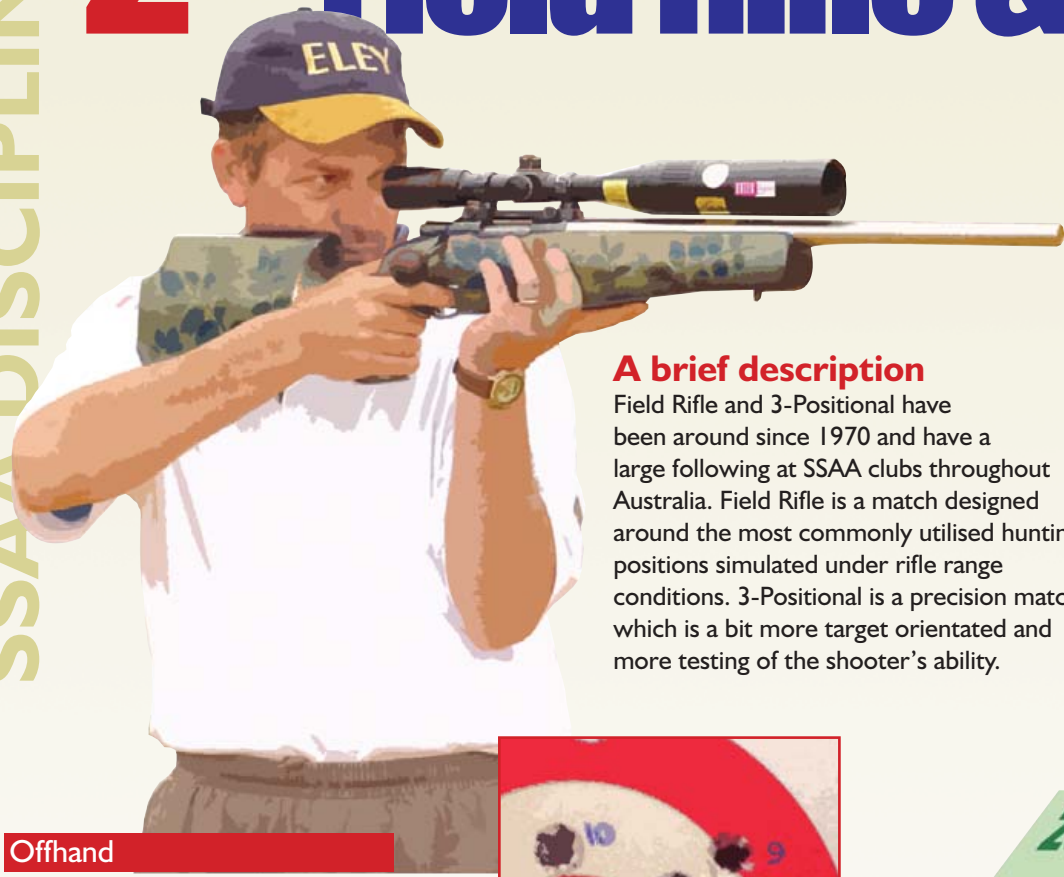


Field Rifle & 3-Positional



A brief description

Field Rifle and 3-Positional have been around since 1970 and have a large following at SSAA clubs throughout Australia. Field Rifle is a match designed around the most commonly utilised hunting positions simulated under rifle range conditions. 3-Positional is a precision match which is a bit more target orientated and more testing of the shooter's ability.



Targets

- A - Centrefire target
- B - 200m centrefire field rifle target
- C - Rimfire target

Offhand



Scoring

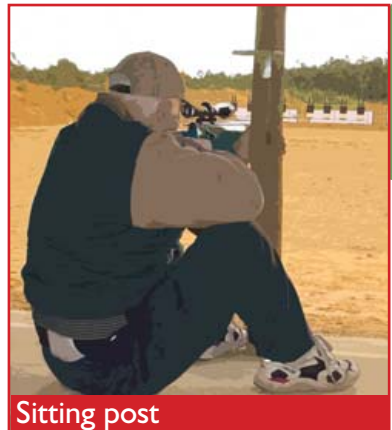
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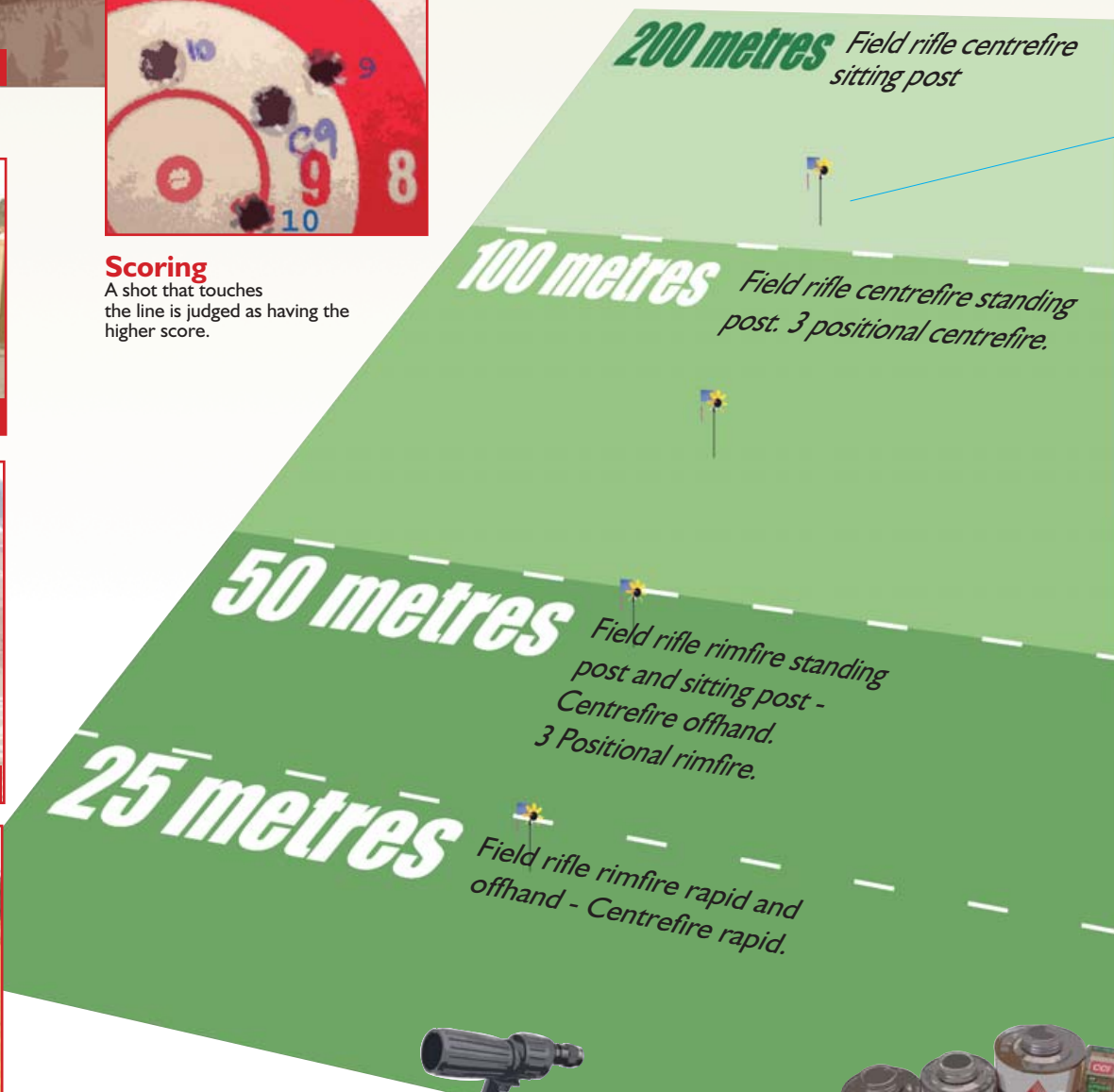
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Standing post



Sitting post



Wind flags

Competitors are free to make their own, and experimentation of any kind in this area is encouraged. It is a requirement to have flags at a registered match.

The range

- Field Rifle rimfire 25m, rapid & off-hand 50m for standing post & sitting post.
- Field Rifle centrefire rapid 25m off-hand 50m standing post 100m sitting post 200m.
- 3 Positional rimfire is 50m
- 3 Positional centrefire is 100m.

Ammunition

For the rimfire 22LR most use a target variety with brands such as Eley, Lapau, RWS, SK, Winchester and Remington being popular. As for centrefire a high percentage of shooters reload their own using mainly Australian-made powder (ADI) and other benchrest quality components to get the best out of their gear.

Dress rules

For Field Rifle, clothing must suit the climatic conditions; no unnecessarily heavy clothing is allowed. For 3-Positional a shooter is allowed to wear a custom shooting jacket (the popular brand being Walden Miller).



Spotting scope

Spotting scopes are allowed for competitors' own use, and spectators usually keep a close eye on proceedings with them as well.



The rules

Basic rules are rifle weights of 4kg for the Rimfires and 5kg for the Centrefires; any sight can be used and any calibre of choice can be used in the centrefire events. It is suggested that prospective participants obtain the appropriate rule book from the SSAA merchandise department - see merchandise pages in the Australian Shooter magazine or look up the online merchandise catalogue on the SSAA web site.

The rifle

A very high percentage of the rifles are modified and accurised in some way, with bedding and match quality triggers being very common. In Rimfire there are two outstanding rifle brands: Brno and Anschutz. In Centrefire you can add Remington and Sako. The choice for scopes in Rimfire and Centrefire is Tasco and Leupold and of these it's the high-powered variables with ranges of 6-24 power that feature. Of the rifle stocks, 35% are modified or restocked to fit with target shooting principles of high cheekpieces and deep handgrips. Among barrels, 15-20% have been rebarrelled mainly with the Australian brands to get the better edge on accuracy. As for calibres in Centrefire it's the target quality that prevails with .222, .223, 6x47, .308, 6mm PPC, .22 BR among the most popular.

Sako 6PPC



Shoot Field Rifle and 3P

All states conduct these matches. Contact the local SSAA range to see if they conduct the matches or contact the SSAA state office.

