



# Bull Barrel



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## *From the Committee:*

The next committee meetings will be on Monday:

**20<sup>th</sup> March 17<sup>th</sup> April and 15<sup>th</sup> May**

7:00pm at the AIF Clubrooms. Any matters that need to be brought to the Committee's attention can be presented to meetings via the Secretary.

### **2022-2023 Committee**

**President:** John McDonald **Snr VP:** Shane Bowden,  
**Jnr VP:** Paul Durkin, **Treasurer:** Phyllis Kannis  
**Secretary:** Phil Guest **Committee:** Craig Parker,  
Gilbert Steenhuis, Frank Mitchell, Glen Hanlon,  
Colin Catto, Paul Hunniford, Mat Rao and Dane Cook.

## *For Your Information:*



### **Presentation Day 2022**

About 30 people celebrated Presentation Day with numbers down due to inclement weather and other commitments.

Matt R & Co. cooked fresh pasta on the day to add some variety to the usual sumptuous fare. Certificate presentations were made inside the clubrooms due to the poor weather.



Thanks to cooks, bottle washers, raffle donors and to those who attended. Congratulations to all certificate winners and to Jonathon, Gerald and Pat who were worthy Service Award recipients.

## **Working Bee**

**Next working bee** is on 30<sup>th</sup> April January at both ranges Please try to attend as there is always heaps to do and so few to do it.

## **Mitchell Range News**



T03 finally has security of tenure. A 10+10-year lease has been negotiated and executed. The expanded area comprises the entire title outlined in blue and a licenced area in red, which is a part of another title. The new lease provides options for development and design work for a Mitchell Range Master Plan has begun in earnest.

Thanks to Frank, the compressor now has an electric motor which significantly simplifies use of the device and pleasantly reduces noise levels.

Tas Police are currently using Range A for practice requirement for all officers in the Southern District. As the range will be open, Colin has kindly offered to open Range C to members for every Wednesday until the 12<sup>th</sup> April and will then revert to only the first Wednesday of the month. This is a good opportunity to get some shoots in rather than leaving them to the end of the year.

To facilitate a smooth transition from morning to afternoon events, the last detail of Classic and Action will begin no later than 11.30 am. Steel Challenge can start early but the first course of fire will not be dismantled before the rostered start time.

A new fixed table outside the canteen area, and storage shelves inside have been positioned for members to place and secure their gear when not in use. Please use these facilities rather than other bench space in the canteen or the ground where trip hazards can be created.

Patrons can now enjoy much improved sanitary conditions thanks to the efforts of Shane, Jonathon and Paul H. Good job!

## AIF Range News

The internal painting of the AIF clubrooms is complete and toilet doors will be next to be painted. A welcome desk and scoring area have been updated. Well done Jonathon.

New wind indicators of Olympic standard are in use thanks to Shane's efforts.

A flashing red light has been manufactured, delivered and mounted on the 100m flagpole thanks to Dane, but still needs some fine tuning to work consistently.

Four bench rests and six rear bags have been purchased and received. Two spotting scopes have been donated.

Shane cleaned 95 litres of brass which was sold for \$360.

## Ripper Ronnie!



Known to the cowboys as Rotten Ronnie, maybe a name change is in order. Recently a truck load of FCR destined for Range A had to be dumped at the AIF Range. Ronnie, with the help of Damian and Paul, saved the day by trucking and spreading the misplaced material. As an expression of gratitude for ongoing support Ripper Ronnie was recently presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a small contribution to offset the rising cost of diesel.

## \$\$ To Audit or not to Audit \$\$

It was a long-standing requirement for SSAA branches to provide a professional audit of the books. The law changed and exempted an organisation with an income of less than \$250,000 from having to provide an audit to Consumer Affairs.

Our latest constitution reflects that change but for the past two years the committee decided to continue commissioning an accountant to provide an Auditor's Report. The cost to the club is now over \$1000 per report which is money the committee thinks could be better spent elsewhere and proposes that an in-house procedure of audit be developed and accepted by both committee and members.

The treasurer provides detailed reports to the committee each month and processes about 110 payments per year which is quite small. It should be possible to provide members before or at the AGM with acceptable or even better access to the books without a professional audit. The committee is keen to get feedback from members regarding this proposal so have a chat or send an email.

## Juniors Free

Thanks to everyone for accepting the necessary increase in range fees this year. Quite a few regular members are taking advantage of the discounted shoot cards and annual pass. The committee has also decided to abolish range fees for juniors whether they are accompanied by a full paying member or not.

## Pensioner?

A reminder that to be eligible for the \$10 pensioner concession rate, your SSAA Membership Card must be marked Pensioner rather than Adult in the bottom-right corner.

## Signing Participation Cards

Recognising Club Approval participation requirements, Participation Cards will only be signed after the holder has participated in a T03 shooting activity. A Range Officer or Club Official can sign the card only after they have witnessed the holder train or compete. Only a Club Official can sign if a witness is not available, and it is the opinion of the Club Official that the holder did participate in the club's shooting activity.



ANZAC Day falls on the fourth Tuesday of April which is a rostered BR 30 shoot. In recognition of the significance of the day and especially the morning, organisers have decided to cancel the shoot.

## 2023 Glenorchy Range Fees

|                    | <i>Adult</i> | <i>Pension</i> |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|
| <b>Full</b>        | <b>\$12</b>  | <b>\$10</b>    |
| <b>15 Card</b>     | <b>\$144</b> | <b>\$122</b>   |
| p/s                | \$9.60       | \$8.16         |
| <b>25 Card</b>     | <b>\$210</b> | <b>\$179</b>   |
| p/s                | \$8.40       | \$7.14         |
| <b>Annual Pass</b> | <b>\$360</b> | <b>\$306</b>   |
| p/s @ 50 pa        | \$7.20       | \$6.12         |



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