

On Target

March 2026

Special points of interest:

- Feral Pig Numbers
- PTA
- Wildlife at PFA
- Xtra shoot days
- SFFP from Parliament
- New chef required

Dates for Upcoming Shoots. March 2026

Sat 7th 10am to 2.00pm
Tues 10th 10am to 2.00pm
Tues 17th 2.00pm to 6.00pm
Sat 21st 2.00pm to 6.00pm
Sun 29th 10am to 5.00pm
Note: the 12.00 noon detail reserved for rimfire only.

April 2026

Sat 11th 10am to 2.00 pm
Tues 14th 10am to 2.00 pm
Sat 18th 1pm to 5.00 pm
Tues 21st 1 pm to 5.00 pm
Sat 25th Anzac Day Shoot - 11am to 4pm
Sun 26th 10am to 5pm (the 12 noon detail reserved for rimfire only)

Range Officers (RO) needed to assist in the running of our shoot days. The more qualified RO's we have the fewer times ROs need to attend, simple.

Have you some time to spare? Take up the RO's course and assist at our regular shoots, the more the merrier and the lighter the load. Volunteer now, contact the club and nominate, put your name down to become an RO.

Disclaimer: Please note that the items and views expressed are not necessarily those of PFA Inc.

Welcome to all PFA Members to "On Target"

A REMINDER TO ALL MEMBERS.

The following rules must be followed when you attend the range:-

* No firearms are to be left unattended in the Registration area. If you need to walk away from your firearms ensure you ask someone to mind your firearms for you.

* All firearms must be cased or bagged

* There is to be no handling of uncased or unbagged firearms in the Registration Area or the car park.

* There is no handling of loose ammunition in the Registration Area.

These rules are in place for your safety and the safety of everyone attending the range. Thank you for complying and assisting in the safe smooth flow of our shooting day.

The Committee of Management

HELPING HAND required at your club. Yes you can help and be part of the ongoing efforts to maintain our unique and wonderful club. Some jobs require a level of skill that we don't all possess but in most the majority of work is general in nature that we can all do with little time and effort required. General gardening, painting and small maintenance work, easy but needed and necessary. You'll receive a **"free shoot card"** for your contribution and efforts which allows you one shoot when you next attend the range, a bonus. Come along and volunteer some time, enjoy yourself as well while contributing to your club. You don't have to attend on a scheduled Work-Bee, day, just contact the club, indicate that you are available and you can join likeminded members on a day that suits, to carry out some jobs that need doing. Contact Tony G direct to arrange a suitable time and day or call now leave a message at **PFA on 0431581259**



OUR ACCESS ROADWAY.

PFA shares our access road with SIPC, which is two-way traffic at all times.

We also have a publicly accessed walking, running and cycling pathway intersecting it just up past our gates, safety and caution is of the utmost importance.

We have traffic that we need to be aware of, that travel in BOTH directions on the roadway, and also cyclists, runners and sometimes horse riders to be expected crossing it. ALL must be expected and anticipated, cautious driving a must.



The speed limit is 10kph, meaning that under 10kph is **OK**, over 10kph is **not**.

When leaving our range, **ALWAYS** look left, never assume that it's clear to just pull out.

Both clubs are required and advised to adhere to the speed limit, which unfortunately is not always going to happen, be careful, don't be the one that gets caught out and says "I didn't see him/her coming, I didn't expect him/her to be there".

Enjoy your day at the range and ensure the drive home is equally pleasurable and uneventful. Be Safe.

1st COLLECTOR'S MEETING for 2026.

As you all now know, PFA is also a collecting club, of all things guns and gun related.

We have many members who are "collectors", and to comply with, and meet the legal requirements of their licence, must attend functions, activities



and/or meetings associated with the collecting category. Graeme T, our Clubhouse Mgr. arranged and scheduled the inaugural PFA Collectors' meeting, which was held at the club rooms on Monday, the 24th of November 2025, it now seems so long ago.

All PFA members, collector or not are welcome to attend these very interesting meetings. We had a good number in attendance at the inaugural meeting.

As firearms are part of the evening, certain criteria need to be met by members. Your firearms licence, photo ID to sign in, and a gold coin donation (to cover the cost of tea and coffee).

There are some rules (not too many) for the meeting. All firearms to be inspected by the PFA range officer on duty, before



proceeding into the meeting.

All handling of any firearm (or part) must be done by an appropriately licensed person.

For those of you who missed our first meeting and have not been to a collector's meeting it's a bit like going to a military museum, along with a range of other memorabilia. You see, it's not just for collectors, but for all to see, with each piece having an amazing history and a story to tell, which, at these meetings is presented by the owner, often these items are from centuries past. Our next dates for this "Collection of History", at PFA for 2026 will be **March 23rd** then again on July 27th and November 30th. **See you there.**

Our first collectors meeting was a great success and a very enjoyable night, a step back in time viewing the amazing array of collectibles you never know what's going to be on the table.

Time; 6pm to 9pm

What to bring; Your firearms licence and photo ID

A couple of your favourite collectables

A Gold coin donation

Please RSVP Tere at the club or graeme@osawood.com
Graeme T Clubhouse Manager.

See you there.



Hi to all you .303 owners out there, and we know there are a few of you.

It's been rumoured, hinted, talked about and discussed at great length and we now have an event being proposed which will allow you to



all get out on the range and have a little competition time. How good? some time to spend with your .303, giving it some quality range time instead of being hidden away and covered up in the safe. The plan is to run a competition on Anzac Day for 303 rifles.

2026 ANZAC DAY .303 SHOOT.

Sat 25th April

Time, from 12.00 to 1.30pm.

Tony G has agreed to run the formal side and officiate on Anzac Day.

Only .303s, Std issue .303 iron sights only, no hybrids, scopes, or performance modified rifles will be allowed to compete.

5 counting shots. Sighting shots until the shooter decides to start. The shooter must then advise the RO that he is finished with his sighters, and about to start his 5 counting shots Then his next 5 shots on a clean target are his score.

Targets must be printed by the range officer and handed to the range director for verification.

Open to all comers, \$10 entry fee when you book in for the competition at the front desk.

To top it off, Magnum Sports is supporting this event and has donated a most generous prize of a \$100 gift voucher to the top scorer on the day.

Our thanks to Aubrey Sonnenberg and the Magnum team for their more than generous donation in support of the event. We extended an open invitation to

Magnum to attend but as it is Anzac Day their prior commitments make that unlikely.



We must

support those that support us, whenever we find a need for anything to do with shooting, our thanks can be shown by patronising **Magnum Sports.**

(02) 9882 2689. 19 Babbage Road, Roseville Chase 2069

Come one, come all, enjoy Anzac Day with all your mates at PFA for this awesome event.

For those of you that don't want Alexa or Siri listening in on your conversation, they are making a male version.... it doesn't listen to anything.

My wife said: "That's the 4th time you've gone back for dessert! Doesn't it embarrass you?" I said: "No, I keep telling them it's for you."



Something From the Editor.

After a long and certainly at times frustrating, period of negotiations (some would say battle) your club (Tere A and associates) on our behalf and in response to multiple requests to do so, were able to secure extra shooting days and times. Great news, a very big job and done well, and we can now all benefit from a more generous and flexible shooting roster, OR CAN WE? Having the additional days approved only means that we can use them if we want and are able to, nothing compulsory, but as the saying goes, "Use it or Lose it" I guess we need to determine which days best suit our members and which ones they want the most and then adjust our rosters accordingly, BUT it will still come down to the range volunteers and having enough of them. Without our volunteers to run the range, even if you want to shoot, you won't be able to, we have already had a few days cancelled, from:

1 Insufficient Members registering to shoot for that day. (cancelled)

2 No range officers available to run the range on that day. (cancelled)

One shoot was shortened and called early as there were insufficient range officers to complete the roster on the day. The afternoon of the last Sunday shoot for the 2025 year, (bit sad) the last detail was shot at 1.30 pm, finishing at 2.00 pm. Unfortunately, unless we get more range officers on board, this state of affairs will become more common. Members asked for extra days and we have been able to get them, so now it's up to the club's members to participate in the running of these extra days, club members now need to decide whether they want to have those extra days or not. I'm confident that the answer is a resounding YES, so the time is now to step up and learn to become range officers, be part of our club, be part of the solution, be part of our success. RO training is quite straight forward logic really, gun safety, range safety and learning the range rules, not complicated at all, no age restrictions (licenced) all are welcome to train and become a certified RO. Becoming a range officer has many benefits, besides ensuring the running of the range shoots, you also have a reduction of your membership fees, a free shoot for each RO duty, and of course helping your fellow members enjoy their shoots. It may be surprising all the extra things you can learn from the RO course, working on the range with other member RO's, improving your own shooting and enjoyment of the club. **Derek BT ED**

**Xtra
DAYS**

WE NEED YOU,

We are in need of someone to take over the running of the BBQ on the last Sunday of the month.



The BBQ has been operating since B.C.

(before construction), and ever since, at Sunday shoots by Tony G, its been popular and very well attended and appreciated by all members but it's time for Tony to have a break. So, if we still wish to have a BBQ and want to keep it going we need a new chef. If you want to have a go, we are looking for someone to man (or woman) it for a few hours at the end of month, Sunday shoots.

Unfortunately, unless someone puts up their hand, and commits to running the BBQ, the decision may be to Can-It, what a shame that would be, it's become as big a part of the club shoots as the shoots themselves.

Contact the club and see what's involved and how you can help out, and share in many great benefits by getting involved.



A Very Interesting article I read in a well known shooting magazine, gave some numbers that surely must question why the Govt spends \$\$\$m's in feral control with minimal results in comparison to those achieved by capable and willing hunters **doing it for free.**

FACT, hunting is recognised as a genuine reason to own a firearm.

Here is a brief summary of that article, (credit to SSAA. 08/2025)



START. *Allowing hunters greater access to public land presents very little danger to the public. Hunters already have access to public land in NSW and around Australia, including in National Parks in several states, with a highly commendable safety record. Hunting also plays a valuable role in the management of feral and game species around Australia and makes a critical contribution to protecting endangered species and habitats. Hunters eradicate more feral animals than government programs and they support rural communities with tourism dollars rather than costing millions of dollars in public spending. An example of the environmental contribution by hunters was highlighted in a recent citizen science project conducted in partnership with the University of Southern Queensland. This project estimated that hunters eliminated 5.3 million pigs in 2024 and by doing so, prevented the birth of a further 29 million. By contrast, an NSW government program spent \$13 million eliminating just under 119,000 pigs. **END***

Derek BT ED

UPDATED NEWS FROM TASSIE. 28TH FEB 2026

Tasmania announces firearms reforms with no cap on number of guns individuals can own. The Tasmanian Govt has announced which firearms laws it'll change in response to the Bondi Beach terror attack. The reforms include a buyback scheme and citizenship requirements for people seeking gun licences. But the Govt's refusing to limit how many firearms Tasmanians can own. **END**

Permit to Acquire GOES ONLINE

BUYING A NEW or 2ND HAND FIREARM?

First you will need a PTA (Permit to Acquire), you can apply for your PTA online now, great, but you do need a few things to be able to do this.

A My Service NSW Account

Proof of identity documents such as Driver licence, Birth Certificate, Concession card (If you have previously completed this process and saved your identity documents, this step will not be required) Your current firearms licence or permit number

A safe storage inspection is not required for each PTA, rather, your arrangements need to continue to meet the safe storage requirements as set out in section 41 of the Firearms Act 1996.

A good reason for acquiring a firearm, select a reason from the options provided which most closely describes your purpose for acquiring the firearm

A current credit card (Visa or Mastercard) for payment, if applicable (each PTA current costs \$30 and payment is made by credit card during the online application).

A fee exemption will be applied to, Primary producers who hold a current licence issued with the genuine reason of Primary Production.

Holders of the following current concession cards, Centrelink pension concession card only, Disability support pension card, Veteran's Affairs card.

Note. If your pensioner status has changed and you have been issued one of the above concession cards, email the Firearms Registry with a copy of the front and back of your valid pension card prior to commencing your application for a PTA. When you receive a confirmation email that your status has been updated, allow 24 hours before commencing your online application. You will also be able to upload a copy of your new current concession card during the online application if the concession card you previously supplied has expired.

What To Expect

Once you submit your application, you will be provided with a transaction reference number and you will be sent an email confirming successful submission, with the transaction details.

If you are required to provide further information, you will be sent an email and a SMS text message notification (provided you entered a mobile number in your application). The email will specify the information required and will provide instructions on how to provide/upload the required information by logging into the NSW Firearms Registry Customer Portal.

Use your Service NSW username and password to log into the portal.

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For first/initial PTAs, there is a 28-day waiting period from submission of your application before your PTA can be issued. For second and subsequent PTAs for the same category of firearm as one already registered to you, there is no waiting period.

Note: Category A or B firearms are taken to be the same licence category for this purpose.

You can track your PTA application in the NSW Firearms Registry Customer Portal.

What Happens Next?

If your PTA is issued, the Firearms Registry will send you an email advising your PTA has been issued and can be accessed digitally through the Gun Safe Customer Portal. If you do not have a Gun Safe account, you will receive your issued PTA through the mail. You will need to present your issued PTA to a dealer when completing your

acquisition of a firearm. If the dealer is submitting transactions through the Gun Safe system, you can present your issued PTA by displaying it on your

mobile device via your Gun Safe account. If the dealer is not submitting their transactions through Gun Safe you will need to provide a printed version of the issued PTA. The firearms dealer completes the necessary transaction and/or paperwork to transfer ownership of the firearm and provides this to the Firearms Registry. The Firearms Registry will issue a registration certificate to you as proof of registration. A PTA remains in force until the firearm is acquired or for 90 days, after which time it will expire. If the PTA expires before you acquire a firearm, you will need to apply for a new PTA. (*Info source FAR Gunsafe Portal 2025*)

Note: Subject to new rules, regulations and legislations that may (or may not) have been implemented by the NSW and or Fed Govt, the information provided above may have already changed. Please check with FAR and or your club first before following any of the above FAR sourced 2025 information. **ED Derek BT.**



NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS.

A reminder to all, that we are on the lookout for more members to become range officers!

Do you have some spare time??

Would you like to be part of the team??

Would you like to help run your club??

Come along and become a PFA range

officer, it's not difficult and you'll really enjoy it and scoring some great benefits while contributing to the running of the shoots.

Contact the club now and start the journey, do the course, become an **RO** and be a big and important part of your club. Be part of the team, call the club and arrange to be an RO and share in the satisfaction of contributing to your club.

ED Derek BT



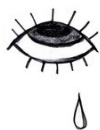
Check this out. (4 eyes)
On Tuesday 18th Nov
(last year), while getting
gear from my car I noticed



a young female Wallaby nearby having a feed on our grassed area. On closer inspection, I saw that she (definitely a she) was not alone. She had a brief look at me, then continued on feeding, not a care in the world, so nice to see.

Is that two heads I see? Look Closely. Derek BT ED.

Yesterday, I was cooking dinner, and my son came up to me and said, "One day I will work and help you with the bills, the groceries, and the house expenses. "My eyes started to tear up. My baby will be 32 next month.



Tuesday, 18th November.

Here we go again, this is becoming a bit of a habit, albeit a good one, shooting at the range, midweek, well Tuesday is not quite midweek, but close enough for me, how civilised is this? Weather? great, Crowd? not too big, Overall satisfaction? right up there, this could become addictive, maybe it already has, not a bad thing though. I just wanted to have a leisurely shoot and try out a couple of different brands of ammunition to see which ones better suited my recently acquired near-new, Savage, .22WMR, so I'm just shooting for groups, no pressure. In a short period of time, it became obvious to me that the Hornady was the pick of the bunch with Federal coming in a close second and the Winchester, sadly not even in the race. I had a couple (a few) flyers, my fault, I'll own them, but generally the group was acceptable, so with a little bit **left** and a little bit **down** adjustments to be made, we should be good to go, very happy. It'll take a bit more practice to get used to that rotary magazine though. I'm told it's easy enough, when you get used to it.



Derek BT ED.

SUMMARY OF A RECENT STATEMENT TO NSW PARLIAMENT BY SFFP MPS

"Rushed Firearms Laws Built on Panic and Fantasy"
Mark Banasiak called out the Government's approach as reaction, not reform. His message was simple: if community safety was the real goal, the priority would be fixing administration and governance inside the Firearms Registry, not piling new restrictions on the very people who already comply. He warned that expanding discretion inside a broken culture means more delays, more inconsistency, more livelihoods damaged, and less trust in the system.

Robert Borsak and Mark also went hard on the so called "belt fed shotgun" scare campaign. They argued Parliament was pressured into emergency lawmaking without a single clear example, model, manufacturer, seizure or evidence linking it to Bondi. Robert described it as legislating against an imaginary weapon and asked who briefed the Premier and the Ministers into this mess. The point is not technical trivia. It is whether NSW is making serious law based on evidence, or headlines and talking points.

(Connect to the YouTube video of the actual address to Parliament, below. (Ctrl/click)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=693ylGvgtKE>)

Comments by YouTube viewers, names redacted.

@ The less the public are made aware of all types of firearms, how they may be used for purpose, and how they are safely handled, the more fear about firearms the public exhibits.

@ The frightening aspect of this is that the uninformed general public swallow the untested veracity of politicians' statements. If there was any integrity the police commissioner should have publicly corrected this statement.

@ Minns is full of belt fed bull***t.

My girlfriend says I'm cheap, so I took her out for tea and biscuits. It was quite exciting as she had never given blood before

SHOOTING AT PFA Inc.

All members receive regular emails with the dates and times for our upcoming shoots which also includes the booking link. The dates and times are also on our website (Peninsular Firearm Academy - Peninsular Firearm Academy), but the booking link is only available on the member email. The privilege of being a member. Looking forward to seeing you all at the range. And, please arrive 15-20 minutes before your scheduled detail to ensure smooth processing.

Notice

With the introduction of these new, additional shooting days and times all members are requested to pay attention to regular club emails which include these new shoot days, times, and a **Booking Link**, and should be checked for the days and times that suit you.

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