



# ON TARGET

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## October 17 Shoot at Cooyal

The main match was shot over 900/700/500 and 300 (Offhand) yards in conditions best described as a mild spring day with a few clouds and light wind (albeit it moving around a bit). 10 shooters were on the line, including Brodie MacDonald at his 1st Buff shoot.

The 900 mound saw scores of 8 hits from Dan MacDonald, 7 from Gavin Dignam and 6 from Gary Vandersluis. Good results again at the 700 with Gary and Dan both scoring 8 hits and Gavin, Ken Hiley and Brodie each scoring 7.

Two shooters scored a possible 10/10 at the 500 - Gavin and Dan - with Ken Brown, Paul McCarthy, Gary and Brodie scoring 8s.

There was time to shoot the 4th distance on the Saturday leaving time for a special match on Sunday. The 300 offhand was scored with 1 for a hit and 3 points for an orange centre hit. Gavin again came out on top with a very nice 13 ahead of Ken Brown and Paul McCarthy with 11.

Sunday commenced with a rubbish run getting rid of one old fridge which was replaced with a much nicer one donated by Albie Ralph (Thanks Albie).

Sunday morning was devoted to a precision match devised by Club Captain Brad Skyrms. The target at 300 yards was a 15" steel plate and the winner, Gavin, scored 10 hits with a group size of 253mm. Dan also scored 10 in 400mm. A really interesting match that we will incorporate into our calendar



**Top: On the range. Above: Gavin Dignam won the precision match. Below from left: Paul McCarthy with a big one; Spotter Kellie Skyrms hard at work; The placegetters in the main match were Gavin Dignam 37, Dan MacDonald 35 and Gary Vandersluis 29**



# Monthly Shoot Cooyal Range

## 25/26 November

Match will be over Saturday and Sunday Morning

Briefing at 8am on Saturday

Breakfast and lunch available for those that order it.

Dinner on range on Friday night (BYO food etc) and in the Cooyal Pub on Saturday night.

Distances and targets will be advised at the briefing but allow for a minimum of sixty rounds

Depending on time a 'special' match will be shot in addition to the main event so a further 20 rounds should be ready

Due to the Working Bee it is unlikely that the Range will be open for practice on the Friday

## WORKING BEE COOYAL RANGE

### FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER

Please try and make it to the Range for a very full days work the day before our November Match. The aim is to fix or (more likely) replace the toilet cisterns in all of the toilets; fix the pump set up so that it can be left behind a locked door month to month; thoroughly clean up and refurbish in the kitchen area inc new work surfaces.

It's a lot of work and the more hands the better.

Work will kick off at 8am. Breakfast and lunch will be provided for those that labour

## Cooyal Range Inspection

Members will be pleased to know that Cooyal range passed its inspection by NSW Fire-arms Registry with flying colours.

At the time of writing the only extra requirements are for additional Danger signs on the escarpment at the target end of the range and for a fence down the right hand side of the range where further signs will be located.

We are awaiting the written report and are hopeful that some discrepancies over which matches can be shot on the range will be clarified then.

## FOR SALE

CSharps 45/90 1874 Hartford model Sharps \$2850. MVA Sight available if required \$180

Hornady Classic Single stage Lock and Load Press. \$300 new. Only used for 300 rounds. \$150.

Details from Bill Sherman 0418 257 330

