

HAPPY NEW YEAR

2018



E-Newsletter December/January 2017/2018

Welcome back, we hope that you all had a good break over Christmas and the New Year holidays. Here's hoping it doesn't already feel like a distance memory. We are looking forward to see you all back on the range.

What's New?

Service Pistol shooting only on Service Pistol ranges: We are still seeing damage done to ranges two and three.

Folks have been seen shooting at targets placed mid-range and this is causing damage down range on the service pistol mechanisms.

From this point on **no shooting other than Service Pistol is permit on ranges two and three.**

If it is raining and you are looking for somewhere dry to sight your pistol, run your reloaded ammo through the chronograph or just to practice, you will need to find another range.

We have invested a lot of time and money into these ranges and want to protect our assets.

Reminders

Please ensure that you lock both top and bottom locks on the doors to the club rooms. It all adds to our security.

I am sure you all know but there seems still to be a problem. The toilets will only flush if the generator is running. Please ask a committee member to start the generator if a flush is required.

A reminder that Gun Supplies and PNZ will attending NZ's largest firearms an outdoor event this 17-18th February, the 2018 Shot Expo!

PNZ will be located at booth #185 as well as the Air Pistol Range on both days. More details can be found [HERE](#)

Don't forget we need your stage designs. For the **2018 IPSC Pistol Nationals** Please send your ideas, concepts, or designs to secretary@rotorupistolclub.org.nz

If you are missing a small petrol bottle probably for a weed eater please contact secretary@rotorupistolclub.org.nz it was found on the range.

Please remember if you see anything odd at the range please let one of the committee members know. If you see someone you don't recognise please go and see who they are and find out what they are doing.



King of Carbine IV is coming soon! Get your entries in. You can enter on line or down load an entry form and email it to us. The pistol carbine club champs will be schedules later in the year.

Upcoming working bee

As we had to cancel the working bee a couple of weeks back, we thought we should schedule a replacement so you can get another signed off.

On Saturday the 24th of February we will have a working bee to set up for the King of Carbine IV competition. Start time will be 9.30 a.m. rain or shine. There may be stage building so bring tools



New Members Introductions

We have five new members arriving at RPC. Rod Houghton, Tim Russell and Lakshya Bhalla are all new to members, with Andrew Brewster and Mark Wyborn joining as associate members. Club membership numbers are constantly growing. I f you see any of our new members at the range introduce yourself and make them feel welcome.

Hi. My name is Mark Wyborn. My wife and I have recently moved from Auckland to Rotorua to enjoy this beautiful part of the country. We both appreciate the walking and mountain biking that the forest provides and it's great to be in such close proximity to the shooting range.



I started shooting service rifle as soon as I had my FAL, then moved to IPSC pistol about 3 years ago. I have since had a go at 3Gun and a bit of IPSC rifle. So much fun. So much to learn. I am loving all that Rotorua has to offer including the friendly people. I hope to meet you at the range.

Cheers Mark

Hi Members.



I am Rotorua born and have resided here for approx. last forty years. Although a son of a dairy farming family i spent the last 30 years of my working life as a sheet metal fabricator (specialising in stainless steel.)

Like quite a few of my generation and background: hunting, fishing, and rugby was and remains a passion. I was a 19-year-old Govt hunter in 65/66. Joined Rotorua branch NZDA in 1980 am a Life member of the branch.

My experience with pistols is limited to time spent in USA with hunting mates. My application to join you could be described as a bucket list project and the culmination of a long interest in pistols and firearms generally.

Cheers. Rod H.



My name is Tim Russell I have recently relocated to Rotorua with my family from Abu Dhabi in the United Arab Emirates I spent 5 years there as an advisor.

I have been around guns my whole life hunting pig, deer & roos mainly. I'm looking forward to shooting steel challenge and 3gun and getting to know everyone at the club.

Cheers Tim



Hi I'm Nick and I'm originally from Melbourne. My partner & I moved to Rotorua about 4 months ago for a lifestyle change. I've been shooting since I was 10 and did quite a bit of hunting back in Australia.

I look forward to meeting you all and contributing to the gun club.

Cheers Nick

Classic Pistol at Rotorua Pistol Club article provided by Aaron T



On the 5th of November, after much delay, the shortened version of Service Pistol, Classic Pistol, was finally run. Normally run as a second match for specific classic pistols, think Lugers, boom handle Mausers, 1911s, Webley's and Smith & Wesson Victory models etc at the end of the service Norths and Nationals, this was a little different.

As a training tool for new shooters Classic is ideal, it's also excellent for shooters of all levels to refresh their accuracy skills. The match is only 48 rounds (less than one packet of ammunition) and you don't need a holster, only a pistol or revolver that can hold 6 rounds.

The match is as follows and is shot on the turning targets on Range 3

Part 1 - 9.14 Meters (10 Yards)

- String 1: 3 shots on T1 and 3 shots on T2 (or vice versa) in 8 seconds
- String 2: 3 shots on T1 and 3 shots on T2 (or vice versa) in 8 seconds, strong hand only
- String 3: 3 shots on T1 and 3 shots on T2 (or vice versa) in 8 seconds, weak hand only
- String 4: 6 shots on T1 in 4 seconds
- String 5: 6 shots on T2 in 4 seconds

Part 2 - 22.85 Meters (25 Yards)

- String 6: 6 shots on T1 in 15 seconds
- String 7: 6 shots on T2 in 15 seconds
- String 8: 3 shots on T1 and 3 shots on T2 (or vice versa) in 15 seconds

At the Club, there is no restriction on the firearms used so you can use what you already have. As a bit of an incentive I have drawn up an initial top ten table, can you get on the top ten table?

1	Aaron	T	5/11/17	458
2	Aaron	T	5/11/17	432
3	Craig	D	5/11/17	431
4	Craig	D	5/11/17	429
5	Tom		5/11/17	427
6	Daryl	M	5/11/17	420
7	Adam	R	5/11/17	418
8	Adam	R	5/11/17	411
9	Daryl	M	5/11/17	398
10	Peter	H	5/11/17	391



Thanks to club member who has been trimming edges and mowing at the range.
If you are missing a small petrol bottle please contact secretary@rotorupistolclub.org.nz

We are getting on top of the weed with most of the gorse having been sprayed and many other weedy areas too.

There is a tree down as you walk around the corner by the Dance Floor. We are aware of this (thanks for letting us know). Matt will be dealing to the removal of the tree shortly. Thanks Matt.

The bike has gone to Patterson O'Conner to get the battery charging issue resolved. Thanks for getting it there Keith.

It's tasks like these that go unnoticed to most of the members but please know that it is appreciated.

Checkout this is a 3Gun video clip

<https://youtu.be/BRvYtEuJhxA>

Upcoming Events in brief

17-18th Feb Shot show – Auckland

24th Feb Working bee. Set up for King of Carbine IV

25th Feb King of Carbine IV

4th Mar Club Champs Service Pistol

11th March 3Gun-shotgun

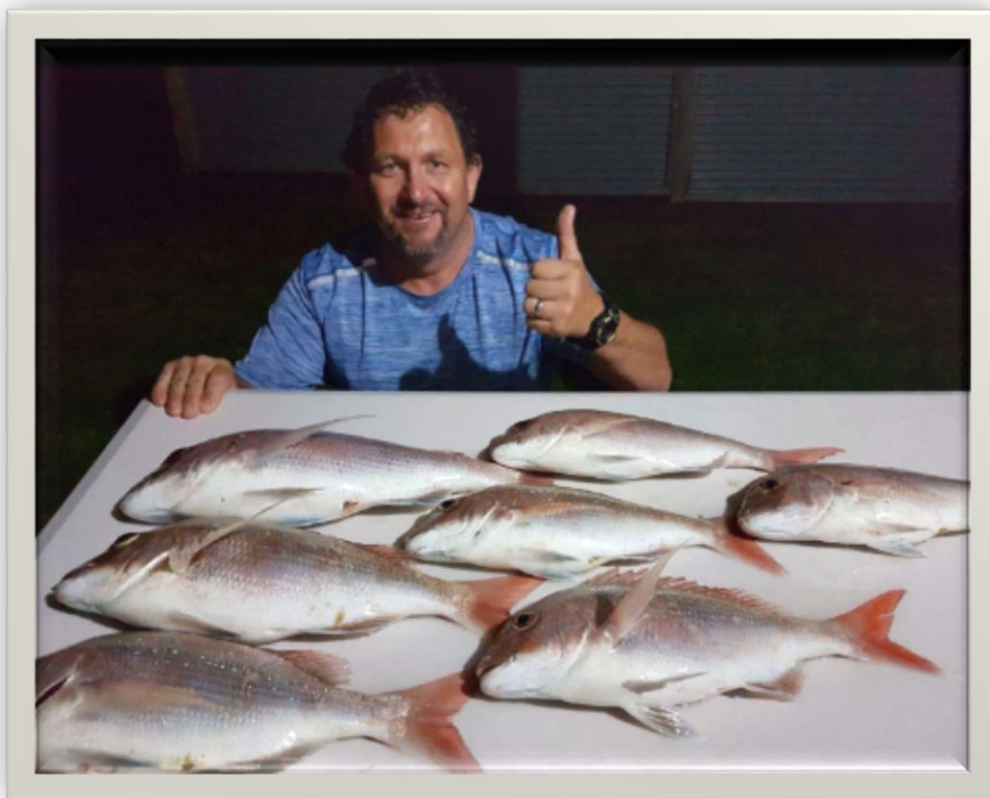
11th Mar River City Open – Wanganui

17-18th Mar North Island Steel Champs – RPC

25th Mar working bee



Kodak Moment



Yep, I'd give that haul a thumb up too Pete!

Communication

If you have any items you would like to go into the newsletter, as we are always on the lookout for content, please email the secretary secretary@rotorupistolclub.org.nz

See you on the range.

Remember, if any of your contact details have changed, please advise the club secretary and Pistol NZ secretary@rotorupistolclub.org.nz and Exec@pistolnz.org.nz as it is important that you are able to receive all club and PNZ communication.