



Tamworth & Peel Valley Rifle Club

“Snap Shot”

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Report

A big build up to last Saturdays ANZAC Memorial Matches didn't go to waste as a great afternoon of service rifle competition shooting was enjoyed by all in attendance.

The program kicked off on time at 11:30am where a small service was conducted by the flag pole in the clubhouse yard. There was a special emphasis on our service men and women's contribution to the Vietnam War but in particular; the battle of Long Tan.



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A big thankyou to Ted Cutler who addressed the gathering with an informative and respectful account of how this battle played out and how the Australian and New Zealand military forces displayed great stead, courage and bravery.

Ted also read the ode which was followed by the playing of the last post, the rouse which included the raising of the Australian flag and then finished with the Australian National Anthem. Thankyou to all who took part in this service as we honored those who have and continue to serve our great country and especial those that paid the ultimate sacrifice. Lest We Forget.

All matches were shot from the 300m mound where a deliberate application followed by a snap and double snap was the course in the service rifle section. There were three classes on offer being any as issued 303 rifles with iron sights, any as issued 303 rifle with optical sights limited to 6 power and then any other as issued service rifle of the WW1 or WW2 era.

Congratulations to Peter Barnier for winning the 303 iron sights class with a fantastic score of 144.13 out of a possible 150.30. This was the highest score shot by a service rifle for the day. Peter was awarded the Harry Hall perpetual trophy for his win and a great effort.



Congratulations to Max Collins for taking 1st place in the 303 optical rifle class with a score of 117.07. Max was awarded the Wal Cameron perpetual trophy.

Peter Barnier awarded the Harry Hall

Congratulations also to Dean Dewhurst for taking first place in the any other as issued rifle class shooting a 138.12. Dean was awarded the Calala Collectables perpetual trophy.



Special mention must go to Gary Sawle and Cheryl Jones for shooting the only two possible detail scores of the day. Gary with a 50.05 in the snap fire and Cheryl with a 50.04 in her deliberate application. This is great shooting with the service rifles.

This year, as mentioned, had particular focus on Vietnam and the Battle of Long Tan, so this years Memorial Matches saw the Inaugural Long Tan Match run which was also shot from the 300m mound on the figure 11 targets. It was a stand-alone match designed to test the shooter in several ways on this challenging target. The match required only 20 rounds and 3 minutes to complete, however in the end there could only be one winner.

Max Collins receives the Wal Cameron

The Long Tan Match had one of the most anticipated build up's to a service match that has been seen for some time showing the pride and respect that people have for our soldiers but in this case the men of D company that were involved in the battle.

The Long Tan Perpetual Trophy has been approximately 12 months in the making and is one that the TPVRC is proud to offer as a mark of respect to the men that were involved in the battle and especially those that lost their lives.



Dean Dewhurst receives the Calala Colectables

The TPVRC would like to offer its special thanks to Jim Wood, Max Collins, Kale Hayden, Dean Dewhurst, Tamworth Trophy Supplies and Pilliga Timbers for their assistance in the construction of this trophy.



Dean Dewhurst receives the Long Tan Award

Congratulations to Dean Dewhurst for winning the Inaugural Long Tan Match with a score of 99.12 out of a possible 100.20. Dean was awarded the Long Tan Perpetual Trophy as well as the "three shot burst" trophy which he will get to keep.

The TPVRC would like to thank all members who helped out on the day making this one of the best ANZAC matches for some time.

Another mention of thanks from the TPVRC is to the RSL Sub Branch in Tamworth who were approached and have agreed to add the Long Tan Trophy into their collection of memorabilia for safe keeping until it is needed next year. The Tamworth Sub Branch does a fantastic job for the return servicemen and women and the TPVRC is very happy and proud that they have allowed this to happen.

Lastly, thankyou to club member Steve Kellerman for a very kind donation to the day of a \$50 cash prize that was put up as a lucky door prize. Congratulations to John Barnier for being the lucky ticket.

Full scores from the matches are tabled below.



ANZAC Service Matches Scores 2019

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	CI	300 APPLICATION							300 SNAP							300 DOUBLE SNAP							TOTAL
			V	5	4	3	2	SCORE	HITS	V	5	4	3	2	SCORE	HITS	V	5	4	3	2	SCORE	HITS	
Jim	Rushbrook	FC	4	6				50.04	10	5	3	2			48.05	10	7	2	1			49.07	10	147.16
Ray	Hammond	FC	1	2	2	5		38.01	10	4	5	1			49.04	10	8	1	1			49.08	10	136.13
Kale	Hayden	FC	7	2		1		48.07	10	1	4	3	1		40.01	9	5	3	1	1		47.05	10	135.13
Dean	Dewhurst	OS	5	3	2			48.05	10	3	3	1	3		43.03	10	4	3	3			47.04	10	138.12
Garry	Sawle	OS	3	6	1			49.03	10	5	5				50.05	10			4	6		34.00	10	133.08
Cal	Orman	OS	2	5	2	1		46.02	10		1	1	8		33.00	10	1	1	3	5		37.01	10	116.03
Philip	Prangley	OS			5	5		35.00	10	3		3	4		39.03	10	1	1	2	6		36.01	10	110.04
Chris	Davis	OS	2			7	1	33.02	10		1	1	4	4	29.00	10				3	3	15.00	6	77.02
John	Webber	OS		2		2	1	18.00	5	1			3		11.01	4			1	1		5.00	2	34.01
Max	Collins	SO	2	3	3	2		43.02	10	4	1	3	2		43.04	10	1		1	6	2	31.01	10	117.07
Cheryl	Jones	SO	4	6				50.04	10	2	2	2	4		40.02	10	2		1	4		26.02	7	116.08
Ken	Abberfield	SO	3	2	3	2		43.03	10	3	1	4	2		42.03	10	1	1	0	5	2	29.01	9	114.07
Norm	Ekman	SO	1	1	3	5		37.01	10				9	1	29.00	10			1	7		25.00	8	91.01
Peter	Barnier	SS	6	2	2			48.06	10	4	5	1			49.04	10	3	5	1	1		47.03	10	144.13
Robert	Jones	SS	4	3	3			47.04	10	4	1	2	2	1	41.04	10	1	5	1	3		43.01	10	131.09
Ted	Cutler	SS	2	6		2		46.02	10	1	2	4	3		40.01	10	4	1	3	2		43.04	10	129.07
John	Barnier	SS	1		3	6		35.01	10	5	4		1		48.05	10	3	1	5	1		43.03	10	126.09
Jim	Wood	SS	3	2	2	3		42.03	10	3	4	1	2		45.03	10		2	4	4		38.00	10	125.06
Jeandre	Steyn	SS	1	4	3	2		43.01	10	2	1	3	4		39.02	10			4	4	2	32.00	10	114.03
Ken	Yates	SS	1	5	2	2		44.01	10	2			8		34.02	10	1	0	2	6		31.01	9	109.04

Long Tan Match Scores 2019

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	RAPID HITS		TARGET A							TARGET B							SUB TOTALS		TOTAL
		A	B	V	5	4	3	2	SCORE	HITS	V	5	4	3	2	SCORE	HITS	A-B SCORE	DEDUCTIONS	
Dean	Dewhurst	5	5	7	2	1			49.07	10	5	5				50.05	10	99.12		99.12
Pete	Barnier	5	5	5	2	3			47.05	10	4	4	1	1		47.04	10	94.09		94.09
John	Barnier	6	4	3	4	3	1		50.03	11	4	2	2	1		41.04	9	91.07	5.01	86.06
Rob	Jones	5	5	4	2	2	1		41.04	9	3	1	2	3		37.03	9	78.07		78.07
Jim	Rushbrook	1	6	1	3	1	4		36.01	9	1	3	3	4		44.01	11	80.02	3	77.02
Phil	Prangley	3	4	0	3	3	1		30.00	7	2	2	3	2		38.02	9	68.02		68.02
Chris	Davis	5	5	1	1	3	4		34.01	9	1	0	0	8		29.01	9	63.02		63.02
Norm	Ekman	5	5	5	0	1	2		35.05	8	1	0	1	6		27.01	8	62.06		62.06
Ted	Cutler	1	3	2		1	3		23.02	6		1	1	3		18.00	5	41.02		41.02
Jack	Foster	4	1	2	2	2			28.02	6		1	1	1		12.00	3	40.02		40.02
Jim	Wood	3	2	1	0	1	3		18.01	5	1	0	2	2		19.01	5	37.02		37.02
Jeandre	Steyn	4	2				5		15.00	5		1		4		17.00	5	32.00		32.00
Ken	Yates	3	2	0	0	0	3		9.00	3	0	0	0	3		9.00	3	18.00		18.00