



Bull Barrel



A Quarterly Newsletter of SSAA T03 Pontville Branch Inc, Incorporating the Glenorchy Hand Gun Club. Vol.5 Dec 2009

From the Committee:

The next Open Committee meeting will be on Monday 14th Dec, starting at 7:00pm at the AIF Smallbore Range Clubrooms. Any other matters that need to be brought to the Committee's attention at other meetings can be presented via the Secretary.

The Branch now has 500+ registered members. Keep up the good work and spread the word. Don't forget, sign up a junior and help our sport grow.

Committee Decisions and Items of Interest:

- Continuing negotiations with AIF for the effective management of our facilities.
- New range inspection guidelines have been approved.
- Range Safety – A group is to be established to address range safety. Captains are to make sure firearms are cleared after practice sessions.

Committee

President: Don Riddell, **Snr VP:** Gilbert Steenhuis, **Jnr VP:** Paul Durkin, **Treasurer:** Michael Cook
Secretary: Shane Bowden, **Committee:** Denis Bergman, John Breen, Rhonda Cains, Neil Coates, David Howard, Graeme Fish, Phil Guest, Craig Parker, Brian Schmidt, Janusz Wozniak.

For Your Information:

Participation Cards – A Reminder

Participation cards for handgun shooters - Firearms Services will not mail these out to individuals unless requested. They are available at the Mitchell Range. It's getting close to the end of another year so make sure your cards are up to date and posted in. It might pay to photocopy them first.

What's In a Name? - Last Chance

In the last two editions you were reminded that we are still officially SSAA T03 **Pontville** but have not had events at Pontville for some time. Given our current location, what do you think our new name should be? The cut-off time for suggestions is the next Open Committee meeting on Monday 14th December, 2009.



Christmas BBQ – Be There!

Come and enjoy our Christmas BBQ and trophy presentations, at the AIF Smallbore Range on Sunday 20 December. Look for the fliers and get your name down for this great annual event. Next year's roster should be available then.



Winners everywhere at last year's Trophy Presentation

Please support the Bull Barrel

This is your newsletter so please feel free to contribute. If you have any articles that you wish to have published please submit them to Phil Guest or Shane Bowden

Secure Your Gun

"Secure your gun, secure your sport" promotion by SSAA - very pertinent at the moment as there have been quite a few burglaries lately.

St Virgil's College Juniors

This year has once again seen a team of Junior Shooters from St Virgil's College at Austins Ferry participate within our club. The boys have undertaken training in the use of long arms at the AIF Smallbore Range. They have competed in regular rimfire field rifle and metallic silhouette competitions both within the club and in national postal shoots. More recently some of these juniors competed in the State Rimfire Field Rifle and 3P Championships with most winning medals at the junior level and one taking a placing in the grades. Their final event for this year will be on Saturday 12th December at the Mitchell Handgun Range where they will get a taste of IPSC and Single Action shooting. We may need some help on this day so if you can come along please do.

Champions Galore!

On the weekend of 2-5 October this year, 7 of our members, Alan Hutchinson, Andrew Judd, Brian Schmidt, James and Leon O'Brien, Shane Bowden and Ted Chambers, went to Batemans Bay in NSW to compete in the SSAA National Rifle Metallic Silhouette Championships. This four day event had the second highest attendance for a SSAA RMS National competition, which unfortunately caught the organisers a little unawares. As a result the Centrefire Hunting Rifle component of the weekend had to be cancelled due to lack of time.

Tasmanian State Championships

Competition		Rimfire Field Rifle	
Grade	Score	Name	Medal
AA	381.08	James O'Brien	G
AA	361.00	Leon O'Brien	S
A	374.05	Adam Bowden	G
A	371.03	Tony Jarvis	S
A	366.03	Tom Banks	B
B	334.01	Rod Jones	G
B	326.03	Liam Stewart	S
C	330.04	James Robbins	G
C	285.01	Barry Joseph	S
C	280.00	Alex White	B
15+	326.03	Liam Stewart	G
15+	280.00	Alex White	S
u/15	254.02	Mitchell Stevens	G
u/15	254.01	Josh Drew	S
u/15	253.00	Dylan Webb	B

Competition		Rimfire Rifle 3P	
Grade	Score	Name	Medal
AAA	573.13	James O'Brien	G
A	531.07	Leon O'Brien	G
A	525.02	Adam Bowden	S
A	506.04	Lindsay Story	B
B	480.02	James Robbins	G
C	399.00	Liam Stewart	G
C	385.02	Barry Joseph	S
C	367.01	Dylan Webb	B
15+	399.00	Liam Stewart	G
u/15	367.01	Dylan Webb	G
u/15	215.00	Jordan Marriott	S
u/15	171.00	Mitchell Stevens	B

Competition		Centrefire Field Rifle	
Grade	Score	Name	Medal
AA	382.03	James O'Brien	G
A	369.02	Don Riddell	G
A	351.05	Shane Bowden	S
A	350.03	Leon O'Brien	B
B	369.01	Jamie Hajdasz	G
B	358.02	Adam Bowden	S
B	340.00	Denis Bergman	B
C	319.02	Lee-Anne Riddell	G
C	318.01	Brian Schmidt	S
C	291.01	Roy Smedley	B

Competition		Centrefire Rifle 3P	
Grade	Score	Name	Medal
AA	568.04	James O'Brien	G
A	487.02	Leon O'Brien	G
B	533.01	Shane Bowden	G
B	510.02	Adam Bowden	S
B	504.04	Don Riddell	B
C	531.05	Jamie Hajdasz	G
C	423.01	Lee-Anne Riddell	S
C	419.01	Gilbert Steenhuis	B

Also:

Our Branch hosted the SSAA Tasmanian 2009 Rimfire Rifle Scoped 3 Positional and Field Rifle Championships at the AIF Smallbore Range. This was a 2 day event held over the weekend of 14-15 November.

And:

The SSAA Tasmanian 2009 Centrefire Rifle Scoped 3 Positional and Field Rifle Championships were conducted by our Branch at the SSAA Blue Hills range at Copping on Sunday 22 November.

Also:

Andy Judd and Ted Chambers (below) have been selected on the Cowboy Silhouette team to participate in the USA and James O'Brien has been selected on the Pacific Regional Games team to compete in NZ



Andy and Ted – Proof that there are opportunities to participate in competitions at the highest level.

Also:

Two of our members went well in the RMS postal shoot; AAA Grade, 3rd, Nigel Gibson, 26/40
AA Grade, 2nd, James O'Brien, 27/40