



EASTERN CAPE CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

Affiliated to the Clay Target Shooting Association of South Africa

Delegate's Report – October 2019

We have been notified by one of our clubs (Eden Trap and Clay) that have been dormant for 2 years, that they have finally acquired new premises and will be fully operational again as from¹ November. They have also changed the name of their club to Eden Clay Target Shooting Academy. This will bring our active clubs in the province back to 5 again for next year, which is good news indeed.

We are extremely proud of the Universal Trench team who won Gold in the recent World Championships in France, and more so in that an EC member, Giuseppe Tagliaferri, was part of the 3-man team who achieved this wonderful accolade! Giuseppe continues to post consistently high scores at events and we know he will carry the flag for us again later this year in Algiers. We wish him the best of luck!

With our trials for the Chairman's Cup finishing on the 6th October, it is clear that some brand new faces will be evident in our side this year. Despite not having the luxury of great competitive depth in our disciplines, it still shows that these new members competing for a place in the team had to fight for it, as some of the regulars got ousted this year! This is a healthy state of affairs in raising the standards.

Ten of the eleven formal events that ECCTSA host annually (inclusive of the provincial events), have been successfully concluded. The only one left is the Summer Sporting in Graaff Reinet on the 12th October. Feedback from Graaff Reinet Gun Club regarding this year's event is that, by all accounts, indications are that they are again in for a bumper entry this year! This event remains popular with shooters both local and national, and it remains a jewel in the crown of sporting shooting in our province.

Yours in shooting

André Nagel - Chairman: E C C T S A



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FREE STATE CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION
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Free State Provincial Report October 2019

Free State Clay Target Shooting members and clubs performed exceptionally during this period. The Currie Cup, two Beretta Cups and a Fitasc team gold came home.

Members: On the lighter side no members managed to shoot any clays or qualified for National colours. They did however shoot a few pigeons and bunnies on the day of the Free State Open. They also took a few shots of tequila and a shot or two at the bar ladies. Darcy van der Berg shot himself in the foot. This is of course a story and a big lie, in contras... Darcy with his team members managed to win the team gold medal at the Fitasc Universal Trench World Championships in France. Karel Haefele earn his Protea Colors in English Sporting representing South Africa in Ireland. We are very proud of them. Neels Bornman junior is preparing for the ISSF African Championship in Algeria in his quest to win the Olympic quota place.

In general a healthy competition among members persist, this for the twelve places available in the Free State Chairman's Cup team. Good luck to all the trialists.

Clubs and Competitions: Maccauw successfully hosted the Free State Open at the end of August, worth mentioning is the effort the team and ground staff put into the event. This was evident in the neatness of the ranges and the smooth running of the competition. We had 117 entries, 10 short of 2018. This was to be expected with the new UT, OT format with a couple of shooters showing their dismay by boycotting the event. This was expected, we still fully support the format for the trial period. A positive spin off was the record entries the Northern Cape Standards received.

Wesselsbron hosted an interclub competition with Maccauw during September. Special thanks to Pieter Rheeder and his team for hosting the event.

Thank you to executive for the opportunity to give this report.

Regards

Albè Blay Chairman



KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCIAL
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The province and its shooters report with regret that Riva Valley Club has closed down in July. The landlord is thanked for hosting the club for 19 years. The majority of the infrastructure (in terms of traps/voice releases etc.) as well as other assets has been donated to Eston Clay Target Club (ECTC). The club has received permission from their mother club to upgrade their ranges to include a UT and one additional trap range, bringing the total of standard ranges to the same as Riva Valley Club had: two trap, one UT, one skeet range.

The ECTC committee is to be commended for all the hard work they have put in so far to come to this point. It has been a long road !! This range improvement will enable the club to host the KZN Open Championships in March next year, in addition to the Chairman's Cup in November.

I am happy to report that the ranges will be facing south.

The KZNCTSA EXCO believes that, ultimately, the fruits of this labour will benefit all KZN shooters, in many direct, and indirect, ways.

This will be the last provincial report I am writing for the CTSASA EXCO. My term of office expires at the next KZNCTSA AGM in February 2020, as our constitution allows a maximum of five years for a Chairman (or is it Chairwoman? or Chairperson?). New fresh blood with shiny brooms is a good thing in my opinion, as there is always room for improvement. Reflecting back on the last five years, I do believe that the province and its shooters have developed and improved. We have new blood wanting to get into the Chairman's Club team. Communication channels are such that our shooters are better informed, therefore wanting to get a bit more involved. We have a FB page and a Whatsapp group. We have a good relationships with the KZN Hunting, Shooting & Conservation Association, a potential pool of new shooters - as has been demonstrated at this year's KZN Open.

Hopefully all of this will provide a foundation for the "new" KZN club (ECTC) to flourish and to leap from strength to strength in the future.

Finally, I would like to say that it was a pleasure to be able to serve on the CTSASA EXCO in the interest of the sport. Thank you to all of you (past and present) for the opportunity to have some robust discussions - in the boardroom or on the range ! Thank you also to the Executive Officer for being patient enough to answer A LOT of questions during the last couple of years !

Yours in shooting

Sabine Wintner

Chairperson KZNCTSA 29 September 2019

LIMPOPO CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

PROVINCIAL REPORT

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The 2019 Limpopo FITASC Champs was again held at Wattle for logistical reasons about the availability of vehicles to transport machines over that weekend.. The competition coincided with the annual Holiday Inn shoot at Premier, resulting in many shooters not being able to attend or only shooting 100 birds on Sunday.

We have received news that long time Limpopo member Tim Bruggeman will be joining us at the Limpopo Standards in November. We have had a lot of interest from shooters and we are looking forward to hosting a great event.

Shooters Gun Club at the moment is the most active club and we keep attracting new members.

For the 2020 calendar the decision was made by Limpopo EXCO to swap the Limpopo English Sporting (usually held in March) with the Limpopo FITASC (usually held in August). This is to give our members more time for Chairmans qualification and logistics for the EXCO in finalising teams.

The Doornkop challenge is still on hold with no date set yet.

EXCO has also made the decision to move the LIM Standards (usually held on the first weekend in November) to the last week in May 2020. This was also done for logistical reasons as the event is the final qualifier for the Chairmans Cup team and it makes it difficult to make arrangements for the team/clothing and travel. The LIM Standards will also coincide with the Olympic qualifier with the bottom range at AI Thandiwe being utilised as a dedicated Olympic range.

Limpopo has a number of shooters attending the Grand in San Antonio this year and we wish the best of luck. Although competing for Schreiner University, Pieter Greyling has already made a difference with a silver medal at the 28G mini worlds.

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NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCIAL REPORT OCTOBER 2019

Kimberley Clay Target Club ("Kimberley Clay Target Club")

The De Beers Gun Club has been re-named the Kimberley Cay Target Club.

Poor economic circumstances in the area has seen a slight decline in members attending Club shoots, which are held on dedicated days, and also the use of the ranges during weekdays and "off" weekends by members. The continued existence of the Club, under difficult circumstances, is as a consequence the continued dedication of the Chairman of the Kimberley Clay Target Club, Maurice Barker, assisted by the members of the Committee.

Some Highlights for the period under review include:

1. **Range Accreditation:** The Committee, assisted by Hennie Harding, ensured that the ranges complied with NRCS (National Regulator for Compulsory Specifications) SANS 10353 Range Standards, which accreditation was issued in early September 2019, prior to the Northern Cape Standard Championships held on 20th to 22nd September 2019.
2. Hosting a successful Northern Cape Standard Competition on the 20th to 22nd September at which 101 guns were present. The success of the event was secured by the commitment of the Committee and Members. 180 cases or 25 400 competition Clay Targets were launched (excluding breakages), and 114 practice rounds (2 850 Clay Targets) were shot ;
3. Constantly working in upgrading ranges and machines in order to ensure same are in good working order, despite the ingress of thousands of uncontrolled illegal miners in the area who have damaged and continue to damage Club infrastructure;
4. The De Beers Gun Club is in the final stages of taking ownership of the land on which the club is situated, by way of a deed of donation from De Beers Consolidated Mines. The land will be incorporated in to the non-profit entity, The Kimberley Clay Target



Club NPC. The process has had some administrative challenges regarding erroneous zoning of the land as mining, thus making the rates clearance problematic. We simply cannot afford Municipal rates running into the hundreds of thousands of rands per annum.

5. On-going artisanal mining surrounding the club, and some illegal activity on it, has been a constant stress and has significantly eroded the asset. At this stage almost all of our boundary fencing has been stolen. We are hoping that the illegal mining activity will start reducing as the Zamas find that there are no diamonds on the property. There is some co-operation from the SAPS, who assisted in controlling the zama-zamas during the Northern Cape Standard behind the UT range.
6. Construction of a basic FITASC Sporting Range which is being used by members, the re-juvenation of the sporting discipline being a noteworthy achievement. A Northern Cape FITASC Sporting event has been scheduled for August 2020, an event initiated at the request of members;
7. Hosting Corporate and “shotgun days” at the Club.
8. For a relatively small club membership of about 50 with only about 20 who shoot at least once a year and the core of 15 regulars, KCTC can be proud of their facilities.
9. The Club is fortunate to have a group of dedicated members who put in an extraordinary amount of effort, especially when it comes to the preparation for the Northern Cape Standard Championships.

Northern Cape Standard Championships

The Northern Cape CTSA is grateful for the support of the CTSASA in arranging the Standard Championships, as well as the encouragement of the National President of the CTSASA, Mr Orazio Cremona, in the build-up to the event. We are also grateful to Tim and Jenny Swanton for agreeing to assist in the administration and running of a successful shoot.

I would like to thank the following individuals who assisted at the event:

Kimberley Clay Target Club Committee

Maurice Barker (Chairman)

Alan Thompson

Hennie Harding

Ian Conroy

Errol Erasmus

Willie Kamffer



Club Ranges and Machines

Alan Thompson

Hennie Harding

Willie Kamffer

Ian Conroy

Ian Mandy

Scorers and Umpires

Ian Conroy

Mark Harding

Boeta Steyn

Alan Warren

Thys Groenewald

Stefan Muller

Riaan Kotze

Gregory Botoulas

Thano Stylianou

Willie Kamffer

Peter Bergh

Mark Weyers

Ian Mandy

Rob and Carmel Klemp

Mike Birch

Bar, Tickets

Maurice Barker

Peter Bergh

Di Ridgard

Rochelle Gray

Braai

Stefan Muller

Hennie Harding

Veronica Crous

Carmel Klemp

Peter Bergh

Molopo Gun Club

Molopo Gun Club comprises two (2) members of the Molopo Gun Club.

Pofadder Skietklub

Three (3) members of Pofadder Skietklub participated in the Free State and Northern Cape Standard Championships. Franco Roberts was elected Chairman of Pofadder Skietklub.



CTSASA Competitions

It is with great pleasure that the NCCTSA notes the improved participation of our members in CTSASA Competitions, particularly in the Sporting disciplines.

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Theo Botoulas
Chairman
Northern Cape CTSA





Western Cape Provincial Report – October 2019

It gives me great pleasure to report that shooting is alive and well in the WC.

We have noticed that we are seeing more and more casual shooters at the main clubs viz Valley and False Bay. Charles Montgomery is going a fantastic job of introducing new shooters to the sport at the Quarry – I attended an awesome club shoot at the Greyton GC – and I would like to compliment the small contingent of members for setting up a wonderful days shooting. I have suggested that we try and support them in hosting a special event in Greyton, where the visitors would be able to spend a weekend in the picturesque town – lots for wives and girlfriends to do as well.

Valley hosted a very successful WC Sporting championship last month and whilst up country attendance was disappointing, the local attendance was encouraging. Simon Smith, Ian and Wayne must be congratulated on the high standard of range setting. We are getting very favourable comments about the level of targets that are being thrown at Club and Provincial level. Sporting clays is definitely becoming more popular amongst our members.

Valley again hosted a very successful WC open last weekend – and whilst attendance was slightly lower it was interesting to note that there was a big increase in the number of rounds shot – this means that shooters are shooting more disciplines. The conditions, catering and general mood was of the standard that we have to expect from Valley. The quality of the targets was a great improvement on last year as can be seen from the scores.

In June I commented on the junior's performance on the ranges – well I'm pleased to say that again we had the numerous personal best scores posted at the WC open from the likes of Corné Grimmbacher, Tristan Stubbs, Marcus Bonsma, Luca Peacock (lost two shoot offs – one to Gideon Malherbe and one to Jaco de Wet) Joubert Grobbelaar, Jared Booysen, Neil Meyeridricks and our colt Euan Holtzhausen. Proudly we already have four juniors who have qualified for the WC Chairman's cup team.

We still have one popular event this year and that is the Bob Allison memorial shoot that will be held at False Bay gun club on the 14th December 2019.