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## TRV News - March 2023

## Quote of the day

'Whatever you do, always give 100 per cent... Unless you're donating blood.'

— Bill Murray

#### **TRV Council email contacts**

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Don't forget – Congess this year will be held on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> of July in Leongatha Leongatha will be hosting a competition there on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> of July

#### "Whether you believe you can do a thing or not, you are right."

— attributed to Henry Ford

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There is very limited ammo available at the moment – President Julie has provided the latest prices for us. You'll find the limited list toward the end of this newsletter.

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**Wow.** Now this is the sort of email I love to receive. It's from Garry Salathiel, and I received it this morning, Monday 27/3/23. Thank you so much



Garry, and congratulations to this impressive young man. He is Andrew Alexander who won the Sub Junior Bench Master event at the Wangaratta Prize meeting this weekend. He also came in second overall. He also succeeded in breaking the Junior / Sub Junior State record with a score of 754.041.

#### The email from Garry

Hi Phil, I received a call from my best mate Adrian Bourke during last week to bring the rifle to Wang's Prize meeting this weekend. I haven't shot since pre covid and kindly rejected his annual invitation, again.

But as I was in Wang for the weekend I did go to catch up after lunch Sunday.

It was only a few minutes before the prizes were presented and I took up a spot about 4 metres from the club Secretary who was handing them out.

Sitting alone between me and the presentations was a young man with his back to me.

He was excited to receive his first medal and proudly put the ribbon around his neck as he sat down.

Then the second and third and fourth medals and he was really chuffed by now as he place each one around his neck.

Then the fifth presentation, a badge, and his medals were clinking as he walked up.

When the presentations had ended, the secretary announced that a state title had been broken today.

This young man proudly went up and was given his targets.

No one took a photo of the presentation and I was lucky enough to get to the car for the camera and catch up with him as he left the building moments later to go home.

Please find attached and following three photos to choose from for the newsletter. I'm sure Wang will send you a report on the shoot to help pad out the photos!

If you can could you please forward the orginals on to someone at Sale to give to him. I feel its a really important moment for him and won't do shooting any harm!

kind regards Garry Salathiel

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**More news from Wangaratta** - Ben Holko shot a 200 in prone! This happens rarely and is an outstanding effort hey!

Practice, plus a good eye and steady hand reap their own rewards – well done Ben!!

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#### Membership of Target Rifle Victoria Inc.

The following are extracts from our Constitution/By-laws:-Constitution:-

#### PART 3 MEMBERS, DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES, AND GRIEVANCES

- 9. Application for membership
- (3) Membership of individual members or member clubs whose fees are unpaid on the first day of the Membership Year may be suspended. The membership of any Individual Member or Member Club who fails to pay all outstanding fees within thirty (30) days of the commencement of the Membership Year shall be cancelled.

The current membership fees for the year ending 31st December 2023 are:-

Concession and Pensioner cardholder members	\$120.00
Junior members	\$120.00
Sub-junior members	\$102.00
Non-shooters	\$ 91.00
Family	\$305.00
Schools	\$ 40.00
Seniors	\$175.00

If you have not paid your membership, it is now overdue, and you will not be insured, nor will you be eligible to shoot in a TRV-sponsored event.

If you require a membership renewal, please email <a href="membership@trv.org.au">membership@trv.org.au</a> with your name and membership number.

NB In accordance with our Constitution and By-laws - if you have not paid your dues on or before December 31 of the relevant year, then you are not eligible to be registered to participate in **any** TRV competitions until all dues have been paid.

This means that if you have not paid in full on or before December 31, any registration to participate in an event cannot even be considered by TRV or, in particular, the Competitions Officer.

From next year, 2024, this requirement to be fully paid up by 31/12/23 will be applied. The main reason for this is that it is impossible for the Competitions Officer to register competition application/registration forms for 2024 for unpaid members because those people are actually **NOT YET MEMBERS OF TRV**, and, therefore, cannot be included in, especially, competitions that start early in the New Year.

In other words, if you want to be included in competitions that commence at the beginning of the year, then you *MUST* be a paid-up member *by* the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2023.

Q - My son has been eating electrical cords – what do I do?

A - Ground him until he conducts himself properly.

## DANGER danger DANGER danger DANGER

As the editor for our TRV newsletter, I recently received an email to <a href="mailto:editor@trv.org.au">editor@trv.org.au</a> to the effect that I should pay an invoice. My anti-virus software told me it contained a virus, and not to open any links in it. In any case, it was immediately obvious to me that it was bull . . . t because of the following things:-

- 1. Unknown person or address, (Malen Pearson)
- No dollar figure was given, so if I was to be deceived I would have to answer the email to find out how much I purportedly owed, which would then give the scammer access to my PC
- 3. It was addressed simply as "Hi trv.org.au", and not to me or any other person,
- 4. There was no company name to whom I was supposedly indebted,
- 5. Everything about the email said, DANGER, DANGER, DANGER.

Here is the message – BUT, I've taken out the dots in the addresses so that you can't accidentally click on them and therefore destroy your own computer —

Hi trv.org.au
Please see attached paid invoice.
Download and authorize to view receipt.
Thank you for your business
Original copy forwarded to editor@trvorgau
Regards,

#### **Malen Pearson**

Financial Controller Mobile 61 404 478343 Email malen@pearsontribecomau Please, accept nothing unknown from email, facebook, text, or any other damn electronic medium without carefully examining it to ensure its integrity.

As always, if it sounds too good to be true, then it is almost definitely a scam.

You will do dough if you are not exceedingly careful with unknown emails, texts, or other messaging.

By the way, my phone has been twiddled with somehow, and I have now received calls from over 30 random people responding to supposedly missed calls from me. We have a laugh when I tell them of my predicament. I'm damned if I know what good these people get out of this crap. One lady I spoke with when she called me to respond to my 'missed call' said, "It's just like when we used to ring doorbells and then run away and hide." But these idiots are supposed to be adults. Bring back the public stocks! BTW – it's now faded away!

## Quote of the day

'Let us not take ourselves too seriously. None of us has a monopoly on wisdom.'

— Queen Elizabeth II

# A reminder that not all children grow up in fortunate circumstances. The following is a true story.

"When I was a child, my father cheated and didn't love my family.

Later, my parents divorced.

Soon my mother died in a car accident.

My brother and I could only live in my grandma's old house.

Grandma's sister was an alcoholic.

The whole family lived on my grandma's savings.

Grandma recently died.

My Uncle Andy is barely keeping himself out of jail from day to day.

My brother left home and won't talk to us any more.

Dad, now 74, had to go out to work to support the family, and eventually, he will want me to do the same thing."

Yours sincerely,

Prince William

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## Quote

'To be kind is more important than to be right. Many times, what people need is not a brilliant mind that speaks but a special heart that listens.'

— F. Scott Fitzgerald



# WARRNAMBOOL SMALL BORE RIFLE CLUB PRESENTS

#### A CLASSIC WEEKEND

SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2023 – COASTAL CLASSIC SUNDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL – WARRNAMBOOL 600 2 MASTER MARKSMAN & BENCH MASTER EVENTS

SATURDAY 8.30am - 90m PRONE, BENCH & CLASS 1 (60 shots)

SATURDAY 1pm – 50m PRONE (60 shots), BENCH, AIR BENCH & CLASS 1 (75 shots)

STANDING AIR & SUPPORTED AIR (walk up start, 60 shots)

SUNDAY 8am - 50m PRONE, BENCH, AIR BENCH & CLASS 1 (60 shots)
STANDING AIR & SUPPORTED AIR (walk up start, 60 shots)

## COMPETITION VENUE IS LAKE GILLEAR COMPLEX BUCKLEYS RD, ALLANSFORD

AWARDS FOR PRONE AND BENCHREST (50m & 90m)

**GRADED AWARDS APPLY** 

**DUAL RANGE AWARDS** 

ISSF & AUSTRALIAN SUPPLEMENTARY RULES TO APPLY

CLASS 1 EVENT FOR BENCHREST (50m & 90m) 1st, 2nd & 3rd and DUAL RANGE TROPHY

AIR BENCH EVENTS (25m) 1st, 2nd & 3rd

STANDING AIR EVENT S (10m) 1st, 2nd & 3rd

SUPPORTED AIR EVENTS (10m) 1st, 2nd & 3rd

WARRNAMBOOL SBRC reserves the right to alter the program at anytime

STATE GRADINGS APPLY

**ENTRY FEE** 

SATURDAY - 1 MATCH \$20.00, 2 MATCHES \$30.00, 3MATCHES \$40.00, SUNDAY - 1 MATCH \$20.00, 2 MATCHES \$30.00, 3MATCHES \$40.00

BSB 633 000 Acc. 108403254. Ref – name of competitor

OR contact

Chris Preston: 0409 141 017. Email: <a href="mailto:prestonchris@bigpond.com">prestonchris@bigpond.com</a>
David Ball: 0419 377 350. Email: <a href="mailto:dababall@bigpond.com">dababall@bigpond.com</a>



#### **Attention**

**Now,** here's some roolly, roolly, good news for anyone, or any club, wanting to use a handicapping program. TRV's very own Dennis Peacock has provided exactly that program FREE. I've checked it out, and it's brilliant.

All you have to do is go to the trv.org.au site. At the bottom left of that first opening page (Home), you'll find "Useful Information" and listed there are various helpful items, and in this instance, you'll see <u>Club Handicap Scoring Sheet (Thanks to Dennis Peacock)</u> When you click on that it will download the program. Give it a try!

Commas are important people. Commas are important, people. "Let's eat Grandma."



## 2023 20 METRE PRONE PENNANT

## **Entries for the 20 Metre Prone Pennant are now open.**

All participating clubs must be affiliated with TRA.

All team members must be financial.

This is a Ten (10) round competition of Ten (10) shots per round.

Round One Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Entry fee: First team \$50.00. each additional team \$25.00

Teams will consist of Six (6) members, with Five (5) to count. Up to Ten (10) members may be nominated to the team. Other shooters named on the entry form may compete for individual prizes but may not compete in the team. Shooters with no TRV Grade for this event must supply their last three scores or they will not be accepted into the team.

Teams will be graded using the four highest averages from those named in the team.

Note: Interstate Competitors, you MUST supply your First and Last Name, Date of Birth, Gender and local State registration number, if you cannot provide this information you will NOT be able to enter the competition. Also, if you would like any prizes sent, you will need to provide a postal address.

Competition stickers are to be placed behind any competition aiming mark before commencing. All cards MUST be completed with Shooter Name, TRV Number, Signature and Date and have Witness Name and Signature.

TRV Competitions Policy, Australian Supplementary Rules and ISSF Rules will apply.

A new scoring process will be trialled for this event. All teams are to nominate a scorer and that person is to score the targets and return the scores to the competition officer by email before the end of the Monday following the end of the shooting week for that round. All scored targets are to be retained by the scorer for random checking by the Jury nominated for the event. These checks may be via a visit to the club or by having the cards posted to the Juror. All results shall be interim until the Jury has completed the checks.

Official TRV 20m Pre Numbered Targets to be used consecutively numbered for each round. 20 metre targets produced by TRV are available from Robert Spratt.

ph. 03 5664 2358 or email: targets@trv.org.au

Awards: The winning team in each section will receive a Pennant Flag. And each team

member will receive a prize.

Individual: Overall top eight

1st, 2nd and 3rd in A, B, C & D grades

1st, 2nd & 3rd in Junior (under 21), Sub Junior (under 16) and Veteran.

#### Please send entry forms to: TRV Indoor Convenor PO Box 393

Warrnambool VIC 3280

Payment: cheque payable to Target Rifle Victoria

Or: BSB 013 755

Account 4516 56834

Reference pennant club name

Enquiries: Tel: 0409 141 017 or email: indoor@trv.org.au

Entries Close: Friday May 19th, 2023. No late entries accepted.

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#### 2023 20m PRONE PENNANT ENTRY FORM

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Return Postal Addre	ssPost Code
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Team 2

				Interstat e Only	
First	Last	R	Email	D	
Name	Name	ego Number		ОВ	/F

Teams from interstate associations please supply last three 20m Bench scores for grading purposes

Send entries to TRV Indoor Convenor, PO Box 393

Warrnambool VIC 3280

Enquiries: Phone: 0409 141 017 Email: indoor@trv.org.au

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#### 2023 President's 1200 10m Air Rifle & Air Rifle Supported Postal

(12 x 10 shot 10m Air Rifle StripTargets or 120 shots on Electronic 10m Air Rifle Targets DECIMAL MARKING)

Competition commences Monday March 28<sup>7h</sup>, 2023

Entry is open to any financial member of TRV or TRA affiliated association

Competition stickers will be issued upon receipt of entry

Competition stickers are to be placed behind any competition aiming mark before commencing.

All cards **MUST** be completed with Shooter Name, TRV Number, Signature and Date and have Witness Name and Signature

And returned unscored and ungauged, any irregularities are to be explained.

TRV Competitions Policy, Australian Supplementary Rules and ISSF Rules will apply.

Awards:

Badges 1st to 8th

Gold, Silver & Bronze for Open, Veteran, Junior, Sub Junior & Grades applicable Entries & completed cards to be returned by 15<sup>th</sup> May 2023 to

Chris Preston

PO Box 393

Warrnambool Vic 3280

Entry fee \$10.00

Any shooter without a state grading must supply their last 3 scores

Payment by Chq to be sent with entries or alternatively bpay directly to TRV

BSB 013 755

Acc 4516 56834

Ref: Pres1200 and your TRV membership No.

Name		 	
Address		 	
Club	TRV No	 	

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## An important message from Trevor Clapp

#### HANDLING LEAD WITH BARE HANDS

Some studies have found lead can be absorbed through the skin. If you handle lead ammunition and then touch your eyes, nose, or mouth, you could be exposed.

Lead dust can also get on your clothes and your hair. If this happens, it's possible that you may track home some of the lead dust, which may also expose your family.

All shooters should wash their hands after touching lead-contained ammunition and cleaning rifles removing lead from the butts and other equipment that may have in contact with lead or lead dust.

#### **SAFETY TIPS**

Wear a mask and gloves when removing lead from the Range.

Wear old throw-away clothes or throw-away coveralls.

More information can be found on the EPA website.

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# Leongatha Small Bore Rifle Club 'Grant' Experience – from Chris Sergeant

In February 2021, on behalf of the club, I applied for a grant – Round 4 of the Shooting Sports Facilities Program from the Department of Jobs Precincts and Regions (Sport and Recreation Victorian State Government).

The reason/purpose for the application was to address declining membership by improving club facilities. Recently, we lost female and potential members due to our lack of adequate facilities. The nearest public toilet to the club is 100 metres away, next to the skate park, and with poor lighting. The club shoots on Friday nights, and as such, there was a perceived need for club members to be chaperoned. We had talked about improving the facilities for years and finally took the plunge. We decided to have a disabled toilet cubicle constructed within the footprint of our existing building.

The process was quite arduous as it is designed to be well above favouritism – sports rorts etc. We were given a deadline, when all paperwork in relation to the application was to be submitted. In addition to the 7-page application form, we needed approval from DWELP as the Leongatha Recreation Reserve is on Crown Land. Also, approval from the Recreation Committee of Management. Quotes from local contractors, including Council permits and decisions regarding how much work club members were going to do themselves.

Our club had to contribute one-sixth of the amount required for the construction of the new disabled toilet – all the figures etc were on the grant application. The attachments to the grant application included: A letter of support from the peak body (TRV), written approvals/permits from the Shire Council, land owner and land manager, Copy of Banks Statements to show our ability to pay the clubs portion, Completed 'Code of Fair Play', Land Tenure arrangements, Police Range Approval, plans, quotes, photos etc. etc.

We were subsequently successful in our application, and I believe the purpose of our application helped it get over the line. As well as a disabled toilet, we had wheelchair access improved in the club with the widening of two doorways and construction of a ramp onto the range. From that point, we had milestones and payments to meet with monthly online meetings to keep us on track. Staff at Sport and Recreation were very helpful and of great assistance during the whole process.

In addition to the moneys sought in the grant application, we were given an additional 20K for the establishment of an Environmental Management Plan (EMP). The EMP came as part of the grant and was something we had to do as a successful applicant. We had to employ a company to prepare an Environmental Management Plan, which basically identifies the ways our club affects the environment – lead contamination, noise etc. and suggests ways to negate/reduce them. We worked with Ewan from Water Bear Solutions on the ways in which the club could reduce our environmental footprint, and they were included in the plan. Ewan is an ex-TRV member and now works interstate but was able to complete our 39-page EMP with ease. I was told during our monthly

meetings with Sport and Rec that our EMP was the best they had seen. With the money left over after Water Bear had been paid for their work, we were able to improve the stop butt. We had a roof constructed over the target area and devised a better means to catch the lead. This was necessary as the main problem we had was water/rain mixing with the lead and potentially compromising the water table. The bonus for us is that our targets no longer get wet when shooting at 50 metres.

Since the completion of the works, we have kept going on the maintenance and given the inside a paint and installed some new benches etc. Now we have the outside to tackle.

Our club is proudly hosting Congress later this year and holding a shoot on the same weekend; perhaps we will see you there on Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> of July.

## From the Oakleigh Rifle Club

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As you will have heard, the Oakleigh Rifle Club was successful with the Round 5 Grant from SRV. The grant allows the club to replace the roof of the two ranges and the club room. The existing tin on the roof is totally rusted out and leaks badly during any sort of rain event.

The club was established in May 1900, with the signing of 100 signatures from local Oakleigh residents in a petition sent to the Department of the Army to establish a new rifle club. The club has occupied the site on Victorian Railway land under a 99-year lease from the Commissioners of the Railways. That lease has, of course, run out, and we are now on a rolling 5-year lease from Victrack.

The new tin roof includes insulation which will be of great benefit during the hot summer months and hopefully will provide a new lease on life for our club, which incidentally is heritage listed by the City of Monash as one of the last free-standing timber buildings from the 1900s. Over the years, the club has produced quite a number of State and National level competitors as well as many successful international athletes. The club was heavily involved with TRV administration in the 1940s (VSBRU back then). It later assisted in keeping the Frankston International Small-bore Rifle Club alive during its transition from the old site to its present home. For a small club, it has a rich and successful history. This new roof will give the club a new lease of life and hopefully help keep it going for another 100 years.

Mike Jarrad, President, Oakleigh Rifle Club

### In the same vein -

Ballarat East Rifle Club (BERC) was also successful in obtaining a grant. Work is in progress for motorised electronic targets and trollies under Jim Hocking's

dedicated stewardship and the watchful eyes of Keith Smith, Phil Merigan and Phil's son Gary. There'll be more about progress in subsequent editions.

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## Here's a 'heads up'

When we all sign up again for TRV membership for 2024, TRV will be asking for a little more info from us to help to find members who can contribute skills and knowledge to assist us all to keep our sport growing.

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## Seems reasonable.



Hell hath no fury like a woman who told you exactly where something is but now has to get it herself because you couldn't find it.

## Ammunition for sale to TRV Clubs and Members

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,			Match	2,100.00	22 0.00	2 5.00
			Team	SOLD OUT	0.00	3.00
			Club	1,150.00	12 5.00	1 5.00
			Sport	1,150.00	12 5.00	1 5.00
			Standard	900.00	95 .00	
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			Centre X	SOLD OUT		
	SK		Long Range	1,450.00	15 5.00	1 6.00
			Rifle Match	SOLD OUT		
	Air Pe	ellets				
у	Ele		Tenex Air 4.49	310.00 / 5400	26 .00 / 450	
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			Match 4.49		13 .00 / 200	
			Match 4.50		13 .00 / 200	
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		7.87	Domed Middle		16 .00 / 500	
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			Meisterkugeln	145.00 / 5000	.00 / 500	
			Superdome	190.00 / 5000	19 .50 / 500	
	JSB	4.49 &	Match Blue – 4.50		.00 / 500	
	JSB	4.49 &	Match Blue –		21	

Exact 7.33, 7.87, 21 205.00 / 5000 8.44 & 10.34 .00 / 500

rv.org.au

Enquiries and Orders to Julie Holcombe, TRV Ammunition Steward Pho 5568 2291 / ammunition@t 0423 140 804 /

Deliveries can be arranged to most prize meetings, Warren Potent Matches and Council Meetings if orders are placed by the prior Wednesday evening

Phil apologises – he doesn't know how to make the price list easier to read (5)

## Some random thoughts

- 1. When one door closes, and another door opens, you are probably in prison.
- 2. To me, "drink responsibly" means don't spill it.
- 3. Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 pm is the new midnight.
- 4. It's the start of a brand new day, and I'm off like a herd of turtles.
- 5. The older I get, the earlier it gets late.
- 6. When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago.
- 7. I remember being able to get up without making sound effects.
- 8. I had my patience tested. I'm negative.
- 9. Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.
- 10. If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say, "Did you bring the money?"
- 11. When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.
- 12. I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.
- 13. I run like the winded.

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- 14. I hate when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.
- 15. When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"
- 16. When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminium can stuffed with celery?
- 17. I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.
- 18. When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."
- 19. Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you right out.
- 20. Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.
- 21. My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb."

# Y'all think eggs are expensive... wait until you fertilize one 🎤 🖰