

# SHOOTERS OF TODAY

Q2 2018 edition  
Written by Carrie Paulsen

**Dear Shooters,**

Welcome to the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the State Newsletter for 2018. Being half way through the shooting season, there is a lot to recap on already. At a state level, our President Vern Godfrey & Secretary Sue Green have been very busy preparing documentation for the Department of Sport & Recreation for the successful grant of \$10,000 that is now in the State's bank account... PARTY TIME! Just kidding! ☺ this money is used towards coaching clinics and further development of the sport.

We are already two qualifiers down and Harvey was the first cab off the rank hosting our first state qualifier for 2018 in March. The State and Harvey Sporting Clays welcomed 69 shooters and the reviews were all very positive on the running of the shoot and target presentation.

The scores were high and saw our National President, Tony Trainor winning high gun with a total score of 95 / 100. Closely followed by Aidan Cooper on 94. The weather was freakishly perfect that day, with zero wind and beautiful conditions and as a result of this we saw a lot of high scores. Mother nature was too kind to us that day. ☺

Pegasus held the 2<sup>nd</sup> State Qualifier mid-May with a total of 62 shooters in attendance. Pegasus were showcasing some brand spanking new grounds that I absolutely loved shooting at. Pegasus and WAFGA challenged the shooters ability with some new and varied targets including a pesky uphill & downhill rabbit sim pair and challenged their fitness levels by making shooters walk half a mile to get to there! Thank god the boys had placed signs of encouragement around the ground.

Boodgie (Rhys Howard) took out high gun with a score of 89/100 with Michael McDonald trailing closely behind with a score of 87 / 100. Lancelin put on a beautiful sunny day, with light winds. A great day was had by all with a lot of great feedback about the freshly cut grounds. I am very excited to see what Pegasus has in store for us all at their next shoot.

Read on for interviews with our 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> State Qualifier winners – Tony Trainor and Rhys Howard, Hunting & Habitat news including club updates from Harvey, Wanneroo, Pegasus & Wannamal. I have also pulled a few recipes out of the archives – Goat Chilli and Pot Roast of Boar by 'Tapeworm' from a December 1995 edition. If anybody has a delicious recipe they would like shared to the WAFGA readers, please send it to me to include in our next edition.

Once again, I welcome any feedback about the newsletter – if there is something in particular members would like to read about, please shoot me an email at [cpaulsen@rtgmining.com](mailto:cpaulsen@rtgmining.com) or have a chat and a beer with me at the next State Qualifier in Geraldton on the June long weekend.

Happy Shooting folks!

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## INFORMATION

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### THE STATE URGENTLY NEEDS MORE REFEREES!

As our beloved sport is growing rapidly, we are urging members to sit their referee accreditation so that we can fully comply with the FITASC rules.

#### What is involved?

A written test (this can be done before a shoot). It will take approximately 30 minutes to complete.

Once your written test is completed, you will then need to sit a practical exam. This usually happens during a shoot, where you will become the referee for your squad. The examiner will test your refereeing ability and will mark you accordingly.

There is no cost to become a referee.

The more people that understand the rules, the better our sport will be!

### ALL CLUBS NEED HELP!

To organize a shoot is a mammoth job for any club. If you are attending these events and notice that a club can use a helping hand packing up, in the office, kitchen, etc please offer your assistance and help!

Regardless of what club you are a member of, we all form the one Association. The more help we can provide, the better run these events and our Association will be.

### HANDICAP BOOKS

If your club requires new handicap books – please contact the State Target Director or the State Secretary.

Clubs! Please remember to advise the State Target Director of any books issued so there are no duplicate books issued to the sandbaggers. ☺

### REMINDER – VEHICLE SAFETY

If you are driving at a range, please ensure you have signed the SCA insurance form (see club representatives for further information).

If you are riding a quad, you **MUST** wear a helmet and please remember that riding in the back of a ute is not covered on insurance. You do this at your own risk!!!

### ASSOCIATIONS ONLINE – NOTICE FOR CLUB SECRETARIES & TREASURERS

Associations and clubs are required to submit an information statement to Consumer Protection every year. This statement confirms the association is still active, eligible to be incorporated and has held its Annual General Meeting.

Information statements must be lodged within six (6) months after the end of an association's financial year.

Associations and clubs can choose their own financial year so the due date for submitting the statement may differ between groups.

If you are not already registered for Associations Online, please register ASAP.

More information can be found at the below website:

<https://www.commerce.wa.gov.au/consumer-protection/associations-information-statement>







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**CLUB NEWS – WANNAMAL**  
Written by Glenn Povey, President

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Hi All,

It only seems like a few weeks ago the season was kicking off and we now already halfway through the year!

The progress for Wannamal is still moving in a forward direction, the planning Sub-Committee has been busy scouring auction web sites and chasing bargains for the club, at a recent auction attended in Toodyay we successfully purchased a fridge, bain-marie, a commercial toaster (for all those bacon and egg toasties) and some stainless-steel kitchen benches. This will make Coop's life a lot easier in the kitchen. It is our aim to continue looking for items that will be required for our set up at the grounds.

The Committee has also been very active at the grounds, with multiple trips made during March, April and May, meeting with the land owner and planning the layout of the new club house and all additional buildings.

The review of our submission was slightly delayed due to the Shire requesting further information be included on our site plan. All buildings were measured and pegged out with our updated site plan including all boundary measurements, setbacks and elevations for the club house, accommodation, storage sheds, ablution placement and leach drain capacity.

The Wandering Shire outsources all planning and development to the Kalamunda Shire. So far, we have found the Kalamunda Shire to be positive and very helpful with our submission. We are in constant contact with the Shire to monitor the progress of our submission.

As part of the application process, the Shire is required to advertise the Club's submission locally. Giving all residents an opportunity to support or object to the application. We are pleased to note that the Wandering community has shown significant support towards the clubs relocation, with an abundance of supporting letters being sent to the Kalamunda & Wandering Shire.

Carrie has been in contact with the Shire CEO and the Club will soon make a presentation to Shire and local residents. We anticipate this will be presented towards the end of June.

The Club will hold an event exclusive to Wannamal members only, to give our members first go of the ground and whilst we are confident the event planned for the end August will proceed, facilities at the grounds may be a bit light, but it will give all shooters the opportunity to enjoy and view our new ground.

Good luck to all for the second half of the season.

Glenn Povey  
President  
Wannamal Sporting Clays

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CLUB NEWS – HARVEY

Written by Vern Godfrey, President

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Written by Carrie Paulsen

Hi all,

Harvey are pleased with the progress of the detailed plans for our Beretta Shoot on the first weekend in November. The shoot will be 150 sporting targets over 2 days and will be open to all shooters.

Random prizes for all grades of shooters over nominated sections of the course will be in addition to the usual grade prizes.

We welcome Harlen Anderson and Beretta who have come on board as the major sponsors for the shoot and will be on site over the weekend with a range of genuine Beretta merchandise and RC ammunition for sale.

Meals will be available at the club for the entire weekend. Saturday night dinner will be included in the nominations.

There will be plenty of camping on the grounds and hopefully we'll have some new sites to accommodate vans and campers.

It promises to be a great weekend so mark it on your must go to list.

A busy bee is planned at the club as soon as we get enough rain to soften the ground a bit and more work on the access tracks around the course and on shooting stands is also a high priority.

Look forward to seeing you at our next event.

Vern Godfrey 0419 440 129

President

Harvey Sporting Clays



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**CLUB NEWS – PERTH METRO, WANNEROO**  
Written by Wayne Mascord, President

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Written by Carrie Paulsen

Hi folks,

What a great couple of months we have seen at our club, the Anzac Commemorative 100 shoot was a great success with 54 shooter enjoying a nice sunny day and some challenging targets and some great prizes up for grabs

Congratulations go out to all the grade winners:

A Grade:

1<sup>st</sup> Ryan McPherson, 2<sup>nd</sup> Michael McDonald, 3<sup>rd</sup> Steve Tunnicliffe

B Grade:

1<sup>st</sup> Dan Cheeseman, 2<sup>nd</sup> Paul Bailey, 3<sup>rd</sup> Craig P

C Grade:

1<sup>st</sup> Steve Bastow, 2<sup>nd</sup> Paul C, 3<sup>rd</sup> Glen Doran

And Overall high gun going to Tony Trainor

On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of May Wanneroo held a practice day with two grounds set up to cater for all levels of ability, One ground was set for the beginner / C grade shooter to allow them to fine tune their technique with the targets set at a slower pace the second ground was set to challenge the B & A grade shooters with some faster and more challenging targets thrown.

From the feedback that we received everyone across both days really enjoyed the day and several people were still at the club well after the sun set enjoying a cold beer and having a good time.

Our next scheduled calendar shoot is the 4<sup>th</sup> State Qualifying shoot on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July, so hope to see you there.

Lastly Wanneroo Sporting Clays will be holding a busy bee on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June where we will be knocking over a few jobs that need doing around the grounds, so if you are able to spare a bit of time, your help will be greatly appreciated by the committee members, as we all know many hands make light work.

Look forward to seeing you all soon.

Regards  
Wayne Mascord  
PMFG President



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CLUB NEWS – PEGASUS

Written by Tommy Papadopoulos

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Written by Carrie Paulsen

Hi all,

We recently held the 2<sup>nd</sup> State Qualifier at Pegasus, the weather was great and all seemed to really enjoy themselves.

Thank you to Ryan McPherson, Luke Turner and Kevin Dodd for their hard work getting the grounds ready. The 2 new areas were well received and enabled the course setters to throw target never seen at the club before.

Thank you to the course setters – Arthur Page, Ryan McPherson along with their helpers – Luke Turner, Doug Coleman, Bill Truscott, Wildman. Thank you to Mike Hudspith representing WAFGA who attended and ran over the courses Saturday.

Special thanks to Kirsty and Ann for running the canteen, they did a fabulous job as always... I really appreciate you help – cheers!!!!

Last but not least, thank you to Sue Green and Anissa Jones for running the office on the day, another huge help that is greatly appreciated.

All in all a successful weekend, I look forward to seeing you all around the traps soon.

Note last chance to jump on board the NSW national shoot being held on the 10<sup>th</sup> June, let me know asap...

Regards,

Tommy Papadopoulos  
President

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**HUNTING & HABITAT NEWS**

Written by Howard Barks, H&H Director

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Dear members,

We have been very busy with a number of projects.

## **Rainbow lorikeets**

Recent discussions with the City of Swan have resulted in WAFGA being granted permission to carry out control shoots on parks and reserves in the City of Swan. This is a major step forward in our efforts in controlling these declared pests. There will be strict rules to follow to ensure the safety of the public and our members. Hopefully it will see us exceed the record tally we achieved last season.

## **Corellas**

Recently, I was invited to attend a seminar in May organised by the Western Australian Local Govt. Association and "Parks & Wildlife" to discuss control methods and it will be interesting to discuss different control methods.

## **Feral cats**

We are endeavouring to become more effective in feral cat control and to that end I shall be attending a feral cat seminar on 31st May and hope to learn more about cat control. We need to be much more active in this area as feral cats are having a devastating effect on our native fauna across Australia.

## **Donkey's**

In pastoral areas we will be continuing our feral herbivore & wild dog control once the cattle mustering season is completed, so from August members will have an opportunity to "go bush".

We continue to work with Dept. of Biodiversity Conservation & Attractions (e.g "Parks & Wildlife") on a number of interesting projects to control feral animals in national parks and conservation areas hopefully resulting more feral control shoots for WAFGA members.

Get out and about, do something good for the environment, it will make a change from cracking clays!!

Good hunting, stay safe.

Regards,

Howard  
Hunting & Habitat Director

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## RESULTS OF QUALIFIERS

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RESULTS WAFGA			
1 <sup>ST</sup> STATE QUALIFIER HARVEY			
18 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2018			
High Gun		Tony Trainor	95/100
AA Grade	1st:	Michael McDonald	92/100
	2nd:	Clayton Dennis	91/100
	3rd:	Gary Marsh	89/100
A Grade	1st:	Aidan Cooper	94/100
	2nd:	Luke Turner	92/100
	3rd:	Nick Melanko	92/100
B Grade	1st:	Brian Backhouse	82/100
	2nd:	Paul Bailey	82/100
	3rd:	Dan Cheeseman	81/100
C Grade	1st:	Paul Pitaro	80/100
	2nd:	Glen Doran	75/100
	3rd:	Stuart Cooper	65/100
Seniors	1st:	David Knight	87/100
	2nd:	Mike Hudspith	85/100
	3rd:	Grant Cooper	78/100
Ladies	1st:	Maria Dunnett	83/100
	2nd:	Tracey Grayer	71/100
Juniors	1st:	Morgan Robins	84/100
Sub Juniors	1 <sup>st</sup>	Cory Backhouse	74/100

RESULTS WAFGA			
2 <sup>ND</sup> STATE QUALIFIER PEGASUS			
20 <sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018			
High Gun		Rhys Howard	89/100
AA Grade	1st:	Michael McDonald	87/100
	2nd:	Clayton Dennis	84/100
A Grade	1st:	Nick Melanko	82/100
	2nd:	Luke Turner	81/100
	3rd:	Ken Green	79/100
B Grade	1st:	Dan Cheeseman	74/100
	2nd:	Paul Bailey	74/100
	3rd:	Stuart Cooper	71/100
C Grade	1st:	Neil Jeary	68/100
	2nd:	Glen Doran	65/100
	3rd:	Mark Robins	61/100
Seniors	1st:	Grant Cooper	85/100
	2nd:	Tony Trainor	85/100
	3rd:	Dave Knight	75/100
Ladies	1st:	Maria Dunnett	80/100
	2nd:	Tracey Grayer	74/100
Juniors	1st:	Byron Jones	73/100
Sub Juniors	1 <sup>st</sup>	Cory Backhouse	63/100



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LEADERBOARD AS IT STANDS AFTER 2<sup>ND</sup> QUALIFIER

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		HARVEY 18 MARCH		PEGASUS 20 MAY		Overall Score (Best 4 scores plus State Titles)		
First Name	Surname	Score	%	Score	%		Rank	
Open								
SEN	Tony	Trainor	95	100.00%	85	95.51%	195.51%	1
AA	Michael	McDonald	92	96.84%	87	97.75%	194.59%	2
AA	Clayton	Dennis	91	95.79%	84	94.38%	190.17%	3
A	Nick	Melanko	92	96.84%	82	92.13%	188.98%	4
A	Luke	Turner	92	96.84%	81	91.01%	187.85%	5
AA	Rhys	Howard	83	87.37%	89	100.00%	187.37%	6
AA	Ben	Sgro	87	91.58%	84	94.38%	185.96%	7
A	Glenn	Povey	86	90.53%	78	87.64%	178.17%	8
SEN	Grant	Cooper	78	82.11%	85	95.51%	177.61%	9
L	Maria	Dunnett	83	87.37%	80	89.89%	177.26%	10
AA	Ryan	McPherson	84	88.42%	79	88.76%	177.19%	11
SEN	Dave	Knight	87	91.58%	75	84.27%	175.85%	12
AA	Ken	Green	82	86.32%	79	88.76%	175.08%	13
A	Trevor	McDonald	83	87.37%	78	87.64%	175.01%	14
AA	Peter	Grayer	84	88.42%	76	85.39%	173.81%	15
A	Adian	Cooper	94	98.95%	66	74.16%	173.10%	16
AA	Alastair	Crookes	83	87.37%	75	84.27%	171.64%	17
A	Kiwi Kevin	Owen	86	90.53%	72	80.90%	171.43%	18
B	Paul	Bailey	82	86.32%	74	83.15%	169.46%	19
A	Mick	Thomas	76	80.00%	79	88.76%	168.76%	20
B	Dan	Cheeseman	81	85.26%	74	83.15%	168.41%	21
A	Peter	Riches	79	83.16%	74	83.15%	166.30%	22
J	Morgan	Robins	84	88.42%	68	76.40%	164.83%	23
A	Tom	Papadopolous	79	83.16%	72	80.90%	164.06%	24
AA	Doug	Coleman	80	84.21%	71	79.78%	163.99%	25
A	Steve	Tunncliffe	85	89.47%	66	74.16%	163.63%	26
SEN	Bill	Clarke	78	82.11%	71	79.78%	161.88%	27
J	Bryon	Jones	75	78.95%	73	82.02%	160.97%	28
B	Brian	Backhouse	82	86.32%	64	71.91%	158.23%	29
L	Tracey	Grayer	71	74.74%	74	83.15%	157.88%	30
B	Chris	Brown	77	81.05%	68	76.40%	157.46%	31
B	Vern	Godfrey	78	82.11%	67	75.28%	157.39%	32
A	Arthur	Page	70	73.68%	70	78.65%	152.34%	33
C	Glenn	Doran	75	78.95%	65	73.03%	151.98%	34
C	Paul	Pitaro	80	84.21%	60	67.42%	151.63%	35
L	Carrie	Paulsen	66	69.47%	73	82.02%	151.50%	36
B	Ian	Callan	70	73.68%	68	76.40%	150.09%	37
SJ	Cory	Backhouse	74	77.89%	63	70.79%	148.68%	38
C	Stuart	Cooper	65	68.42%	71	79.78%	148.20%	39
B	Graeme	Gemmill	78	82.11%	58	65.17%	147.27%	40
AA	Joe	Gurak	78	82.11%	58	65.17%	147.27%	40

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			Score	%	Score	%		
SEN	Bill	Truscott	67	70.53%	60	67.42%	137.94%	42
C	Mark	Robins	55	57.89%	61	68.54%	126.43%	43
L	Stacey	Bell	55	57.89%	55	61.80%	119.69%	44
SJ	Kate	Cooper	49	51.58%	51	57.30%	108.88%	45
AA	Gary	Marsh	89	93.68%	-	-	93.68%	46
SEN	Mike	Hudspith	85	89.47%	-	-	89.47%	47
L	Kylie	Dennis	44	46.32%	36	40.45%	86.77%	48
AA	Paul	Bowles	81	85.26%	-	-	85.26%	49
SEN	Kim	Halbert	-	-	75	84.27%	84.27%	50
A	Gary	Turley	76	80.00%	-	-	80.00%	51
J	Angus	Grant	-	-	70	78.65%	78.65%	52
B	Kevin	Dodd	74	77.89%	-	-	77.89%	53
A	Paul	Johnson	74	77.89%	-	-	77.89%	53
SEN	Steve	Bastow	-	-	68	76.40%	76.40%	55
C	Neil	Jeary	-	-	68	76.40%	76.40%	55
B	Luke	Hayward	-	-	65	73.03%	73.03%	57
C	Wayne	Mascord	-	-	65	73.03%	73.03%	57
C	David	Hamilton	-	-	61	68.54%	68.54%	59
C	Andrew	Smedley	-	-	61	68.54%	68.54%	59
SJ	Mason	Bowles	65	68.42%	-	-	68.42%	61
C	Jay	Waterhouse	64	67.37%	-	-	67.37%	62
C	Mike	Ledger	-	-	59	66.29%	66.29%	63
C	John	Walton	61	64.21%	-	-	64.21%	64
C	Sean	Harris	-	-	57	64.04%	64.04%	65
C	Greg	Taylor	60	63.16%	-	-	63.16%	66
A	Stuart	Wynn	-	-	56	62.92%	62.92%	67
SEN	Norm	Hancock	58	61.05%	-	-	61.05%	68
C	Gary	Harrison	56	58.95%	-	-	58.95%	69
C	Julian	Gardiner	-	-	52	58.43%	58.43%	70
L	Jo	Backhouse	55	57.89%	-	-	57.89%	71
C	Danny	Hatton	52	54.74%	-	-	54.74%	72
C	Warren	Goodfield	-	-	47	52.81%	52.81%	73
SEN	Nick	Bienkowski	50	52.63%	-	-	52.63%	74
C	Ben	Butcher	48	50.53%	-	-	50.53%	75
C	Ian	Porter	43	45.26%	-	-	45.26%	76
C	Shane	Stevens	-	-	37	41.57%	41.57%	77
L	Deanne	Mascord	-	-	35	39.33%	39.33%	78



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**AA Grade:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Michael McDonald (M)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Gary Marsh (R)



**A Grade:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Aidan Cooper (M)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Luke Turner (R)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Nick Melanko (L)



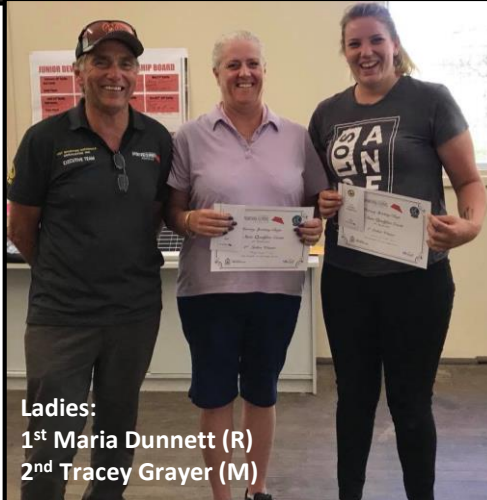
**C Grade:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Paul Pitaro



**B Grade:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Brian Backhouse (M)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Paul Bailey (R)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Dan Cheeseman (L)



**Seniors:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Dave Knight (M)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mike Hudspith (L)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grant Cooper (R)



**Ladies:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Maria Dunnett (R)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tracey Grayer (M)



**Juniors**  
1<sup>st</sup> Morgan Robins



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**A Grade:**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Luke Turner (R)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Ken Green (L)



**B Grade:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Dan Cheeseman (R)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Paul Bailey (L)



**Highgun – Rhys Howarth**



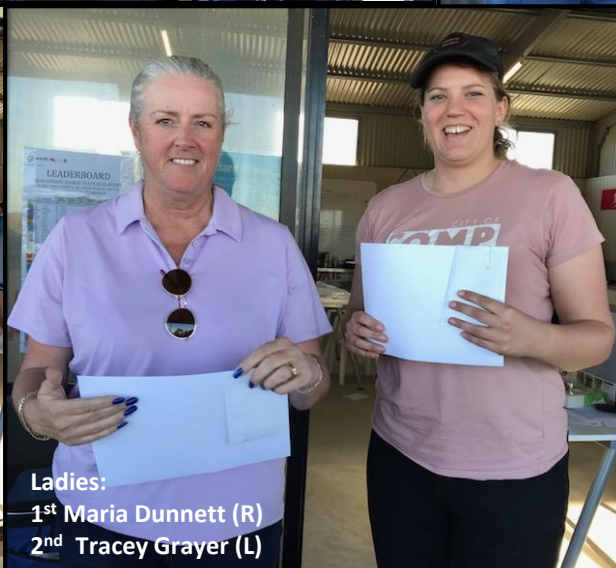
**C Grade:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Neil Jeary (R)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Glen Doran (L)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Mark Robins (M)



**Seniors:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Grant Cooper (R)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tony Trainor



**Junior**  
Byron Jones



**Ladies:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Maria Dunnett (R)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tracey Grayer (L)



**Winners of the Bruce VS Coops trophy:**  
Luke Turner & Ryan McPherson



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**CHAMPIONS CORNER**  
**INTERVIEW WITH TONY TRAINOR**

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## TONY TRAINOR

1<sup>st</sup> State Qualifier Champion (95 / 100) - Harvey

**How long have you been shooting sporting clays?**

24 years.

**How did you get into shooting?**

My ex father in-law.

**Where is the best ground you have ever shot at?**

Rotorua, New Zealand is the best terrain I have ever seen.

**What do you enjoy about sporting clays?**

Making friends all around the world.

**What is your favourite target to shoot in sporting clays?**

Big long crossing belly birds.

**Do you have a routine you carry out before taking your shot?**

YES.

**What is one piece of advice you can give to other shooters?**

Don't overthink it – keep it simple!

**Is there something in particular that you would contribute your shooting success to?**

A lot of hard work and practice in the early days.

**What do you do when you're not shooting?**

Go to my farm and talk to the cows.

**Name one thing you would like the State Association to achieve in 2018.**

Two things – A name change and keep working together to bring the sport forward.



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CHAMPIONS CORNER  
INTERVIEW WITH RHYS HOWARD

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## RHYS 'BOODGE' HOWARD

2<sup>nd</sup> State Qualifier Champion (89 / 100) - Pegasus

### How long have you been shooting sporting clays?

I'm pretty sure I have been shooting from about the age of 11 or 12 so roughly 18 – 20 years

### How did you get into shooting?

I used to be a trapper for Wannamal back when we had a lot of manual hand traps. I was paid \$25 for a 75 target shoot and \$30 for a 100 target event. Steve Bastow gave me the first shot of a shotgun under the lights of the old Scorpio tower at Wannamal on a Saturday night quite a few years ago.

### Where is the best ground you have ever shot at?

I love shooting at Echidna Park in Geraldton, Brisbane Sporting Clays is another great club and I really enjoyed the Nationals at Mudgee, it is a great ground and an awesome drive into the grounds. I also would like to mention Pegasus Sports Shooting Club - they have some really great grounds and with some hard work by their members they are opening up some incredible layouts that I'm really excited to shoot at.

### What do you enjoy about sporting clays?

I really enjoy Sporting clays for the comradery, I have made some great friends throughout the shooting fraternity. Also the thrill of smoking a target and knowing that "that was it right in the guts."

### What is your favourite target to shoot in sporting clays?

My favourite target to shoot is a rolling rabbit, whether it is full spring and bouncing around everywhere or a slow and steady, they are great and I absolutely love them. Followed closely by a big driven battue.



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**CHAMPIONS CORNER – RHYS HOWARD ‘BOODGE’  
WINNER OF THE 2ND STATE QUALIFIER – PEGASUS**

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**Do you have a routine you carry out before taking your shot?**

I visualise the target and what its hopefully going to be doing, take a deep breath in through my nose and exhale out through my mouth and call for the target. Then hopefully the ref calls one.

**What is one piece of advice you can give to other shooters?**

Some advice to give to a new shooter is probably the same advise I was given, “there is no substitute for lead”

**Is there something in particular that you would contribute your shooting success to?**

My parents for their ongoing support from a sub junior and still now. My brothers for taking me to countless numbers of shoots as a young fella and giving me the motivation to try and beat my older brothers. Our national president Tony Trainor for all his support, taking me over for nationals and training camps when I was just a young fella. My beautiful girlfriend Maree and daughter McKenzie for the willingness to let me compete and go away for weekends away from home, sometimes at the drop of a hat. Last but not least every member of every club, especially all the volunteers that make our wonderful sport what it is.

**What do you do when you’re not shooting?**

Bobbing around in a boat with a line in the water to most likely not catch anything, camping and spending time with mates and family.

**Name one thing you would like the State Association to achieve in 2018.**

I believe the state and clubs are on the right track with offering twilight shoots and quite a few more two day shoots getting around now. As we over here in WA have large distances to travel to shoot on a semi regular basis, it makes it more rewarding in being able to shoot more targets with less travel.



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## UPCOMING SHOTS

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### JUNE

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – 8:30AM  
Echidna Park – Delron 100

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June – 8:30AM**  
**Echidna Park – 3<sup>rd</sup> STATE QUALIFIER**

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June – 8:30AM  
Echidna Park – Bring a friend if you have any!

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June – 9AM  
Harvey – Club Shoot 75 Targets

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### JULY

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July – 8:30AM  
Echidna Park – Practice Day

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> July – 8:30AM**  
**Wanneroo – 4<sup>th</sup> STATE QUALIFIER**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July – 1PM  
Echidna Park – Afternoon Shoot

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> July – 8:30AM  
Echidna Park – Morning Shoot

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – 9AM  
Harvey – Club Shoot 80 Targets English Sporting

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> July – 8:30AM  
Echidna Park – Practice Day

### AUGUST

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August – 1PM  
Echidna Park – Afternoon Shoot

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> August – 8:30AM  
Echidna Park – Morning Shoot

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August – 10AM to 1PM  
Wanneroo – Social Shoot, Practice

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August – 9AM  
Three Springs – John Page Memorial Shoot  
50 Targets

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> August – 8:30AM**  
**Three Springs – 5<sup>th</sup> State Qualifier**

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> August – 9AM  
Wannamal – NEW GROUND OPEN DAY  
(WANDERING)





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**BLAST FROM THE PAST –  
DECEMBER 1995 (23 YEARS AGO!)**

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## **GOURMET RECIPES for HUNTERS by TAPEWORM**

*With the vermin shoots well under way by the time this goes to press, the time is right to provide some recipes for the "Game Hunters" of our Association.*

### **GOAT CHILLI**

#### **You need:**

(250 - 500 gms) ground goat meat  
1 lge can chilli beans or kidney beans  
1 sml onion, minced  
Half green peper, chopped

1 medium can tomatoes  
1 tblspn bacon fat  
Pepper and chilli powder to taste.

#### **What you do:**

Brown meat in bacon fat, breaking the ground meat into small pieces as you brown it. Add onion and green pepper and chook until onion begins to brown (about 5 minutes). Stir often - an easy task for shooters.

Add beans, tomatoes, salt and pepper, stirring occasionally and enough chilli powder to suit your taste.

Cook about an hour over a medium heat.

Serves 4-6

### **POT ROAST OF BOAR (especially for Barry Carson)**

#### **You need:**

Boar shouldered roast  
Salted water to cover  
2 cups water  
1/2 cup celery, sliced

2 onions, sliced  
2 carrots, sliced  
3 cups apple cider  
1/2 teaspoon dry sage

#### **What you do:**

Simmer meat in salted water for one and a half hours.

Drain and return with remaining ingredients. Cover and simmer until tender. Slice meat and arrange on hot platter to keep warm. Make gravy from cooking liquid. Serve with buttered noodles.

Serves 6





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