



E - GAZETTE MK II

New Zealand Antique & Historical Arms Association Inc.

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EDITORIAL

My thanks to all of you who have contributed material for this edition.

As a collector one of the great things about belonging to an organisation such as the NZAHAA is the opportunity to build up a network of friends and contacts willing to share their knowledge. We do this by attending our Branch meetings, guns shows and auctions and the more we travel to events in other areas the wider the network grows..

A typical example of how this network can work was brought home to me recently. An elderly member of my Branch had a WW I German artillery cartridge case that he wanted to know more about, I was able to fire off the details by e-mail to a Taranaki member who I knew had a good collection of German pieces and within a day had an answer back including a photo of the artillery piece in question .

To all of you who willingly share your knowledge with others I say thank you. To all the closet collectors, you are missing out on so much.
Phil

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NEW ZEALAND ARMS REGISTER

WEBSITE NOW LIVE

VISIT

<http://www.armsregister.com/>

The register includes 114 information pages published to date.

This website was constructed for the NZAR by Graham Hampton of the Royal Australian Artillery Association <http://www.artilleryhistory.org/> and went live on 23 March 2013.

If you are willing and able to contribute material to the register you can sign up as a member of the team on the website. Or if you are willing and able to offer some form of support to the register you may join as a supporter. Go to "Join Us"

The website is a work in progress and new material will be added as and when available.

AN INTERESTING BAYONET By Derek Complin © 2013 **New Zealand issue US M1905 bayonet for the M1903 Springfield rifle**

At the 2011 AFCB meeting in Rungis, Paris, I was fortunate enough to find a New Zealand marked US M1905 Springfield bayonet. I wondered how it might have ended up in France.



The following possible explanation came from a collector friend of Phil's. If I may quote : "According to

the NZ Army Museum in Waiouru, the M1903 saw use by some NZ forces in the Pacific Theatre of Operations. Their use was driven by the need for interoperability with US forces/Logistical networks. The main user was the Royal New Zealand Air Force (RNZAF) - ground crews and servicing units. RNZAF units in the Pacific were under the operational command of COMAIRSOPAC.

Other units that were supplied with M1903s included the 1st and 2nd Commando, Fiji Guerillas. Commanded and trained by New Zealand troops these units were supplied by the US on operations.

While NZ did receive some M1903s under lend lease, these were not normally marked as they were not NZ property (the N arrow Z stamp denoted NZ Government ownership). The NZ stamp on rifles most likely denotes use by the RNZAF.



Records from 1942 show the establishment of the Joint Purchasing Board (JPB) which operated under the US-NZ Reciprocal Aid Agreement. This agreement operated alongside, but separate from Lend Lease. The JPB allowed NZ to supply and support US operations in the Pacific and obtain US stores and equipment as partial or as in lieu of cash payment. The stores received became NZ property.

Following the end of WWII the British and the Commonwealth countries in the Pacific renewed the British roots and went back to the .303 calibre arms. Most of NZs non-British standard weapons (M1903s, M1917s, Thompson SMGs, etc.) were shipped to the French in Indo-China in the 1950s."Thus the possibility exists this bayonet came to France via Indo-China.

Some months later I acquired another example. The NZ markings are somewhat different, and only faintly visible. They consist of NZ arrow D and a serial number struck into the grip.

The grips are also finished differently, with a rough, unvarnished treatment, presumably for a better grip. Examples of these bayonets appeared regularly on the US collector market some years back, suggesting they may well have been ordered, but kept in storage and never issued.



Can anybody add further information? Derek Complin, Kingston, Canada, www.bayonetsplus.com

By October 1942 New Zealand had imported 40,000 "American Rifles" which were issued to the Home Guard, it is believed that these were Springfield Model 1903 in 30.06 caliber and presumably were supplied with bayonets. Ref <http://nzetc.victoria.ac.nz/tm/scholarly/tei-WH2-1Hom-c12.html> Ed.

FROM THE GUN ROOM

by Andrew Edgcombe © 2013

Sitting tucked away on a shelf in my gun room is this quite ordinary plywood box which is actually a little nasty produced by Germany during WWII, and is a Schutzenmine 42 (shoe Mine 42). A very simple mine which can be found constructed from wood, ply and compressed cardboard type material. This example is dove tailed ply which makes it an early and well produced example (as crude as it is). These mines could easily take the foot off an unsuspecting soldier and were virtually impossible to find with mine detectors due to the almost complete lack of metallic content other than a couple of nails and parts of the ZugZunder42 (ZZ42) igniter.

Ignition was simple; a slot enabled the lid to pass over the protruding end of the ZZ42 igniter as the mine was trodden on pushing out the safety pin of the fuse instantly detonating a 200g TNT charge. Construction material and methods being what they were I imagine these mines would have been very prone to water damage and would have been effective as a short term item only.



Schu mine front view with ZZ42 igniter protruding

The example depicted has had the pivot nails removed from the lid at some stage of its life which will be replaced when I manage to find some suitable replacements it will again hinge as it should. A previous owner seems to have used this as a storage box in a shed or workshop as it is well paint splattered and stained with grime and grease. After a thorough inspection I was able to locate a WaA inspectors stamp partly obscured by a blob of orange paint, its faint but it is there! No manufacturer's code can be found but I have seen other examples with manufacturer code markings.



Pictured above is the mine with a pen as an indication of scale

These Schu Mines seem to have been a popular souvenir and I have seen a good many surface on ebay featuring war time art work as either personalized service souvenirs or gifts to loved ones which would have been sent home from the European Theatre of Operations.



Charge with igniter

CENTRAL BRANCH GUN SHOW Held in Otorohanga on the 24 February, images by Bill Lowry





Dear Members

In the first two months of this year COLFO has met once as a group and had one meeting with a Police representative. As I write we are preparing for the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) discussion in March. The ATT is an attempt at an International agreement on the transfer of firearms, ammunition and their accessories between countries. It will effect the importation of, and travel with, firearms for many New Zealand owners.

The establishment of a strategy group has been discussed, with four people indicating interest. We are in the process of working out how they will be engaged and the issues the Council will have to prepare for over the next 5 to 10 years.

I would like to thank the members who approached Air New Zealand recently about the firearm transport charges for International travel, introduced late last year. These members pointed out to Air NZ that they were the only carrier applying such a charge, and they could lose support from their customers as a result. To Air NZ's credit, they acknowledged their customers were unhappy with the charge and have reversed their decision. Thank you to all the members, who are also Air NZ customers, who raised their concern. As a direct result of your effort the issue has been resolved quickly.

We have been concerned about the number of firearm owners who have contacted us recently as a result of their license renewal or annual/bi-annual security inspection. There have been instances where owners have felt intimidated or unsure of their rights and obligations in relation to registration of firearms. While we have been able to help some individual situations be resolved, we felt it would help if we outlined your rights and responsibilities when having your security inspected.

The purpose of a security inspection is to ensure firearm owners have the required security for the number and type of firearms they possess. The inspection can be performed by either a police officer or a contracted civilian.

The arms officer is required to check your security is compliant and check the restricted firearms against the list they hold on your file. Restricted firearms are listed by make, model, calibre and serial number. While an officer may ask for these details in relation to other firearms you are under no obligation to give the information. However if you have other firearms the officer is required to check they are secured consistent with the conditions of your license. Officers are not required to get photographs of your security. We recommend you keep a record of the make, model, calibre and serial number of all of your firearms, in case you have to report a loss or theft to the police and your insurance company.

From time to time there may be changes to the security questions you are asked, in line with changes in licensing requirements. The questions should be specific to your security and how you manage risks. If a new risk is identified it should not mean you automatically lose your endorsement. It may mean you should look at what you will do to reduce the risk.

For instance, if you have identified that one of your family has been convicted of a serious crime. You may decide to manage the risk of them having access to your firearms by meeting them away from your home, where your firearms are kept. Or you may decide to change the locks to your garage, or the alarm code, and ensue the area is always locked when they visit. While the response you have will vary depending on the situation, and the risk, the point is - you considered the risk of them having access to your firearms and responded appropriately to reduce that risk.

It is important that as firearm owners we are seen as proactive in ensuring the safety of our families and the wider community, in light of recent events overseas.

Please treat all officers with respect and courtesy, and ask them to treat you the same way. If you believe they have acted in an inappropriate way you can raise the matter with the Police National Manager of Licensing and Vetting, your local police station, COLFO or your club.

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

All the best , Michael Dowling, Chair COLFO

SSANZ News



When the British Government decided to ban what we call MSSAs back in 1987 following the Hungerford mass shooting, there was little opposition, because British Shooting organisations were not united and many thought it was not their problem, and as a consequence hand guns were also banned following the Dunblane school shooting of 1996. What this taught me was that ALL firearms owners need to unite to protect the private civilian ownership of firearms. Thus in 1997/8 when Judge Thorpe produced his report on NZ firearm issues proposing all manner of stricter controls I was pleased to be able to join SSANZ (Sporting Shooters Association of New Zealand), an active lobby group fighting for the preservation of shooters ability to enjoy their sport without further restrictions. SSANZ was also a founding member along with the NZAHAA and other organisations in the forming of COLFO.

I am pleased to say that by rallying its members to write submissions, sign petitions and attend rallies and meetings SSANZ has made a significant contribution to preventing more restrictive legislation being passed by Parliament. Of course SSANZ could only do this with a strong membership base, which in the days of Thorpe numbered several thousand. Sadly with Thorpe and various other Arms Amendment Bills watered down or defeated many firearm owners feel that there is no longer a problem and allow their membership to lapse, leaving the work of SSANZ to a few diehards. As an aside a SSANZ member has also been responsible for drafting the submissions made by NZAHAA to the various Arms Amendment Bills.

I often hear shooters say such things as “I contribute to COLFO (\$3 per year) through my membership of NZAHAA or other organisation, why do I need to belong to SSANZ and what do I get out of it?” When really they should be asking “What can I do to help SSANZ preserve my firearms from those who would take them away”, for rest assured, there will be more legislation to counter before long.

The Arms Trade Treaty has been negotiated at the UN this past month and if ratified by New Zealand will likely see the resurrection of Arms Amendment Bill No 3 or similar legislation. How can we rally the troops to fight this if we don't have a large membership base?

The work of SSANZ is not just about fighting legislation, in the past month we have been pleased to support and contribute to efforts made by others: in persuading Air New Zealand to drop its firearm handling charge, resolving issues around security inspections for licence renewals and backing a proposed new shooting facility in Northland.

SSANZ is committed to working with and through COLFO to achieve positive outcomes for New Zealand firearm owners, however we are also ready to provide a rallying point for firearm owners to stand up and be counted when new legislation needs to be countered.. Will you be there with us?

If you would like to join SSANZ (only \$20 per year) send an e-mail to: oilyrag@xtra.co.nz

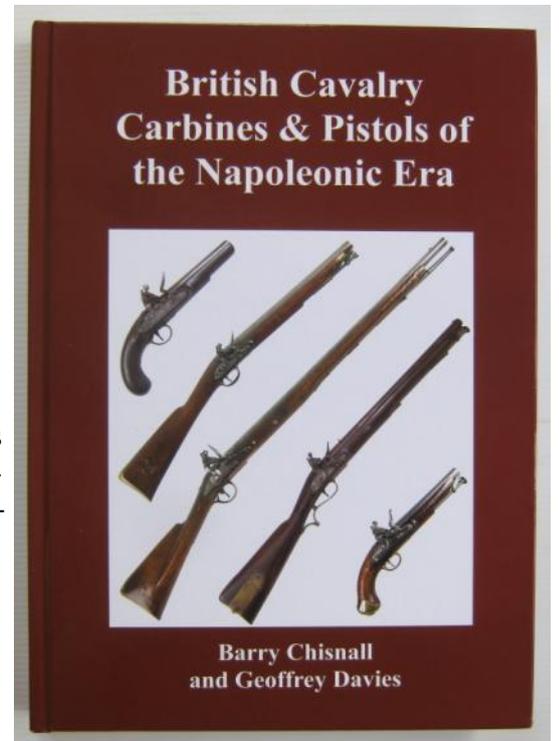
See us at the Auckland Arms Fair 6 & 7 April.

Best regards, Phil Cregeen, President SSANZ

BOOK REVIEW by Phil Cregeen

Barry Chisnall's latest book co-written with Geoffrey Davies will be of value to any collector who is interested in early British flintlock arms. The book is titled "**British Cavalry Carbines and Pistols of the Napoleonic Era**", but covers a greater range than this, providing information on arms from the early 18th Century through to the end of the flintlock in the first half of the 19th Century.

The 218 page book is beautifully presented in hardback cover, heavy gloss paper and contains detailed full colour images of each weapon described. The book commences with a chapter describing the events of the Napoleonic Wars 1793 to 1815, followed by a chapter describing the structure of the British Cavalry. The third chapter covers pre-Napoleonic carbines and is then followed by four more chapters covering Elliott & Royal Foresters carbines, Harcourt & 1796 Heavy Dragoon carbines, Paget carbines and Rifled carbines. Each chapter includes lavish images of the weapons described.



Light Dragoon Carbine of 1756, lock by Grice dated 1761
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1794 Light Dragoon Pistol with a 10 inch barrel
Note the Extra flat lock with ring neck cock. Carbine bore with Ordnance Tower proof marks. Courtesy of Tortuga Trading Inc. (www.tortugatrading.com)

The next four chapters deal with Cavalry pistols, the history of the Volunteers & Yeomanry, carbines and pistols of the post Napoleonic era and Pistols and carbines made in Portugal. The final chapter describes a brief present day trial to compare the accuracy of a number of the carbines. A set of appendices tabulates carbines, pistols and Cavalry Regiments their battle honours and casualties.

I found the book interesting and informative and it has wetted my appetite to collect more of these early military arms.

If there is enough interest I will make another bulk order for members at a cost of \$98.04 inc NZ P & P. Let me know.

The book may be purchase online at: www.britishcarbines.co.uk at a cost of 56 GB Pounds delivered by air mail to NZ.

WEBSITES THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST Ctrl +click or copy and paste into your browser.

How is this for an Arms fair? From Alan Webster.
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QL_3Qg-SADY

The Last B29 in the world flying again. From Dave Craze.
<http://vimeo.com/17388627>

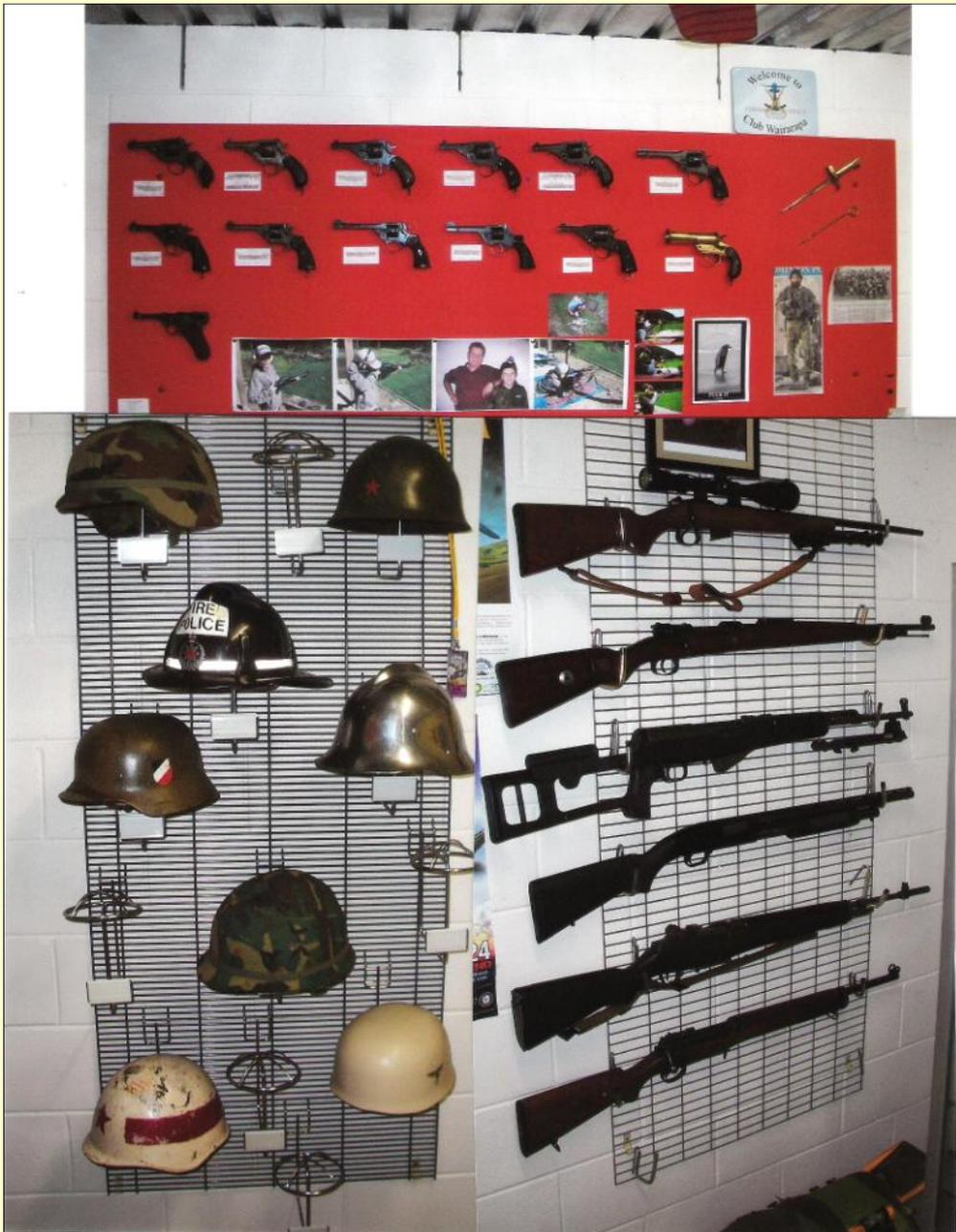
New WWII book tells how Kiwis were murdered after Great Escape. From Dave Craze.
http://www.nzherald.co.nz/kurt-bayer/news/article.cfm?a_id=745&objectid=10869403

Gallery of Guns & Tools. From Darren Hills.
<http://www.pbase.com/halp/root&page=1>

Afghans Rediscover The Lee-Enfield. From Tony Bruce.
<http://www.strategypage.com/dls/articles/Afghans-Rediscover-The-Lee-Enfield-1-22-2009.asp>

Alexander Henry From Tony Bruce.
<http://www.researchpress.co.uk/gunmakers/scotland/henry/index.htm>

A MEMBERS GUN ROOM



MYSTERY OBJECT (below right), answers please to oilyrag@xtra.co.nz

No one guessed last months object (below left) which was Dutch Army issue prescription eye glasses, to be worn inside a gas mask. Note the flexible plastic arms, and loops to fit over your ears.



INFORMATION REQUEST For NZAR

I am still seeking information on this topic, your help would be appreciated:

A significant number of old .22 rifles of various makes and model and some centre fire rifles are seen marked **SP /S** or **SP/ N** on the receiver crown., with a number and quite frequently they have sold out of service marks of opposing broad arrows ><. . Some have also been noted marked **NZ** with broad arrow^.
Here is an example:



We know that these guns were among those impressed for home defence in WW II but were they marked **SP** as part of this exercise or for some other reason before being impressed for war service?
We are seeking documentary evidence as to what these **SP** marks stands for, can you help?

A PLEA TO ALL BRANCH COMMITTEES

**WHEN YOU HOLD AN EVENT OF SIGNIFICANCE,
SUCH AS AN AUCTION, GUN SHOW, TRIP, ETC.**

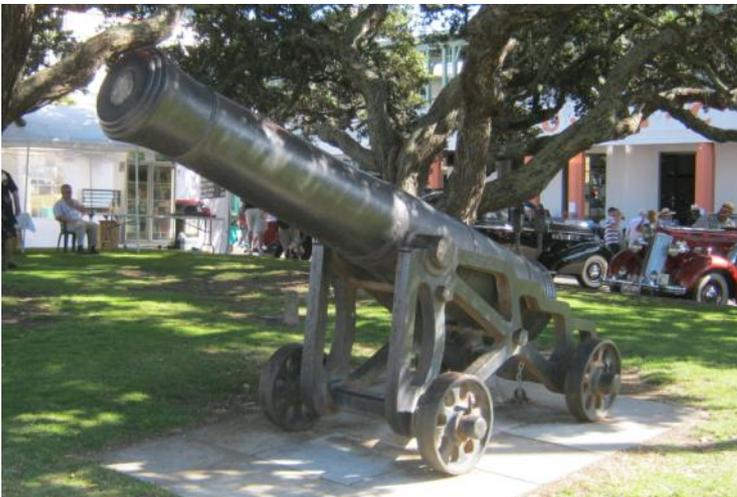
**PLEASE ARRANGE FOR A BRIEF REPORT WITH PHOTOS
TO BE SENT TO THE EDITOR**

**SO OTHERS CAN SEE WHAT IS GOING ON
FOR NZAHAA MEMBERS
AROUND THE COUNTRY**

UP COMING EVENTS - If you have dates for events in 2013 or 2014 please advise oilrag@xtra.co.nz

6 & 7 April	Auckland Arms Fair, Henderson
13 April	NZAHAA AGM & Auction, Invercargill
21 April	Carvell's Auction, Auckland
27 & 28 April	Ted Rogers Militaria Auction, Kilbirnie, Wellington
25 May	Ruahine Branch Gun Show, Feilding
22 June	Whangarei Hunting Shooting and Fishing Show
7 July	Auckland Branch Gun Show, Mt Eden
20 & 21 July	Wellington Branch Auction, Kilbirnie, Wellington
27 July	Mainland Arms & Militaria Gun Show, Christchurch
17 & 18 August	Tauranga Arms & Militaria Show
7 September	NZAHAA HYGM and Ruahine Branch Auction, Feilding
28 & 29 September	Auckland Arms Fair, Henderson
12 & 13 October	Ted Rogers Militaria Auction, Kilbirnie, Wellington

WHERE ARE THE GUNS? Please send details of your local gun to oilrag@xtra.co.nz



24 Pounder Gun on a cast iron Garrison Carriage to be found on Marine Parade, Napier, opposite the Sound Shell.

Guns that have featured in past e-Gazettes may be found featured on the Royal New Zealand Artillery Association website under Look-Read-Record at: <http://www.rnzaa.org.nz/look-read-record>

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Free to advertise for two months.

*FOR SALE Photos opposite

Full size 6lb field cannon built from plans I got from the US in 1995. This pattern of cannon was used extensively by both sides in the American Civil War.

Built entirely from imported hardwoods, Elm wheel hubs, Hickory elm spokes, the wheel felloes & the main trail of the gun are from Purple Heart, a very heavy and durable hardwood so rotting is not a problem.

The barrell is cast iron, with a 4" nb Sched 160 steel liner and is 60" long weight about 450 kg. O/A weight of gun is about 700kg I have never actually weighed it properly.

Gun is 3.0 m long and over 2.0 m wide across the wheels at the top.

Some iron work is cast (towing eye elevator screw box and handle) and some fabricated from and forged by ourselves.

Offers over \$20,000.

Contact :Chris Simpson

09-4322213

021988200

E-mail signman@xtra.co.nz

*FOR SALE OR TRADE : WW II German 98K

Mauser Skeletonised Rifle with two digit serial number. This was a **Factory conversion from a New Rifle, not converted from a Service Issue Rifle**, and came from the collection of the Australian War Memorial in Canberra; (below)



Japanese Type 44 Carbine with Folding Bayonet in near new original condition;(below) Scarce 1929 dated Lithgow SMLE with all matching numbers, and in excellent original condition.



CONTACT : Colin Green, 5 Tiffany Grove, Templestowe, Victoria 3106, Australia.

Phone :61 3 98462070.

Email : colingreenaust@hotmail.com

WANTED : British Commonwealth Trials Rifles especially Pattern 1913, No I MK VI & No 4 Trials Rifles; WW I Lattey, Gibbs, Martin, and similar Optical Sights; Rifle Grenade Cups & Spigots, and Wire Cutters & Breakers.

CONTACT : Colin Green, 5 Tiffany Grove, Templestowe, Victoria 3106, Australia.

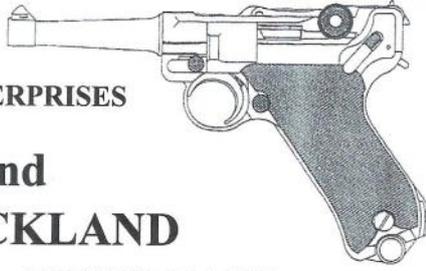
Phone :61 3 98462070.

Email : colingreenaust@hotmail.com

WANTED Genuine WWII era Fairbairn Sykes knives, First Pattern & Second Pattern. Will pay top money for top quality knives. Brian McLeary, hbarns@clear.net.nz
Phone 06-843 2209

***WANTED** a bolt for a 7.62 x 54R Mosin Nagant
Contact: John Hinchco jf_and_t@hotmail.com

WANTED BAYONET to fit Bar on Band model Snider, Yataghan or straight, any condition considered.
Contact S W Robinson Phone 03 570 5762



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NZ Antique and Historical Arms Assn Inc

2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND AUCTION

The Southland Branch will be hosting the
National AGM and Auction on

Saturday the 13th of April 2013

Invercargill Workingmen's Club
154 Esk St Invercargill.

Viewing from 8.00am

AGM 10.00 followed by Auction

Buyers Commission 7.5%

Correspondence to:

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P.O.Box 5110, Invercargill.

Email: david.l.k@xtra.co.nz

Phone enquiries regarding delivery of auction lots
to:

Deon at 032165156 (Daytime)

MANAWATU RUAHINE DISTRICT GUN SHOW

Run by Ruahine Branch of NZAHAA Inc.

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9am-5pm
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AUCTION 2013

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Saturday 7 September 2013

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For further information please contact.

Auction Convenor: Tony Mathews 06 374 9164
Email ruahineauction@hotmail.co.nz

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Kawerau Town Hall
Islington Street, Kawerau
1st & 2nd June 2013

10am—3pm

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