

## CENTRAL GAUTENG REPORT SEPTEMBER 2015

1 HELD GENERAL MEETING

2 ATTENDED BY WATTLESPRING

WATERHAVEN

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3 OFFICE BEARERS CHAIRMAN ROB THOMPSON

VICE CHAIRMAN COSTA HALKIAS

SECRETARY WARREN HOWEL

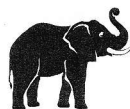
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All clubs reported to be in a sound financial position with a membership similar to last year

The team for the chairmans cup is not yet finalised

Rob Thompson

chairman



## **EASTERN CAPE CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION**

*Affiliated to the Clay Target Shooting Association of South Africa*

### **Delegate's Report – October 2015**

In the latter half of 2015, two Inter-Club events were staged in the Eastern Cape, one being the Standard disciplines in Graaff Reinet and the other being the Sporting Grand Prix in Port Elizabeth. The unusually (very) windy conditions that prevailed on the day in Graaff Reinet made for some challenging targets which generally impacted on the scores posted, especially by the novice shooters! PECTC's investment in new automated machines again paid dividends, ensuring a hassle free sporting event. Our 5-Stand and Sporting Doubles held a week ago was a well run, resounding success, bar for the attendance – there were barely more than two dozen shooters attending, with only only FOUR shooters from outside the Province. Certainly food for thought as far as these disciplines are concerned.....

I am happy to report that ECCTSA grew the ranks of their affiliated clubs by TWO, with Eden (Plettenberg Bay area) and Winterberg (Adelaide area) joining the fold. This brings the affiliated clubs up to seven, a position we were last in in some 15years ago! This is really something wonderful for the Province, as at one stage we were down to only three active clubs. Hopefully the CTSASA will also get a membership spin-off from these affiliations!

I am also glad to report on Giuseppe Tagliaferri's wonderful performance in the DTL Championship held in France. On debut he posted a 582 / 600, in the process earning him a 21<sup>st</sup> place out of a field of 316. Given his commitment and dedication to the sport, he is sure to improve on this performance in the future! Currently, Morné van Jaarsveld is in Texas with the Skeet team, and there is no doubt that he, too, will do our Province and indeed South Africa proud.

Our teams for the Chairman's Cup are now starting to emerge and with only a few trials left, there is some hectic jousting taking place for the last few remaining places. One thing is for sure – there WILL be new faces in the team (again!) and we hope this bodes well for our efforts in Al Thandiwe.

Yours in shooting

**André Nagel - Chairman: E C C T S A**



## **KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCIAL REPORT** **JULY 2015 – SEPTEMBER 2015**



Eston Clay Target Shooting Club hosted the KZN Open FITASC Sporting Championship in May and 22 shooters attended. Although there has been a steady decline in attendance since 2004, this year the total number of competitors increased by nine from last year and levelled out at the average of 22 over the last five years. It is encouraging to see that attendance from other provinces increased from zero to seven when compared to last year. Hopefully this trend will continue in the years to come and non-KZN shooters who travelled to support our province are thanked for their efforts ! KZN shooters took home 11 of the 21 medals, well done!

The club's ball-trap machine has been installed and proves to be quite popular.

Riva Valley Club hosted the second KZN postal league shoot in July (the first one was in May). The club is the only one who is hosting postal leagues in KZN and at the time the club was also one of only five clubs in the country to do so. The club's landlord has finished a large new storeroom for the club and the club has purchased an automated trap machine which should arrive shortly. Due to the landlord's generous loaning of a generator, load shedding, although inconvenient, is not a major crisis.

Stanger Gun Club is currently modifying their range to deal with a water flooding issue. No news were received from the other KZN Clubs, i.e. Nottingham Road Rifle Club, Buffalo River Club and Creighton Valley Club.

The imminent Chairman's Cup has new-and-upcoming shooters scrambling for positions and to this effect additional trial dates were introduced to accommodate shooters who could not attend some of the scheduled trials earlier in the year.

KZN has centralized the purchase of medals; the resulting bulk purchase (and change of medal supplier) has resulted in significant savings without compromising the quality of the medals. These savings will be passed on to the clubs which in turn will assist in keeping competition entry fees low.

KZN hosted the SA FITASC Sporting National Championships in August at the Eston Clay Target Club. A record number of 36 shooters, the third highest entry for an "Open" since 2004, attended. Again this trend is encouraging; the last SA FITASC Sporting National Championships held in KZN in 2007 attracted 24 shooters. This year saw 15 KZN entries and from all provinces except Northern Cape. Again, a big thank you to those shooters who supported our province ! Congratulations must go to Tim Hubner who shot an excellent 196 ex 200.

Sabine Wintner

Chairperson KZN CTSA  
31 August 2015

# **NORTHERN CAPE CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION**

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## **NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCIAL REPORT SEPTEMBER 2015**

### **Constitution of the Northern Cape Clay Target Shooting Association**

During the period under review, the Constitution ("Constitution") of the Northern Cape Clay Target Shooting Association ("NCCTSA") was approved by members under the authority of the previous constitution in force and effect up to that time, the Constitution of the Griqualand West Clay Pigeon Shooting Association ("GWCPSA").

The NCCTSA would like to thank the CEO of the CTSASA, Sarah Kalell, for her valuable time and contribution to the drafting of this new Constitution, which has now been approved and lodged at the CTSASA. The Constitution crystalizes several matters, including but not limited to the criteria for the qualification/ selection of representative teams for the Northern Cape.

The criteria for selection have already been circulated to all Clubs in the Northern Cape.

The Constitution is broadly based on that currently in force and effect in the Western Cape, but has been modified to recognise realities with respect to Clay Target Shooting in the Northern Cape.

On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August 2015 at a Special General Meeting of Members, of whom all were given notice, the following resolutions were passed by members:

#### **Resolution number 1**

To amend the Constitution of the Griqualand West Clay Pigeon Shooting Association to the Constitution of the Northern Cape Clay Target Shooting Association, the Constitution as attached to the Notice of Special Meeting circulated on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

#### **Resolution number 2**

To validate the nomination of the members of the Executive Committee of the Northern Cape Clay Target Shooting Association for the remainder of 2015 and until the next regular period of election as per the NCCTSA Constitution, as being:



Duncan Coutts (Chairman)  
Theo Botoulas (Secretary and Treasurer)  
Andro van den Heever (Pofadder Skietklub)  
Johan Malan (Molopo Gun Club)  
Ian Conroy (De Beers Gun Club)

The primary point of some debate, and also disagreement, was the issue of proportional representation (calculated by membership of the various Clubs which comprise the NCCTSA, Molopo Gun Club, De Beers Gun Club and Pofadder Skietklub) to the executive of the NCCTSA.

All members of the NCCTSA have been advised that should they be of a different opinion, that they should petition the CTSASA if they are in disagreement with the principle of proportional representation as approved in the new Constitution. A Constitution is a working document which may be amended to ensure fairness, equity and the growth of the sport in the Northern Cape. With this objective in mind, the NCCTSA will be more than amenable to suggestions or directives from the CTSASA to ensure fairness, equity and the growth of the sport.

#### **De Beers Gun Club**

The De Beers Gun Club has seen resurgence in members attending Club shoots, which are held on dedicated days, and of late has also seen the use of the ranges during weekdays and "off" weekends by members.

This can in no small measure be attributed to the efforts of the Chairman of the De Beers Gun Club, Alan Thompson, assisted by the members of the Committee and members such as Alan Wharren who have in a short period of time:

1. Held a successful De Beers Gun Club closed competition on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> August 2015 shooting Universal Trap, NSSA Skeet, ATA Trap and 5 Stand Sporting, for which there were some 28 entries in all disciplines.
2. Run the competition over 50 competition targets in each discipline, with the results being lodged with the CTSASA;
3. Acquired two (2) new trap machines which have been installed, tested, and which will be in use at the Northern Cape Standard on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> October 2015. It has been planned to replace the Skeet machines towards the end of 2015;
4. Consistently worked on the Universal range and machines in order to ensure same are in good working order for the Northern Cape Standard;
5. Negotiated the donation of an additional 5 hectares of land on the western side of the Club from De Beers, which has been earmarked for the construction of a Sporting Range, and which extends the total area of the Club to 40 hectares. It is the intention of the DBGC Committee to construct a Sporting range of a quality which will once again be able to host the Northern Cape Sporting Championships;



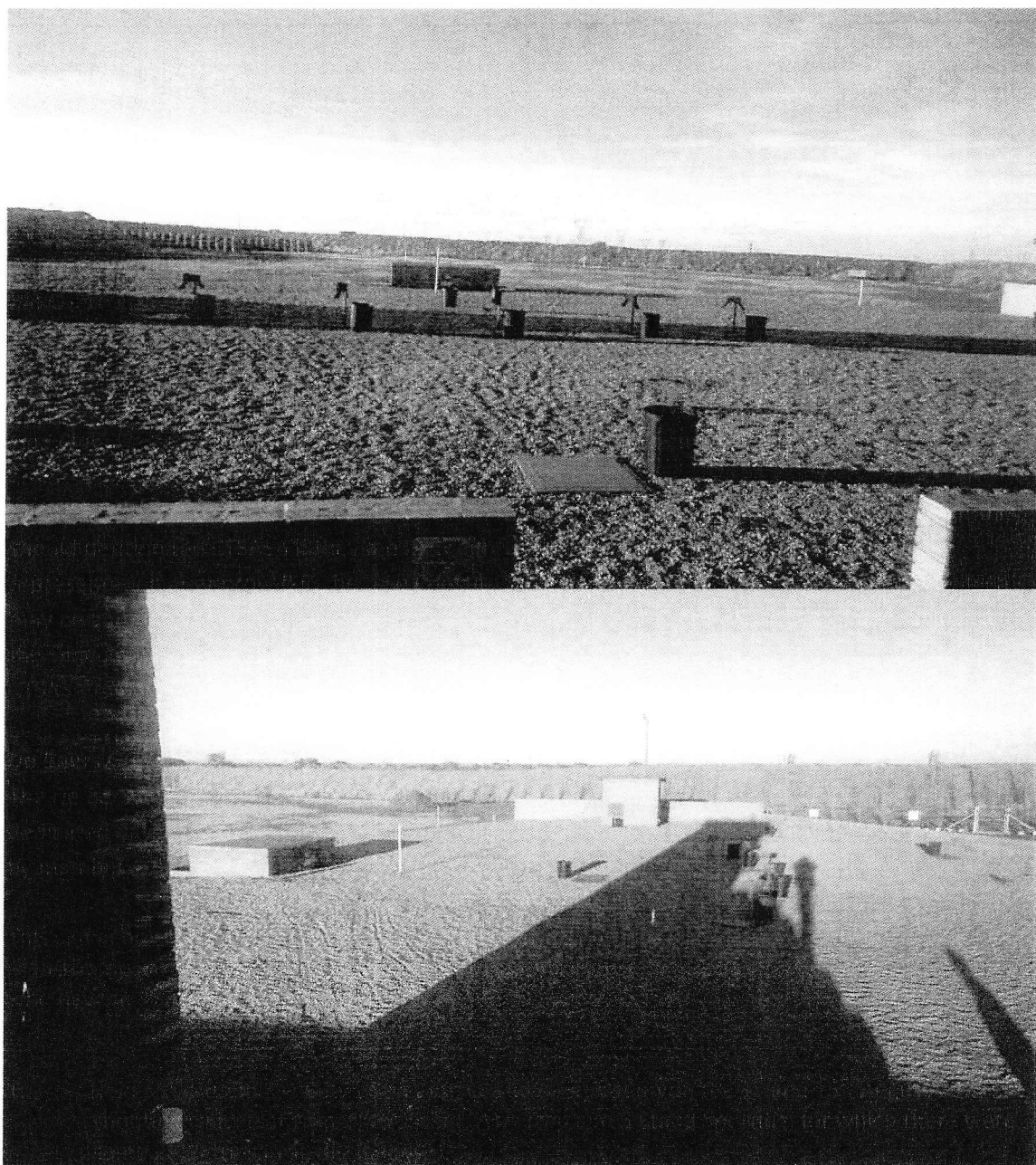
6. Renovated the entrance to the Clubhouse and upgraded the entertainment and other facilities at the Club. Extensions to the Clubhouse and facilities are also planned;
7. Hosted "shotgun days" for Hunters Associations;
8. Begun capturing, with the assistance of Vida Allen of the McGregor Museum, all the Club and Provincial photographs and documents from previous years which record the history of the Club and the Sport in the Northern Cape;

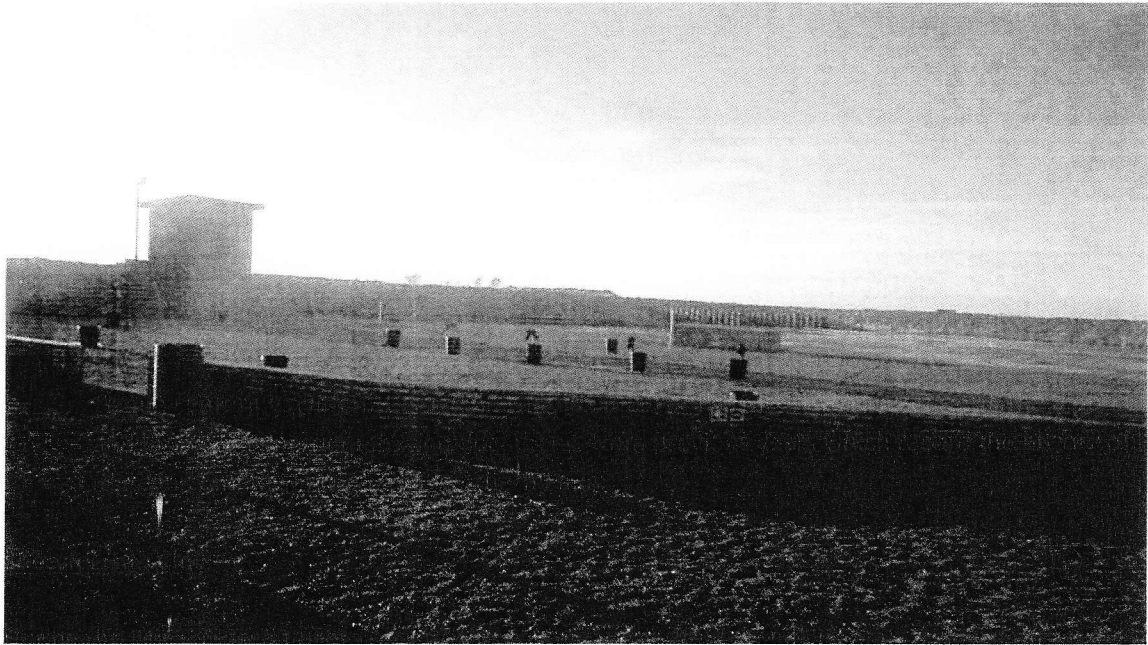
#### **Soetvlei Gun Club**

During the DBGCC Closed Championship, the Committee decided that all Hunters Associations in the Northern Cape, or in close proximity, would be invited to participate in the Sporting Competition in order to "discover" potential new talent for the Northern Cape. During this search the Soetvlei Gun Club in Bloemhof, 160 km north of Kimberley, was "discovered" by the NCCTSA. The Club facilities are excellent and comprise a composite Skeet/ Trap range. The Club comprises 42 members, including 8 ladies. Photos of the Club are included in this report.

The owner of the farm on which the Club is situated, Deon Beukes, indicated that he had sourced the plans for the ranges from the ATA in Texas, United States. The NCCTSA has put him in contact with the CEO of the CTSASA in order to discuss and implement the Affiliation of the Soetvlei Gun Club to the CTSASA. Should this occur, we would request that Soetvlei Gun Club be affiliated to the NCCTSA for reasons of strengthening the member base in the Northern Cape.







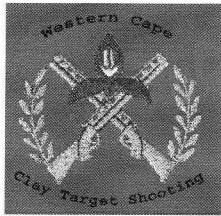
#### CTSASA Competitions

It is with great pleasure that the NCCTSA notes the improved participation of our members in CTSASA Competitions, with an attendance at the Free State Standard Championships being at its highest in many years.

We would in particular like to congratulate Herman Calitz of Pofadder Skietklub for his 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in ATA, and the Team Silver Medals in DTL (Ian Conroy, Herman Calitz and Darren Thompson) and Universal (Duncan Coutts, Herman Calitz and Alan Thompson).

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Duncan Coutts  
Chairman  
Northern Cape CTSA





# WESTERN CAPE CLAY TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

## PROVINCIAL REPORT SEPTEMBER 2015

We continue to see good growth in shooting numbers at both Valley and False Bay – Valley hosted a very successful night shoot which attracted 50 odd guns. We certainly hope that this growth will spill over to our Provincial shoot next month. We were very proud of our three shooters who went overseas and represented us in the Olympic disciplines – Congratulations to Tobie Erik & Christian. Tobie shot his personal best, but that was sadly one target light !

On the sporting front young Zak Cadiz has been excelling and has just received his national colours – Ian James and Wayne also recently attend the English Doubles & British Sport Trap Championships.

### **COMPETITIONS HOSTED AND TO BE HOSTED:**

We will be hosting our annual Interprovincial shoot next month and we certainly hope to encourage all the new members in the Province to compete.

Plans are running at full speed for the English sporting doubles and FITASC shoot next month. We have had a reasonable response from the International shooters and I know the organisers are trying hard to encourage more of the local shooters to enter. It looks like another bumper Valley shoot !!

### **GENERAL:**

I would like to thank my vice Chairman and secretary, for their support, especially Anthony who tends to all the financial and secretarial matters.

Rob Henderson  
Chairman  
September 2015