



# CLI .303 CLUB OF CAPE TOWN

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## Bonnievale 2011-07-10

Only our chairman can arrange an away shoot in the middle of a Cape winter and it ends up being a huge success. The weather on the whole weekend was absolutely stunning, it could not have been better. Admittedly it was a bit cold at night but it was expected to be a lot worse.

The Wakkerstroom range was in great shape, albeit a bit muddy from the rain in the week before. The range was originally set out in yards and new 300m and 500m firing points were built but someone got the 500m wrong and it is now 527M. It was a bit strange shooting uphill but it did not seem to bother most of the shooters. The worst part is walking uphill to the butts at the end of the detail especially from the 500M, quite a slog.

The 300m detail was completed before our lunch, comprising of “wors” and rolls, prepared by Cedric and François. Thanks guys for a much needed meal after a somewhat difficult shoot. It is hard to explain why that target gives us so much trouble as the 5 is quite big. The conditions were near perfect with no mirage and no wind yet Jason, Amanda and I were rubbish, down in the lower 30’s.

The 527M detail after lunch saw a bit of wind spring up and the scores also improved with some very good results being recorded. Despite the firing point sloping the wrong way, were I was lying anyway, resulting in rifles being aimed seriously up and the sun now shining from behind did not seem to affect some of the entrants. I was rubbish again. The results of this great shoot were as follows;

### 300M

1) John Austin	41.2
2) Bas	40.0
3) Mike Beardwood	39.1

### 527M

#### X Class

John Austin	47.3
Jason	46.3
Freddie Troost	45.3

#### A Class

1) Johan Cilliers	38.2	Adrian Lith	42.2
2) Francois du Toit	37.1	Johan Cilliers	42.1
3) Amanda	34.2	John Duckitt	41.1



### **B Class**

1) Humphries Colyn	41.1	Stratis	42.2
2) Chris Gouws	34.0	Austin Wepener	42.1
3) Stratis	34.0	Riaan Coetzee	40.2

### **Vets**

1) John Austin	41.1	John Austin	47.3
2) Humphries Colyn	41.1	Johan Cilliers	42.1
3) Johan Cilliers	38.2	Riaan Coetzee	40.2

### **J Class**

1) Liam Beardwood	36.1	Liam Beardwood	33.1
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### **Overall Winners**

1) John Austin	88.5
2) Bas	84.1
3) Freddie Troost	82.4

King of the day goes to John Austin for winning the 300M, the 527M, the Vets and the overall top score. That score of 47.3 at the 527m really put us all away. Second place overall went to Bas with 84.1 and third was Freddie with 82.4. Other notable scores were 46.5 at 527m by Jason and 45.3 by Freddie at the same distance.

A Class winners were Johan Cilliers at 300M and Adrian Lith at 527M. B Class winners were Humphrey at 300M and Stratis at 527M. The J class had Liam win both distances. Well done guys on a great result. The Vets was taken of course by the true “vet.”

The vet was called upon to administer to a wounded member and managed to stop short of patting him on the head when he was finished. I am sure he was rummaging in his pocket looking for a treat, but he managed to control himself. (There is a picture to prove it!)

The prize giving was again held in conjunction with CTMLA at the Weltevrede wine cellars. Again we were not disappointed as the meal was excellent and plenty of it as well with seconds on offer and very good value for money as well. OK, there were no dancing girls but it was a great social event.

Thanks must go firstly to Mike for suggesting the event, and then organising as well. I must honestly say that I am not sure who organised what, but it certainly turned out to be a fantastic event. Bas and I manned the Butts while Jason and Mike did the firing point. Cedric bossed everyone around to get things done like putting up targets and packing them away again, thanks to Cedric and apologies for being so rude to him.

The targets did not just turn up at the range, some poor soul lugged them there and back again, thanks to who ever had anything to the organisation of a great event. I am sure that Mike will elaborate.



It looks like we will finally get to shoot the 600M event at the end of the month. (Remember, it was washed out at our last attempt) It will be interesting to see if those Sierra bullets make any difference, like a new record maybe.

## **Our next event will be.....**

**Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> July 2011  
**Venue:** Cape of Good Hope Range  
**Distance:** 600m  
**Ammo:** 5 x convertible sighters + 10 to count = 15 rounds

Keep Safe

Darryl

### **From the Chairman's desk**

I am sure you are all wondering why the Newsletter is so late this month? Well, the answer is 4 fold! Let's start with François, Cedric, Julian, Jason, Charl and me going to our annual Namibia hunt almost immediately. Then we have my entire family going to Namibia again 2 weeks later for another week! Then we have a few viruses infecting Darryl's computer. Then we have Darryl fixing his computer, only to have it expire completely on him after he finished writing the Newsletter for the second time!!!! I feel I have covered all bases as why there was a delay!

As Darryl said, we were blessed with wonderful weather in Bonnievale. If you remember, last year we had rain while the Black Powder guys had awesome weather two days prior. This year we had the awesome weather, while they had gale force winds and rain two days prior. Our luck must turn sometime!

To answer Darryl, the targets were lugged up by François in his trailer. Francois also took all the stands and target frames back to the range. John Austin brought them there together with lots of stuff for our shoot and we thought we would return the favour by bringing everything back. Many thanks to John, Duppie, François, Cedric and everyone else who helped out with everything. Next year it will be the duty of the new committee to organise this event. We have all offered our help again with organising what needs to be done.

Finally, I would like to thank all those attended, for their fantastic show of comaradie. It's wonderful to see everyone working together and having a ball at the same time. That's what this club is all about! It's your club and it's meant to be fun. As long as we all sign indemnity forms, there is nothing anyone can do to stop us having our "Away Shoot." After all, nobody pays us to shoot, we do it for the passion we have for our sport. What a boring life we would have if we were controlled by a rule book when we play! Many thanks to all of you who see this club the way I see it, and signed the indemnity form, allowing us to have controlled, disciplined fun at our notorious away shoot!

That's all from me folks. See you soon!

Mike



## FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK

We would like to wish the following members a happy birthday. We trust that you will have a wonderful day.

July 4	Jan Minnie
17	Jacques Müller
20	Glenn von Zeil
24	Robert Ellis
31	Sherrit Kunneke; Graeme Leon

### *Quote for the month:*

*This country will not be a good place for any of us to live in unless we make it a good place for all of us to live in.* Theodore Roosevelt

*Always forgive your enemies – nothing annoys them so much.* Oscar Wilde

Mooi bly!

Schalk

## *Some pictures from the Bonnievale shoot*



*He really looks like a paedophile!*



*Francois and his amazing technicolour dreamcoat!*





*Jason emitting “curry gas” from the previous night.*



*Even the Paedophile’s pen is pink!!!!*



*Wind, rain, snow; Ken will be in shorts!*



*What a magnificent back-stop!*



*Our real vet administering some running repairs.*



*Even when Darryl tries to look innocent, it fails!*

That’s all from us folks!!!!

Mike

