

2010 NSW State Trap Carnival

The NSWCTA State Carnival was held on the October long weekend. With over 300 pre-nominations, it was sure to be a great weekend.

The Champion of Champions got underway at noon on Friday, with fine weather and just enough of a breeze to make it interesting. Congratulations to Phil Grainger on his OA win with the only possible shot.

Saturday morning started with the official opening ceremony which saw some very special moments. To meet Don Scowcroft with his wife, Barbara and to induct Don into the Hall of Fame was an absolute pleasure. Don's records were certainly an impressive read. Here are just a few of his achievements: 8 National Runner ups 7 State Titles, 10 Mackintosh Teams and was the first shooter to shoot 50 off 27 yards. The State is proud to congratulate Don on his induction.

Then we moved on to the award of Life Membership to Lynne Teale. Lynne's dedication to clay target shooting and particularly the NSW State Assoc over the past 14 years was recognized and applauded. Congratulations Lynne.

We then moved on to the presentation of a new trophy for the Ladies High Gun. This was donated by the Hawkins family in memory of their parents Ern and Verl Hawkins who are both Life Members of NSW. The State would like to thank the family for this generous gift.

With team photos taken and the official duties over, the day got under way with the Double Rise. Congratulations to Marc Crimmins on his win with 58-60.

The Double Barrel was shot and with 12 squads of possibles, by 6.00pm we were down to 2 squads in the shoot off to return Sunday morning. . . . And so it went until we had a winner. Well done to Bryan Manns for his 643-643, a fine effort.

Sunday started with the Zone Teams . Well done to the following teams:

Open – Western Zone Ladies – Western Zone Junior – Northern Zone Veterans – Riverina Zone

On with the Single Barrel and after a shoot off, we saw the trophy go to Justin Hitchins with 71-71 from Tasmania. Well done Justin.

Then came the Point Score, which saw the runner up from the Double Barrel turn the tables and came up trumps with a fine win to Mat Patmore 268-268. Well done Mat.

Monday started at 8.30am with the Handicap and no one could have foreseen the excellent shooting that was about to take place. After a terrific shoot off we saw Tom Turner Jnr win and set a NSW State record shooting 100 targets from 25 meters. Well done Tom.

Now, with only the teams and High guns, to finalise, a very good carnival was coming to an end.

Congratulations to Craig Fitzgerald on taking the Carnival High Gun with 381-390.

High praise to all those who shot well enough to make a NSW State team.

I would like to thank all those involved - the NSW State Executive and their partners, Frank Auditore, the trappers and all the volunteers who assisted in making the carnival a great success.

A special thanks to the following sponsors for their continued support: Casella Wines, Spartan Global, Tamworth Firearms, Eley, Camilleri Custom Stocks, Horsley Park Gun Shop, Clay Target Co and Wagga Fishing World.

We would also like to thank the Uranquinty Hotel for their great job of keeping the masses fed and watered. We are very happy to accept their offer of sponsorship to be directed towards Juniors.

Here are some interesting stats from the carnival: Shooters in attendance – 307
Broken down by states was: NSW 222, Vic 53, QLD 6, SA 5, WA 4, TAS 6, ACT 11
Veterans 31, Ladies 42, Juniors 61
Grades: AA 141, A 82, B 52, C 23

It is extremely encouraging to the state to see that a third of the numbers is from Ladies and Junior competitors.

The state looks forward to continuing to make this carnival a worthy and enjoyable October long weekend.

Yours
Paul Watchorn
President NSWCTA

Trap Carnival Results

Event 1 – Champion of Champions

O/A went to Phil Grainger of Noorat Gun Club with 125/125, 1st in AA went to Arthur Turner of Cobar Clay Target Club with 199/200, 2nd in AA went to Chris Langridge of Castlemain Gun Club with 197/200, 3rd in AA went to Steve Haberman of Echuca Clay Target Club with 173/175, 1st in A went to John Maxwell of Wagga Gun Club with 124/125, 2nd in A went to Ray Wesh of Bega Gun Club with 138/140, 3rd in A went to Peter Ewart of Cooma Gun Club with 134/140, 1st in B went to Dean Jeffery of Hermidale Gun Club with 142/150, 2nd in B went to Josh Aitken of Noorat Gun Club with 141/150, 3rd in B went to Brock Goodwin of NLMCTC with 141/150, 1st in C went to Taylah-Jane Turner of Cessnock Clay Target Club with 121/125, 2nd in C went to Shayne Wallis of Bordertown Gun Club with 115/125, 3rd in C went to Jesse Hoare of Noorat Gun Club with 111/125. Ladies – Kate Schiller, Veterans – Peter Fitzalan, Junior – Matt Schiller, Sub-Junior – John Duryea.

Event 2 – Double Rise Championship

O/A went to Marc Crimmins of Little River Game Ranch with 58/60, 1st in AA went to John Crompton of Sydney Clay Target Club with 57/60, 2nd in AA went to Robert Lieta of Albury Wodonga Clay Target Club with 54/60, 3rd in AA went to Michael Kruger-Davis of Narrandera Clay Target Club with 57/60, 1st in A went to Kevin Heywood of Narromine Clay Target Club with 45/50, 2nd in A went to Darryl Reed of Tumut Clay Target Club with 44/50, 3rd in A went to James Willett of Corowa Clay Target Club with 44/50, 1st in B went to Josh Aitken with 42/50, 2nd in B went to Samuel Bylsma of Bundaberg Clay Target Club with 59/70, 3rd in B went to David Player of Orange Clay Target Club with 58/70, 1st in C went to Barry Mitchell of Goolma Clay Target Club with 43/50, 2nd in C went to Shayne Wallis with 39/50, 3rd in C went to Jesse Hoare with 38/50. Ladies – Tracey Barton, Veterans – Doug Thomas, Junior – Matt Schiller, Sub-Junior – James Willett.

Event 3 – Double Barrel Championship

O/A went to Bryan Manns of Cobar Clay Target Club with 643/643, 1st in AA went to Matthew Patmore of West Wyalong Clay Target Club with 642/643, 2nd in AA went to Stephen Atkins of Euchuca Clay Target Club with 447/448, 3rd in AA went to Peter Fitzalan of Dubbo Gun Club with 435/436, 1st in A went to Peter Ewart with 144/144, 2nd in A went to John Maxwell with 143/144, 3rd in A went to Emma Cox of Euchuca Clay Target Club with 98/99, 1st in B went to Robert Alston of Orange Clay Target Club with 71/71, 2nd in B went to Phillip Body of Bega Gun Club with 70/71, 3rd in B went to Damien Pereira of Wagga Gun Club with 69/71, 1st in C went to Adrian Gargaro of Hay Gun Club with 65/65, 2nd in C went to Dane Doyle of Hay Gun Club with 64/65, 3rd in C went to Barry Mitchell with 49/50. Ladies – Meagan Boast, Veteran – Peter Fitzalan, Junior – Meagan Boast, Sub-Junior – John Duryea.

Event 4 – Single Barrel Championship

O/A went to Justin Hutchens of Hobart Gun Club with 71/71, 1st in AA went to Gary Kelly of Geraldton Clay Target Club with 70/71, 2nd in AA went to John Crompton with 67/68, 3rd in AA went to Tony Arvanitakis of NSWGC with 66/67, 1st in A went to Gerard Harrison of Hay Gun Club with 49/50, 2nd in A went to Neville Teale of Bega Gun Club with 57/59, 3rd in A went to Gary Kennerson of Sydney Clay Target Club with 56/59, 1st in B went to Robert Alston with 51/52, 2nd in B went to John Aitken with 50/52, 3rd in B went to Gerard Sainsbury of Boggabri Gunnedah Gun Club with 53/56, 1st in C went to Trudi Tulloh of Cobar Clay Target Club with 43/51, 2nd in C went to Russell Sainsbury of Boggabri Gunnedah Gun Club with 44/53, 3rd in C went to Bradley Mitchell of Goolma Clay Target Club with 43/52. Ladies – Helen Overton, Veteran – Robert Alston, Junior - Josh Aitken, Sub-Junior – James Willett.

Event 5 – Points Score Championship

O/A went to Matthew Patmore with 268/268, 1st in AA went to Michael Mitton of Grenfell Gun Club with 267/268, 2nd in AA went to Matthew Stokes of Port Augusta Gun Club with 197/198, 3rd in AA went to Doug Thomas of Finley Gun Club with 162/165, 1st in A went to Ray Welsh of Bega Gun Club with 149/150, 2nd in A went to Neville Teale with 168/171, 3rd in A went to Kevin Bourke of Guyra Gun Club with 167/171, 1st in B went to Peter Haley of Bathurst Gun Club with 147/150, 2nd in B went to Samual Bylsma with 146/150, 3rd in B went to Brock Goodwin with 145/150, 1st in C went to Barry Mitchell with 146/153, 2nd in C went to Adrian Gargaro with 143/153, 3rd in C went to Shayne Wallis with 141/150. Ladies – Samantha Peck, Veteran – Doug Thomas, Junior – George Lysandrou, Sub-Junior – James Willett.

Event 6 – Handicap

O/A with a score of 100/100 went to Tom Turner (JNR) of Cessnock, 2nd place with a score of 99/100 went to Leigh Stokes of Traralgon Clay Target Club, 3rd place with a score of 91/92 went to Benjamin Shingles of Cooma Gun Club, 4th place with a score of 83/84 went to Nathan McDonnell of Werribee Gun Club, 5th Place with a score of 71/72 went to John Maxwell.

High Guns

O/A High Gun went to Craig Fitzgerald with 381/390
AA Grade High Gun went to Matthew Patmore with 380/390
A Grade High Gun went to James Willett with 332/350
B Grade High Gun went to Samual Bylsma with 326/350
C Grade High Gun went to Barry Mitchell with 314/350
Ladies High Gun went to Tracey Barton with a score of 330/350
Veteran High Gun went to Doug Thomas with a score of 337/350
Junior High Gun went to Matt Hayden with a score of 329/350
Sub-Junior High Gun went to James Willett with a score of 332/350
State Champion went to Tony Arvanitakis with a score of 323/325

Shoulder to Shoulder Teams

Open: Arthur Turner, Matthew Patmore, Tony Arvitakis, Bryan Manns, Glenn Kable

Ladies: Samantha Peck, Helen Overton, Kate Schiller

Veterans: Neville Teale, Peter Holmes, Doug Thomas

Juniors: Gerard Sainsbury, James Willett, Nicholas Brown