Paddison 43/50

B Bill Warriner 43/50

C Suzy Balogh  
32/50

### **EVENT 2**

A Andrew Paddison 46/50

B Bill Warriner 44/50

C Suzy Balogh 41/50



August Five Stand winners.

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## *Five Stand—September*

Canberra shot their monthly Five Stand in near perfect Spring weather – 21 degrees, sky clear, winds L&V. The range was fairly conventional with rabbits, springers and overhead targets in addition to the more standard skeet targets. Shooters handled the targets well except for one overhead which had a tendency to die fairly quickly and brought quite a few shooters undone.

Scores were :

### **EVENT 1**

A/Overall Bill Warriner 46/50

B Ian Latter 42/50

C Marg Warriner 34/50

### **EVENT 2**

A/Overall Andrew Paddison 45/50

B Steve Balogh 42/50

Our thanks go to those who helped set up and take down the range plus Terry Forest who kept us fed and watered for the day.

Good Shooting  
Canberra Inter



September Overall Five Stand Winner Bill Warriner with Andrew Paddison

### *New Shooter Sunday—October*

October New Shooter Sunday was a relatively quiet affair with less than half the people who had booked turning up. Probably a casualty of the long weekend, day light saving and the uncertain weather. However, those who turned up seemed to enjoy themselves shooting Skeet, Rabbit and Incomer targets. As a consolation we enjoyed a pleasant lunch time barbeque with Paddo and we did a few odd jobs around the place.



The new shooters

### *National Bank Australia Corporate Day*

The Club held a Corporate afternoon shoot for Senior Partner Peter Dalton and NAB Staff from Goulburn and Canberra. Shooters self catered in the form of a delicious Barbeque before splitting into two groups for a 15 target familiarization which included Incoming, Skeet and Rabbit targets. This was then followed by a 10 target fun comp. One shooter surprised us all by breaking all 10 targets.

The Bank crew



### *Paloma hunting in Argentina*

Some of our members have been lucky enough to travel to Argentina to enjoy the exceptional experience of hunting paloma. Paloma are an indigenous pigeon that is a major agricultural pest in Argentina. In one area alone there are over 30 million paloma and left unchecked their numbers would spiral out of control. Local businesses have taken advantage of this over abundance and offer fully catered hunting experiences making sustainable use of this resource. The visitors make a valuable contribution to the local economy and made very welcome.

The birds are very numerous, they fly very fast and are a challenging target for the wing shooter. They are also delicious to eat and the harvest is consumed by the visitors and by the local community.

The shooting is from stationary stands at passing birds: much like driven game, but the Paloma are

not being pushed. The stands are typically positioned around breaks in the thorn scrub. Twenty and twenty eight gauge guns are used and they are quite adequate to the task.

The hunting experience is very different to that which might be experienced in Australia. Depending on where you stay the accommodation can be luxurious, the food prepared by a restaurant quality chef and the hospitality and service exceptional. On a shooting estancia you will be driven to the shooting station accompanied by a loader who will bring everything you could conceivably need. He will also load your gun between shots and collect up the birds at the end of the day. On return you can prepare yourself for another three course meal.

A further highlight is the abundant wildlife. Eagles, Caracaras and foxes take their share of the harvest and can be observed at close range from the shooting stand. The general bird life is varied and abundant. There may also be puma lurking in the undergrowth. A truly unique experience.

dams were full and the beautiful Yanco Creek was flowing steadily. Sadly there were few ducks and even less rice. Rob got one or two each day but Jason and George were struggling to break their ducks. However, George's springer spaniel puppy, Cassie, got to retrieve her first duck ever. Sadly, his labrador, Ginnie, jumped off the back of a moving ute and has a complicated fracture of a thigh bone. It does not look at all good, but maybe she can be patched up.



Rob and Chelsea

## Duck Risotto



Cassie's first duck

On the October long weekend Rob Butterworth, Jason Kite and George Fane drove to a property a bit south of Narrandera in the hope of assisting the rice industry and the vegans. It is a place where CITC has shot a few times before. The weather was good and so was the place and the company. The

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