



# CLI .303 CLUB OF CAPE TOWN

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## Newsletter March 2010

Hi all you dedicated shooters.

Well, well, what a day!!!

Our 200Mtr shoot started off with our AGM. Our Chairman, Darryl Carver and Vice Chairman, Johan De Beer, resigned due to work or other commitments, so we had to elect a new Chairman and Vice Chairman. Our Secretary, Corena De Beer also tendered her resignation, so we had a triple header!

To cut a long story short, yours truly was elected as Chairman, Riaan Coetzee as Vice and we are still in the process of electing a Secretary. For the time being, I will do this task together with François du Toit. Cedric Claus was also elected as a member to replace me. I am sure Arnold Beneke will eventually relent and accept the position of Secretary. Let's see just how far I can twist his wrist before he succumbs!

Having said all that, the rest of the day went pretty smoothly.

We assembled on the firing line at about 10am and started to shoot at 10.15. Good going, seeing we had an AGM before the shoot!

The conditions were absolutely perfect! A slight South Easterly wind was blowing, but nothing to really take too much notice of. As usual, details 1 + 2 took their place on the shooting point, while details 3 + 4 went to the butts.

The shoot went off without any hiccup and the following people were in the medals.

### X Class

1. Koos Brink	47.5
2. Mike Di Bona	46.5
3. Jason Di Bona	44.2
4. John Austin	43.4
5. Riaan Muller	43.2
6. Freddie Troost	41.1

### B Class

1. Mike Shortt	44.3
2. Sakkie Stofberg	40.0
3. Connie Arellano	38.0
4. Piet Niewhout	37.2
5. Cedric Claus	36.1
6. Johan Cilliers	36.1

### J Class

1. Charl du Toit
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### A Class

1. Melani Hunter	44.1
2. Tjaart Muller	43.4
3. Pieter Marais	43.1
4. Daan Britz	43.1
5. Mike Beardwood	42.5
6. R. Macnought Davis	42.0

### Veterans

1. Koos Brink	47.5
2. John Austin	43.4
3. Alan Williams	41.2
4. Riaan Coetzee	41.0
5. Ronnie Blake	39.1
6. Johan Cilliers	36.1



Well done to everyone who shot! The following people should get a mention....

Koos Brink on a very good 47.5/50. Baie mooi Koos!!!! Also to Jason, John, Riaan and Freddie in the X Class. Well done to you all!

In the A Class, we have Melani who continues to dominate. Very soon we will have an addition to the X Class. Enjoy it while you can Melani!!! Another candidate for the X Class is Tjaart. It looks like his days in the A Class are also numbered! And he achieves all this with a 2 groove barrel!!!! Well done Tjaart! Our visitor, Pieter has also collected a medal once before. It is permanent status for you Pieter, and the X Class is also getting closer!!!! Good shooting.

Daan and Mike are also always up there! Well done to the two of you! There is another visitor, but his card only reads "R. Macnaught Davis". Sorry my friend I do not know your first name, but I would also like to congratulate you on your good shooting!

In the Vets class we have Koos Brink showing us all just how to shoot! Well done Koos!! John Austin, as usual is always in the mix. Good shooting there John! To Alan, Riaan, Ronnie and Johan, it's always good to see the high scores you guys shoot. Hopefully one of these days I will join your ranks in the Vet Class! Good shooting to all of you.

In the B Class we have Mike Shortt collecting medals again! The A Class is next Mike! Sakkie, Connie, Piet, Cedric and Johan are also in the top 6. Well done to you all.

The J Class is once again won by Charl. Very soon you will have the rifle on your shoulder and "B Class" will show on your score card! Mooi Char!!!!

Thanks must go to the following people who helped out on the range and also the butts.....

Johan Cilliers

Corena de Beer

Bas Barkhuysen

Riaan Coetzee

Francois du Toit

Jason Di Bona

If there is anyone who I forgot to mention, my sincere apologies, I had a rather weird day after the AGM and was not really thinking straight!

The food was excellent! Ronnie and Chris put together two very tasty chicken and vegetable pots. There are some people in the club who do not like vegetables and also refer to chicken as vegetables, but at least 99% of the people who ate this pot really enjoyed it! Making food is sometimes a thankless job, (Guy's just look what your wives have to put up with!) but this was a tasty and well cooked meal. Many thanks to all who had a hand in cooking this meal, especially Ronnie and Chris!

The next shoot, we will be giving our budding cooks a break! I have been told that the next meal will be a venison (Kudu) herb pot with potatoes and veg. This will be served with rice, salad and a bun. It will be a combined effort, with François, Cedric and Riaan flexing their muscles! Let's see if they can put their money where the pot is!!!! I have been told in no uncertain way, that if I interfere I will be fired! I am sure some of you would really like to see me interfere? Come on, admit it!!!!!!



At the AGM people asked about our annual away shoot. Unfortunately we have only had one away shoot in the last 5 years. This is all about to change! We will have one away shoot per year if there is support from all of you.

Here we need a bit of input from everyone who would like to attend another of our memorable away shoots. We need to know on what date you would prefer to have the shoot. It will take place either in September or October. Please drop me a mail with your recommendations.

I shot at a private shooting range in Bonnievale last year. It was spectacular!!! The range is situated on a private farm about 4Km's from Bonnievale. The range has moving frames in the butts and we can shoot up to 500Mtrs. There are plenty guest farms and hotels all around it. If you have not stayed over in Bonnievale, you will enjoy the drive and beauty tremendously! There is a cheese factory, wine farms, curious shops and plenty more for the other half to do during the shoot. We will arrange for our prize-giving and meal at one of the renowned wine farms. A fantastic setting with the most delicious food and wine! Our away shoots are partially sponsored by the club, so we will make sure that it will be a very memorable and affordable outing. After I have evaluated the dates proposed by yourselves, I will draft an invitation to all the members with the various accommodations available, together with the cost of the shoot. This is one away shoot that I am looking forward to and you should not miss! Please note, we will have to sign an indemnity form as the range is not accredited. Please convince your family and friends to attend. The more the merrier!

The Bisley nationals are taking place in Bloemfontein from the 23<sup>rd</sup> to the 31<sup>st</sup> of March. All those shooters who would like to attend, please contact Darryl Carver. I am sure he has some spare room in his notorious tent!!! I must admit, you would have to have a very strong digestive system to sleep there, but on the other hand it has produced quite a few champions! Come on give it a go!!!!

I will be sending a few mails out each month, to keep you all informed about what is happening in your club. Remember, this is YOR club with YOUR ideas. Please communicate your ideas to anyone in the committee and we will try our very best to accommodate you. The only way we will ever get bigger and better, is if we all share our ideas.

It is my intention to grow the club by 10% this year. This can be done very easily. All we need to do is introduce prospective members to attend a shoot. After they see the comradie, food and goodwill, they will join. Let's keep our motto held high. **"This is the best shooting club in Cape Town"**

I would like to thank Darryl and Corena for all their hard work and dedication. Darryl has been Chairman for three years and Corena has been secretary for longer than I can remember! I look forward to seeing you two at our next shoots, where you can relax and look at the committee members running around like headless chickens! I am sure you will enjoy the sight!

Well that just about sums up this newsletter. In future I will be asking various members of the committee and also some of our ordinary members, to have a go at writing the newsletter. It is not as difficult as you would think. Don't worry, I will give you at least 2 weeks to write it!!

I think this way we will have plenty of new ideas to stimulate our shooting. What do think about this?

Lastly, I would like to thank each and every one of you for your commitment and dedication to our wonderful club. Without all of you we would be an empty shell! Come on, give yourselves a pat on the back!

Remember, the entire elected committee are here to serve YOU. If you have any queries or problems whatsoever pertaining to the continued success of our club, please drop me a line. I will discuss it with the committee and we will try our very best to accommodate your requests, all within



reason of course. Let's all join forces and sit in one merry camp! After all, it is our chosen sport that has brought us all together here in the first place.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next shoot and meal. Tell your friends to join us! Please let me know if you will be bringing visitors along, so I can cater for them.

Where in Cape Town can you have such fun with such little expense? If you know of any other activity, please let me know, I would like to join them!

That's all from me for now.

Keep them eyes in and trigger fingers supple.

**Our next event is:**

**Distance: 300Mtrs**  
**Date: 27<sup>th</sup> March 2010**  
**Time: 08:00**  
**Venue: Good Hope Range**  
**Ammo: 15 Rounds**

Yours in safe shooting



Mike

