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Taranaki Gun Show

On the weekend of the 3rd and 4th of November the Taranaki branch held their annual gunshow in New Plymouth. Even though it clashed with our Wellington Branch annual Sunday luncheon there were still quite a few Wellington branch members there, including our President and his first lady and Rex Hill who had also made the trip. (The rumour I heard, he was ordered there for the rhododendron festival). Fred put on a great display of picklehaubes and Rob went to great efforts with his china display .

The show was held in a conference room at the Plymouth Hotel. The display tables were along the outside walls, with dealers and sales tables in the centre of the room. There were a wide selection of displays including German daggers, military commemorative china, HMNZS Achillies, NZ wars swords, handguns and rifles, all being well labeled and informative. There were also displays from the local deerstalkers, bottle club and the local taxidermist, who had a large selection of stuffed animals. He was very informative on how animals today are now freeze dried with everything still inside. The Auckland dealers were well represented with Graham & Tony who had a large selection of firearms and Geoff & Dave Oldham with their badges and medals.

The Taranaki show is a very social event with most of the out-of-towners staying at the hotel and getting together for a meal or drinks. On Saturday evening, after the show, there was prize giving and awards for best display, best military etc.

This is a great show to attend and not that far from Wellington. Thanks to Andrew and Adrienne for their hospitality and Taranki members Zac and Mercedes, Noel and Merv who made everyone feel welcome .

Steve

“Quote of the Month”

The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man be perfected without trials.

Danish Proverb

Christmas Family Fun Picnic Shoot

Family fun day Nov 11th. With wind and rain it was a challenging day to say the least! A small crew of dedicated shooters turned up and our catering team kept the tea hot, gave us all a lovely hot lunch, making the day seem more enjoyable.

With the shooting conditions far from perfect, and the uncommon wind gusts we had to have a shoot off for the Iron chicken trophy. After two rounds of extra chickens, the two competitors agreed to a draw.

The days highlight; Dave C. rolled out his canon! The crowd enjoyed the smoke and watched Dave with anticipation as he calculated the formula to make sure the canonballs hit the drum.

Scores for the day.

Children under 15 yrs.

1st	Cayle	5 chickens
2nd	Hazel	3 chickens

Ladies

1st	Belinda	3 chickens
2nd	Lee	2 chickens
3rd	Janet	1 chicken

Iron Chicken Trophy

1st	Henry	6 Chickens
2nd	Neville	6 Chickens
3rd	Ian	4 chickens
	Brian	4 Chickens
	Robin	4 chickens
	Tony	3 chickens
	Michael	3 chickens
	Thomas	3 chickens

Cadet Rifle Trophy

1st	Henry	118 points
2nd	Robin	108 points
3rd	Alwyn	103 Points
	Lindsay	98 points

We postponed the shotgun event and the teams event untill next month due to the weather. I would also like to take this opportunity, as does your committee, to wish you all a safe and happy christmas break.

For those of you heading out to the hills for a bit of recreational shooting,... be sure, identify your target beyond doubt,... and stay safe. We will catch up at our February 2013 Meeting.

Happy Trails,
Alwyn

November Luncheon Displays

- Figural Lighters - Cigarette Lighters of all kinds.
- Austin seven handbooks and list of spare parts
- Glass - Blown, pressed, moulded & carnival.
- .303 range rifles and their accesories, sights, sight protectors cleaning equipment etc.
- French Foreign Legion cap, badges, etc.
- Browning 1919 A4 .30 cal machine gun, cyclic rate 500 rpm USA & Allied Forces.
- 2nd marine division, garrands, bayonets & equipment.
- Small Colts, (Not Horses) 1849 .31 cal, 1855 .28 cal, 1862 .38 cal. 1903 .32 cal., 1873 .22 cal.
- Ship Tallies, graf spee, HMS exeter, HMS, Ajax and HMS achilles
- German helmet, belt buckles, medals, etc. French helmets (4 total) and medals.
- Colts, colts, colts... Single action, 1902 semi auto, Colt 1877 double action, Colt cloverleafs, etc.
- Selected purchases this year. Gold Hunter 12g, gold medallion 30-06, .22 semi auto take down, model 53 32-20 and baby Browning .25 cal.
- Fighting & Military Knives, 14 off daggers and machetes.
- Carton Ware China 16 different pieces.
- Sectionalised L1A1 & FDL rifle.
- Sten & Sterling, both used by NZ Army beginning of WWII.
- No.8 Cadet rifle with hand book and packages of ammo.
- Photos of USMC men on roote marches, Hospital, and camp sites around Wellington.
- Black Powder Colts - Many repo's with ammo boxes, double barreled Hammer shot gun, all used for Black Powder shooting.
- Australian machete, bayonets, two with scab-bards.
- Watercolour by Captn. Barns of 14 Reg. of Napier 1861, also photo of 57 Reg.

Any errors, misspellings or mistakes are intentional and for testing members power of focus and comprehension.

ATTENTION EVERYONE!

To assist firearm owners with an application for a permit to import we have loaded an example below – **Application for a permit to import example**. While this does not cover every special reason, it gives an applicant a format to follow that ensures they cover off all of the points an arms officer will look for in assessing an application.

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21 November 2012

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Arms Officer

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WELLINGTON

Dear XXXX

I request permits to import the following items.

Items coming from the United Kingdom;

1. 1x Cleaning rod for MG34, accessory for a C category firearm
2. 1x Czechoslovakian VZ61 Machine Pistol 7.63x33mm, with 2x magazines, as a C category firearm.
3. 1x Russian AKM 7.63x39mm, with 2x magazines and 1x sling, as a C category firearm.
4. 1x Russian Tokarev TT 33 Pistol 7.62x33mm, with 2x magazines and 1x holster, as a B category firearm
5. 1x Colt AR15 5.56x45mm, with 5x 20rd magazines, as an E category firearm

Items 1-3 would be added to my collection, on C endorsement, to bring the firearms I have up to the condition they were when they were issued and add firearms that enhance my existing collection of xxxx.

Item 4 would be added to my collection and also used in Classic pistol competitions, on B endorsement. I belong to the xxxx club which is a member of Pistol New Zealand Association which runs a National Classic Pistol competition, I expect to compete locally.

Item 5 would be added to my collection and also used in three gun shoot competitions and I may use it occasionally for goat culling on private land, on E endorsement. I belong to the xxxx club which is a member of Pistol New Zealand Association which runs a three gun shoot event. I am also a member of the NZ Service Rifle Association and may compete nationally.

The firearms would be added to my "B,C or E" endorsements and secured at my home.

My collection is secured between safes, cabinets and stout room inside my home. My annual check was last completed in August this year.

Yours Sincerely,

XXXXXX XXXXXX

THE COLFO REPORT

Dear Members

The focus of this bi-monthly column is to follow on from the work COLFO has undertaken on behalf of firearm owners in regard to importing restricted firearms for special reasons. However this process may be used in importing and firearm or an accessory.

We have had three informal meetings with police and one meeting with an MP since the last report. The Council held its second meeting for this year in October, as a result of the meeting it was agreed to set up a strategy sub committee to advise the Council on long term issues. Associations have been asked to submit candidates for this committee, which will meet by email, so that a group can be formed by February next year.

To assist firearm owners with an application for a permit to import we have loaded an example on the COLFO website – Application for a permit to import example. While this does not cover every special reason, it gives an applicant a format to follow that ensures they cover off all of the points an arms officer will look for in assessing an application.

When police are checking an application they are looking for specific information, about the item, its make, model, type and calibre, make this easy to find. They are also required to check you have an endorsement for the requested item and details on there system are correct, such as your address, make these easy to check.

We recommend you carefully consider your reasons for importing. Please consider the application as a checklist for the arms officer to confirm all of the requirements needed to allow importation. While your own arms officer may be very familiar with your security or interests, the police national office staff may not. Additionally if staff have to refer to a number of sources to confirm information it will result in delays in processing your application.

If you wish to import a firearm for the purpose of hunting and/or competition shooting and/or collecting, state all of your reasons in your application. The reasons do not have to be exclusive, but they do have to be for recognised legal purposes. If your application states a single reason then police may require you to sell or dispose of the firearm when it is no longer required for the purpose you specified.

If you are importing an item to enhance a collection, state how it will enhance it. If your interest has evolved, show how this item will fit with this change and cover any changes to your security as a result of this change.

If you are importing to compete, state which competition, you could state a club you belong to that competes in the event but word your application in a way does not restrict you to that club as you may wish to travel away to compete in the future. Like most processes the easier a form is to follow and identifies the critical information required, the faster it can be processed.

If you have any thoughts or feedback please email me at chair@colfo.org.nz

All the best
Michael Dowling
Chair COLFO

IT HAPPENED THIS MONTH

By Des Perado.

It happened this month in 1891. The Johnson County War was in full swing and Nathan D Champion and his twin brother Dudley were top ranch hands in the county and were also suspected of doing a little rustling on the side. The brothers took the side of the small ranchers and homesteaders in their growing feud with the wealthy cattle barons of the area.

Nate and Ross Gilbertson were living in a line shack on the Powder River. Just before dawn Joe Elliot, Tom Smith, Frank Canton and Fred Coates burst into the shack intent on killing Nate in the interests of their wealthy employers. Nate sat up in bed, snatched his six gun from its holster on the bed post and opened up on the intruders one of which was nicked in the arm and another hit in the side. The four intruders bolted for safety and left behind a trail of blood, overcoats, horses and a Winchester given to Canton by Smith previously. Nate pursued the attackers, traded shots with Elliot but had to retreat back inside. The fight was over.

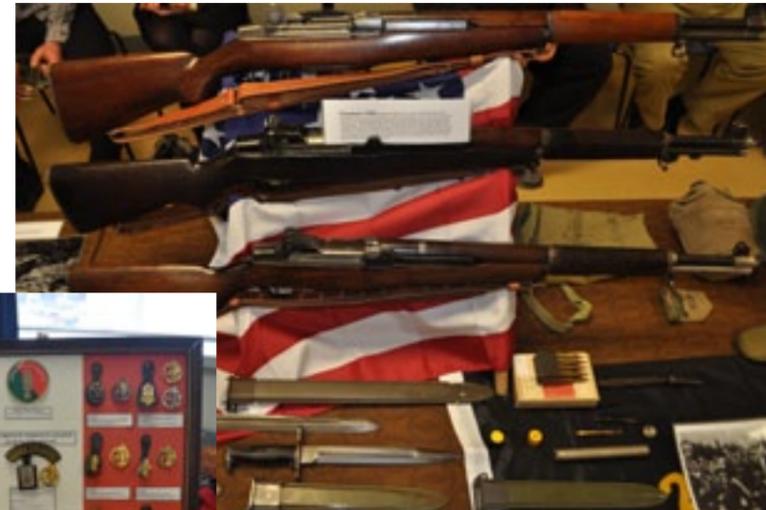
Elliot was charged with attempted murder but the only witness, Gilbertson had vanished so the charges were dropped. A few months later Nate was killed in a battle with fifty regulators where he put up a commendable display of courage...
...but that's another story.



German helmets, medals & belt buckles



Fighting & Military knives



M1 Garrand rifles & accoutraments



Australian Machete Bayonets



French Foreign Legion medals, cap.



.303 Range rifles with all the accessories.



Colts (Not horses)



Figural Lighters in all shapes & sizes.

FLINT STRIKES FRIZZEN NEWS

I have included some photos and a few paragraphs from a nephew who is serving in Afghanistan with the NZ forces, which some of you many find of interest.

Earlier activities since my last email, have been a couple of good range days with the patrols, I got to fire the 60mm mortar and the AT-4 76mm Rocket Launcher.

The 60mm is an awesome lightweight accurate weapon that can put down a good rate of HE and Screening smoke on an insurgent position in a short space of time. It also has a good thump to it too. 60mm mortars were often referred to as knee mortars, as the older ones could be fired from your knee/thigh. I don't think you'd have one left firing this thing. You also need to have your mouth open as the concussion can do damage. The AT-4 is also an awesome weapon; individually you should fire no more than 4 a day (8 in emergencies) as the concussion from that thing really knocks your socks off.

A lot of our time here has been training up the guys in camp on search techniques for when they man the gates and check people and vehicle coming in. Getting to know the local ANP (Afghan National Police) EOD operators. If we think our roster back home is bad, these guys are on constantly. They are pretty good guys so hopefully we will get a bit more involved with them.

"We have had a pretty satisfying job in the last couple of weeks that was supporting the ANSF (Afghan National Security Forces) on a raid on a TB compound, finding some good evidence. I won't say any more on that, and



Above – firing the 60mm

Top Right – Airfield security for one of the Herc flights (can't stop every kid-they quickly learn that planes don't stop)



also a good job, ANSF led to find a device that was no longer there. Both jobs went well, shows that after we leave the ANSF will likely do OK. Speaking of Afghans, you have probably heard the GOVT is giving our interpreters a place to stay in NZ. Most of us here are pretty happy with that result. A few here have grumbles about it, but when you ask them why they don't deserve it, when they've worked for the NZDF longer than they (complainers) have, plus carried our casualties under fire? They don't have an answer. I think they are trying to get the LEC's (Locally employed civilians) home too, these guys work in our workshops, plant operators, chippies, plumbers, cooks, etc, and are gold. They respond to anywhere, what ever threat to build, uplift veh's etc. Although they wrap their faces up fully when out of camp/town. Fingers crossed they get the good news.

While in BAF we had a few rocket attacks, they didn't land that close, but you still have to go and sit in bunkers while they strike. There's a big voice that goes across camp with a siren and a says "incoming, incoming, incoming, don't IBA (indv. Body armour) and take cover" The only problem with this is you usually hear BOOM BOOM BOOM before you hear the warning.

Sitting in a bunker for an hour or so gets very boring when you don't have time to get music or cards. So we joke and hope that a rocket may hit the big blimp that watches over the surrounding area. It has great optics, but I'm sure if it was hit it would swing wildly making one of those high pitched fart noises! Pity was, they hit the food warehouse. Not that the food there was any good; it's all greasy as hell. We did discover BAF had a Burger King; we had early discovered Pizza Hut, Subway and Pop Eyes chicken.

AHH how could I forget. 15 October is Sappers day, (the Corps of Engineers birthday). Now I am no longer a sapper, but "once a sapper, always a sapper". I joined the guys for their midnight pranking on the 14th (photo's attached next email) and for the first time in 9 years, other units actually congratulated our attempts'. Usually there is hate! The canon needs explaining.

Every year we steal the workshops canon, we then ransom it back for a few kegs. We've build bridges and put it on islands, sent terrorist ransom videos or pictures. One year they put it on their Mog and locked it in their compound. Next day the Mog was on blocks outside camp with a canon on it. So this year, after saying at least we can't steal their canon we thought we'd make them one. They were chuffed (despite the ENGR colours on it). For Sappers day, we pitched in 5 bucks to the ENGR LEC's who put on an awesome spread of potato na'an bread, rice dishes and Geep kebabs (goat / sheep), with mountain drew to wash it down. S Y G



Photographing evidence

"If anyone tells you that a certain person speaks ill of you, do not make excuses about what is said of you but answer, "He was ignorant of my other faults, else he would not have mentioned these alone."

— Epictetus

COLFO

The New Zealand Council of Licensed Firearms Owners is seeking expressions of interest from members who would be willing to form a strategy committee to advise the Council on such issues as public relations, media, and strategic plans etc, which would provide more depth to the Council. If you feel as though this is you or you know someone who may fit the bill CVs are invited toinfo@colfo.org.nz fax: (04) 801 7368 or to PO Box 24020, Wellington, New Zealand no later than January 15 2012.

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Arms & Militaria Fair

16-17th February 2013, Lower Hutt Horticultural Hall.

In February we will be hosting another Arms & Militaria Fair. At this stage we are asking for people to put on displays. We intend to have an array of firearms related clubs attend, a selection of military vehicles, and a good selection of sales tables.

We are now taking bookings for display and trader tables. We are also asking for those wanting to exhibit, when booking a space to advise us of the display contents. Set up would be on Friday, 15th February at 3:00pm, and the show would draw to a close around 4:00pm Sunday, when exhibitors can pack up exhibits.

Just as a reminder, we as a club, would like to have a selection of collectables on display so please get in contact with one of us to let know.

For security purposes we will have a team of people staying in the hall over the weekend. Several will have the appropriate license requirements for the items displayed.

For further information, or to book space, contact Terry A. (04) 9713227 or Alwyn (04) 5288190.

Thanks Alwyn

Annual Sunday Luncheon

On Sunday the 4th of November the club had its annual Christmas luncheon at the PWMC, and as usual members went to a lot of effort and produced some great displays.

The committee organize this luncheon as a thank you to the members who have helped make the branch one of the best in the country, and it is funded by the proceeds from the auction. This year the committee decided to improve the quality of the meals, and the food and wine was very nice.

Alwyn gave his presidential speech and thanked everyone for their contributions over the course of the year, and handed out two awards, Kevin A. received the award for the most consistent displayer, every month he has well presented and researched displays. ...And Steve in his usual modest style received the MVP award for his contributions this year.

This was a great social day and it was nice to catch up with all the old faces, thanks to everyone who made it happen.

Rusty Barrel



**Great Job
to
both of you!**

UPCOMING EVENTS

2013

- 4-6 January Northland Branch Invitation Shoot
- 24 February Central Branch Gun Show, Otorohanga
- 16 & 17 February Wellington Arms & Militaria Fair
- 13 April NZAHAA AGM & Auction, Invercargill
- 25 May Ruahine Branch Gun Show, Feilding
- 22 June Whangarei Hunting Shooting and Fishing Show

Firearms License Reminder

[Check your Firearms License Expiry Date Now!](#)

It has become a lot harder to get a new license (if it has expired) than renew...

Remember it can take up to six weeks for the Police to act on a renewal request. So keep yourself updated and don't delay.

Signals & Posts from the Secretary

Anyone interested in a Name Badge with a NZA&HAA WN Branch logo please give Scott \$20.00 and a piece of paper with your name written as you want it to appear on the badge.

December Letters are S & T

We're looking forward to these displays, be creative and have fun!

Venue is Petone Working Mens Club

@ 1:00pm First Sunday of the month.

See you there!

**All Those in Favor
of Gun Control,
Raise Your Hand!**

