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EDITORIAL

New Zealand has some of the most practical and sensible firearms laws in the world, so it should be of great concern to us all that a recent poll commissioned by TVNZ indicated that 83% of our population think our gun laws should be tougher. No doubt this perception has been encouraged by all the media hype around gun laws in the USA, and a number of shooting incidents here. It is apparent that criminals are resorting to the use of firearms more frequently and so too are the Police with often serious consequences. Hardly a week goes by without images of AOS officers in black locking down some neighbourhood appearing on our TV News. Little wonder that the public at large are nervous about guns.

It is up to us as responsible firearm owners to do all we can to counter this negative public perception of firearms and counter the often biased stories that appear in our media.

Please give some thought to the advice on this topic in COLFO News on page 15.

A plea to Branch officials - please send me photos and reports of your events.

My thanks to all of you who have contributed to this issues,

Phil

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Here you can research the arms used by New Zealand Military and Police.

New Info Pages being worked on

Back issues of the e-Gazette will be found in the Articles section.



Two New Zealand Heritage Smith & Wesson Revolvers, by Dr John Osborne MG DTT PhD FSG



Compare the sizes of the .22" Model M and .455" New Century Triple Lock Military revolver.

Smith & Wesson First Model M, Hand Ejector, Calibre .22" Rim Fire Long, 3" Barrel, Nickel Finish, Bakelite Grips, Seven Chamber Cylinder, only 4575 were made between 1902 and 1906, also later known as the Lady Smith. The .22 long cartridge introduced in 1871 had a 29grain lead bullet and 5 grains of black powder, muzzle velocity of about 1100fps and quite effective at close range.

New Zealand Service: Used by a large business in Napier, NZ for protection of the company's property and monies on escort duty, particularly when large sums of cash were taken to deposit in the bank and on employee payday a large amount of cash was transported from the bank to the business where the accountant would then make up the pay packets in cash for each employee who had to collect and sign for their weekly pay. Later under the 1920 Arms Act the Police issued a "Licence to Carry a Pistol" to the company manager who could authorize any member of his staff to carry the pistol. Also later pursuant to regulation 74 of the Traffic Regulations 1956 the Police issued a permit to operate a motor vehicle in which a loaded pistol was carried. Most other makes of .22" and .32" calibre small revolvers were also used for this purpose, sold by local arms dealers.



British proof and opposing arrows sale marks



S & W New Century In 1914 Britain contracted S&W to supply 5,000 New Century .455" (triple Lock) revolvers at a cost US\$21 each. Designated; **Pistol Smith & Wesson .455 with 6 1/2 inch barrel Mark 1**, it was introduced into British service on 5th July 1915 to supplement the standard-issue revolver which at the outbreak of WWI was the Webley Mk V adopted 9 December 1913. Between 1907 and 1915 Smith & Wesson, made a total 15,376 solid frame triple locks (all calibres) including the British order, Barrel: 6.5". Calibre: chambered for.455" MKI cordite (long) & MKII cordite (short). Length O/A: 11.5". Double Action, 6 chamber swing out cylinder hand eject. Grips: Square butt - two piece walnut. Fixed notch rear sight and oval blade foresight. Weight: 2lb 6oz unloaded. Cartridge: The solid drawn brass case Mark II .455 cartridge (image above) introduced in 1897 with a case length of .760", a 265 grain conical wax lubricated lead bullet, Muzzle velocity: 640ft/s Range 50yds. Rate of fire: 20-30 rounds per minute.

New Zealand Service: Commissioned officers and some NCO's in the NZ military were expected to purchase their own pistols - note; on images private sale - two opposing arrows. In the trenches in 1915 concerns that dirt between the ejector rod and shroud caused the triple lock to malfunction making the revolver temporarily inoperable, so S&W changed to the MKII design removing the shroud and third lock, which also simplified manufacturing allowing a US\$2 price reduction. This S&W MKI New Century Revolver has a NZ provenance seeing service with its NZ Commissioned Officer owner in WWI and WWII.





S&W Trade Marks on frame and grips

Acknowledgements and special thanks to Phil Cregeen FSG, Noel Taylor FSG, Osborne Arms Museum, 'Revolvers of the British Services, 1854-1954' by Chamberlain and Taylerson , https://en.wikipedia.org/ American Rifleman,

W.H. Hazard and his Virginia. By Harold Kidd

First published in Boating New Zealand October 2016. Included here because many firearm owners are also hunters and fishermen and W. H. Hazard is a well known historical New Zealand name.



Col. Hazard beside Virginia on the slip

William Henry Hazard was a major figure in Auckland's military, sporting and business life in the period from 1895 until his early death at the age of 49 in 1921. His father, William Henri Hazard, was born in Calais of English parents, grew up in Jersey and served in the Royal Navy during the Crimean War. After fighting for Garibaldi in Italy, he arrived in New Zealand in 1866 and set up a fishing tackle and gunsmithing business in Queen Street, Auckland, then at Brown Street, Grahamstown on the Thames goldfields in 1868, later returning to Queen Street in 1876. W.H. Hazard Sr was a keen fisherman and an excellent shot at a time when those skills were valued for putting food on colonial tables and preparing for any warfare in which the British Empire might get engaged (which was frequently). He was also a Captain in the Volunteers, the paramilitary forces set up to defend the country from invasion by the Russians, a far-fetched idea from our perspective, but real at the time following the Crimea and the recent Russian occupation of part of Afghanistan which threatened India, the jewel of the Empire.

The Queen Street business became the most enterprising of the city's sporting goods retailers, specialising in guns of all sorts, farmers' shotguns and .22 "pea-rifles", revolvers for personal protection and hunting and target rifles. The firm imported and manufactured a wide range of



W.H. Hazard's shop in Queen Street (arrowed), c1912

fishing tackle and featured a popular shooting gallery. W.H. Hazard Jr, born at Thames in 1872, took over the business when his father died in 1899. He too was an excellent shot and was a member of the New Zealand team at Bisley in England in July 1897, shooting for the Queen's Prize during the Jubilee Celebrations. Like his father, he was an enthusiastic Volunteer. He joined A Battery of the Field Artillery as a gunner and later became an officer in the Territorials. By1914 he had risen through the ranks to Lieutenant-Colonel in the Garrison Artillery, commanding the Auckland forts. He finished the war in 1918 with the very important role as Commander of Coastal Defence.

Like his father, W.H. Hazard was a very keen fisherman. He was also president of the Auckland Acclimatisation Society which conserved introduced trout and gamebird stocks. In the winter of 1909 Hazard commissioned the launch *Virginia* from Tyler and Harvey of Custom Street West. She was a 35 footer with 8ft beam, a canoe-sterned launch in the high style typical of Logan Bros who had only just ceased business. When launched she had a 12hp Sterling engine which Hazard later upgraded to a 25-35hp 4 cylinder model. As Vice-Commodore of the influential New Zealand Power Boat Association, Hazard used *Virginia* for Club events, racing and cruising, including extended cruises in company with other big launches of the day like W.R. Twigg's *Sybil*, Arthur Brett's *Alleyne*, Walter Bailey & Bill Lowe's *Princess*, W.J. Wilson's *Ione* and W.H. Worrall's *Kirita*.

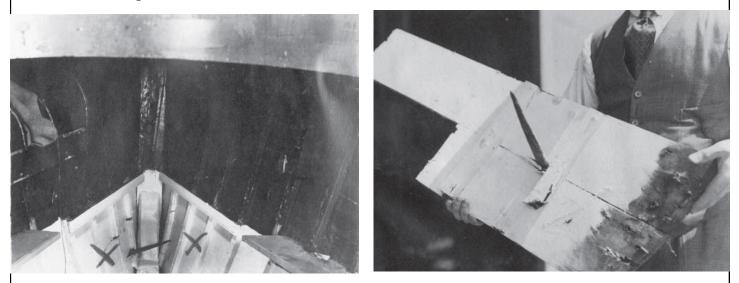
After August 1914 Col. Hazard used *Virginia* little because of his military duties, but had Bailey & Lowe keep her in commission. In February 1918 he took a party consisting of Dr Pope and

E. P. Andreas of Sydney to the Bay of Islands on a fishing expedition. While after kingfish off Cape Brett, one of the party hooked a sword-fish "probably weighing 300 to 400lb". The *New Zealand Herald* reported, "The fish, on being hooked, made straight for the launch, broached at about 10yds away, and re-entering the water rammed the launch, the sword penetrating 9in through the 1in kauri planking. After a struggle the sword broke, and the fish, still on the rod, made for the sea. After being held for another five minutes or so the line became entangled and broke, and the fish disappeared. The launch was found to be leaking badly, and the party had to put back to Russell in quick time. The launch was beached for repairs. The piece of sword was found inside the boat. This is stated to be the first instance known in New Zealand where a swordfish has attacked a boat, and it adds a spice of interest and danger to the splendid fishing which may be obtained all along the northern coast."

The dramatic event was widely reported, making interesting newspaper copy at a time characterised by grim war tidings and lengthy casualty lists. Col. Hazard left the broken sword in place and motored *Virginia* back to Auckland where the planking was cut out and replaced. Over a fortnight afterwards, another Russell fishing party caught the swordfish and sent it down to Auckland on the SS *Clansman* as a present for Hazard.



The swordfish re-united with its sword in Auckland. Col. Hazard with the gear that was used



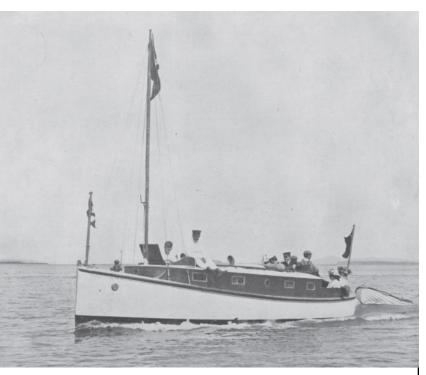
Left: Inside the bows of *Virginia* with the sword marked by crosses. Right: *Virginia*'s planking with the broken-off sword in place.

In October 1921 Col. Hazard was admitted to Mater Hospital for a minor operation but died on 18th October of heart failure. One of his sons, William Henri Hazard, his grandfather's namesake, took over the running of the business and of *Virginia* for a while. A year later his mother Mary Alice Hazard advertised the launch for sale at £750, a colossal price at the time.

The *Virginia* incident captured the imagination of local fisherman and was a catalyst for the postwar development of the game-fishing grounds off the Bay of Islands and Whangaroa. The international competition for trophy game-fish, based mainly in the U.S., fuelled the desire to explore the

resources of the sea. The local launch owners, particularly the Fullers with *Doris, Phyllis* and later *Miss Brett,* began adapting their commercial craft for game-fishing.

Aucklanders joined in the pursuit too. The Warne brothers, Leon and George, moved their boatbuilding operation to Russell from St. Mary's Bay on the Waitemata and set up a game-fishing charter business with their fast launch *Rosemary*. Harold Vipond followed with his *Ozone*. These launches soon had competition from a series of purpose-built 35ft game boats designed and built by Collings & Bell in St. Mary's Bay based on Chas Collings' designs for whale chasers



Virginia soon after launching in 1909.

they had built for the Marlborough Sounds and Whangaruru. These were high-powered squarebilge planing hulls, *Otehei, Alma G, Zane Grey, Manaaki, Lorna Doone* and *Avalon*. The industry boomed with visits by celebrated overseas anglers like Zane Grey and Alma Baker and many others, establishing Russell and Whangaroa as major international game-fishing centres.

Back to the launch which triggered the whole thing; *Virginia* remained unsold in the Hazard family's hands in Auckland until December 1925 when W. B. Orr bought her and took her to Tauranga, intending to use her to investigate whether or not there could be game-fishing off Mayor Island comparable to the Northland grounds.

In early January 1926 a number of Bay of Plenty launches congregated at Mayor Island and proved to everyone's satisfaction that the sport of game-fishing was viable there. *Virginia* was soon joined by *Kingfish, Naomi, Severn, Dauntless* and others, providing for local and overseas sportsmen and sportswomen an attractive alternative fishing experience to the developed Northland east coast game-fishing centres, with camps on that amazing Mayor Island. In early 1927 John Mowlem arrived in Tauranga from Wellington and bought *Virginia*. Boatbuilder Charlie Millett rebuilt her cabin top, adding a clerestory, and skippered her for Mowlem who also ran *Naomi* as a charter boat with Barney Hilditch as skipper.

Virginia continued at her game-fishing trade until at least World War 2. I lose track of her then and would dearly love to know her subsequent history. She was faithfully built out of the finest kauri and could easily have survived. It's entirely possible that she soldiers on under a new name like many others built at the time, almost indestructible!

I wish to thank Peter Wakeman for several of the images in this article. They come from the Heather family collection.

FROM THE GUN ROOM by Andrew Edgcombe

The 105mm L5 Pack Howitzer was designed and built in Italy by OTO Mellara and was originally known as the Model 56. The L5 was very light and portable and could be easily transported over rough terrain. The L5 was light enough to be slung underneath the Iroquois helicopter.

4,200 units were produced between 1957 and 1984 the L5 was adopted by many countries throughout the world. The weapon has seen action in many combat areas, including use by New Zealand Gunners in South Vietnam. Normal crew was seven men and the L5 could fire a wide range of ordinance including High Explosive, High Explosive Anti Tank, Smoke and Illumination rounds. Maximum range was in the vicinity of 10,000 Meters.



New Zealand Purchased a total of 24 L5's, 4 of these guns were deployed in Vietnam with 161 Battery RNZA. The L5 pictured here resides opposite the cenotaph in New Plymouth facing out over the Tasman Sea, this gun was at one time on display outside the old RSA in New Plymouth and was refurbished as part of a joint venture by the RSA, New Plymouth District Council and the NZDF. Its great to see the gun out on display and looking so tidy. Lets hope it gets regular maintenance due to the harsh costal environment.



OUT OF THE WOODWORK by Andrew Edgcombe

From time to time a little gem will surface out of the woodwork or in this case the wardrobe, this .450 Adams MkIII revolver recently cropped up locally. It will be a project for the new custodian and even though it looks rough from years of neglect as a sleeper (now registered). There was a lot rust covering the gun and splattered white paint on the grips and metal work, maybe some kids painted it years ago or it was just in the way during painting. Someone has had a scratch at the metalwork in an effort to uncover some of the markings, thankfully nothing to intrusive.

Currently the gun is stripped and soaking in oil to soften the rust and will receive a gentle clean before reassembly after some missing parts are located. The MkIII Adams was the first centre fire revolver in British service, previous marks having been percussion revolvers. This one is a commercial model having been purchased as a presentation piece. Cylinder engraving states it was presented to a Sergeant of the Royal Engineers in November 1874. Quite an interesting historical item with plenty of research potential.





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Do you find it hard to say what your favourite gun is? I do, because it changes all the time but usually it is a fairly recent acquisition. What I like about this gun is that until I bought it I had never seen one before, so that set me off researching the internet to find out all about it. The other thing was that when I bought it, it was missing a vital part, namely the trigger group. This lead to a new quest to track down the missing part. Having borrowed one from a local branch member I made a wooden dummy for display purposes and then fabricated a fully functioning version, necessary in order to disassemble the gun. Finally I tracked down a real trigger group that was surplus to another members requirements. So you see this BESA MG has provided me with quite a bit of research and opportunity to re use skills I learned as an apprentice many years ago.



Original Mk II Trigger group

Home made functioning trigger

Wooden dummy

The other thing I like about this gun is its good solid engineering and reliable reputation. Wouldn't it be fun to have a shoot, if only we were allowed!

BESA MG

Calibre: 7.92 mm. Bore: 4 groove RH twist, 29.0 in. Barrel length: OA Length: 43.5 in. Weight: 47-54Lb. Type of Action: gas operated; Cyclic rate: 500 - 800 rpm; Magazine: 225 round metal link belt. Sights: Telescopic.

For more information See article on the BESA in June 2016 Gazette

Do you have a favourite gun?

Please send a photo and tell us about it.

BAYONET QUERY

Two Italian Emergency Bayonets of WW1 by Marco Cornuda - E-Gazette No 66 July 2016

Is the second bayonet really an Italian bayonet for the Vetterli-rifle?

I have a similar example in my collection that fit's for the SMLE Mk. III. On the crossguard of my bayonet is a stamp "RI". An Italian collector told me, that they were made for the Italian Navy in the 50s.

Regards Melanie Zimmer

Marco Replies



See the above image.

From the top:

Italian mod. 1891 modified for Vetterli rifle (note the distance of the muzzle ring from the hilt and the muzzle ring diameter)

Italian mod. 1891 modified for the Enfield P 14 (note the distance of the muzzle ring from the hilt, the muzzle ring diameter and the longer hilt)

Italian blade of mod. 1891 with a socket of Lee Enfield n. 4 MK I (for the Italian Navy).

Second and third bayonets are marked RI for Repubblica Italiana (Italian Republic) and were used on rifles given from the English Army to the new Italian Army after the second World War.

Best wishes from Italy. Marco

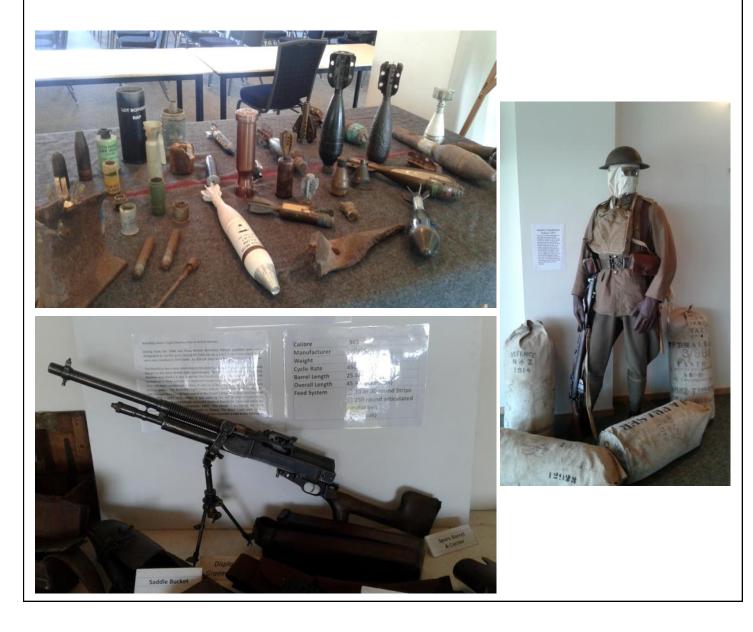
2016 HYGM and Management Committee Meeting

by Andrew Edgcombe, images from Tony McKinnon

As always it was great to catch up with fellow members of the NZAHAA Management Committee for our Half Yearly General Meeting held recently in Christchurch. After being collected from the airport by Frank who picked up all the reps and delivered them to their accommodation and then on to the venue (thanks Frank) we commenced with the Management Committee meeting. The meeting was constructive with a good deal of discussion had on the Select Committee Inquiry into the Illegal Possession of Firearms in New Zealand and the Arms Act Review currently underway.

Membership is looking good at 894 members with numbers slowly increasing with an additional 33 members admitted to the fold at the HYGM. The Publications committee delivered a report on the Gazette and e-gazette which are to their usual high standard due to the efforts of Editor Phil Cregeen. Articles as always are in demand so don't be shy about getting creative and sharing your knowledge. The Gazette is your magazine and relies on your input to make it great.

The formalities of the Saturday meeting were completed with the delivery of Publications, COLFO and Presidents reports as outlined above. A good turn out from Canterbury branch and further afield put on some outstanding displays in the exhibition area including an outstanding display featuring WWI kit bags which are absolute gems, .303 Hotchkiss portative and accessories including a scarcely seen loading tool, Imperial German items and a superb MG08 sporting its water jacket armour. This was followed by a Mickey Mouse style auction where there were no doubt some little gems to be had. Thanks to Canterbury branch for all your time and effort, as always it was great to spend a little time in the Canterbury region.



COLFO REPORT By Andrew Edgcombe

This has been a very active year for COLFO, we have had the privilege of hosting members of the Select Committee at a range day with COLFO representatives and guests .We were there representing all factions of the hunting, shooting and collecting fraternity's. Representation at the Police Community Firearms Forum meetings continues with the meetings seemingly becoming more constructive for all concerned. COLFO made an excellent well researched and referenced submission to the Select Committee on the illegal possession of firearms in New Zealand. COLFO has had representation at world forums on the sustainable use of lead ammunition, a subject that may well become a real issue here if we become complacent. COLFO is an organisation that is behind not just NZAHAA but all 241,000 firearms licence holders. COLFO is there for us all and even though we are all members by default thanks to the NZAHAA COLFO membership I would urge you to consider an individual membership or even a branch donation to bolster the strength of COLFO. As an organisation if COLFO can be seen to have good cash reserves it gives strength to any argument we enter into and should the need arise for legal action costs will be astronomical.

COLFO REPRESENTATIVE VIEWPOINT

Currently firearms owners are under scrutiny, by Police, Government and due to a great deal of negative press the general public. The Media Works purchase of a firearm or more to the point obtaining a firearm by deception brought about changes to the mail order purchase system and no doubt helped initiate the Select Committee enquiry relating to the illegal possession of firearms in New Zealand and sensationalized press reports of firearms incidents are doing us no favours and somehow parallels are being drawn between us and the United States regarding ownership of such \square evil \square implements as the AR15 rifle.

We all had the chance to make submissions and with some 241,000 firearms license holders in New Zealand there were less than 100 submissions put forward. This equates to roughly 0.04149377593360996 % of license holders, not even a drop in the bucket. Most collectors and shooters prefer to fly under the radar and would rather not rock the boat, which to a degree is understandable. Now more than ever we need our voice to be heard, I urge you to visit your local MP and discuss firearms issues or concerns, maybe invite them to a branch meeting or event to speak on the subject and engage with the people that any change to current legislation would directly effect. Possibly you have an influential relationship with one or more of these people and could push our cause a little (or a lot). Most importantly we need to demonstrate safe and responsible ownership and use of firearms, validate what we do and why we do it. Remain vigilant and follow the letter of the law, ensure you understand the law as the onus is on you to know the law; ignorance of the law is no excuse. A prime example being the recent illicit purchases of pistols in Wanganui and Tauranga using only an application for a permit to procure and a false license reflects poorly on us all.

A lot of the issues being looked into may go beyond the scope of the interests many of us have, you may not be interested in MSSA's or C class firearms but it is all relative and any restrictions or proposed changes that go unchallenged could well pave the way for restrictions in other areas, all disciplines and interests need to stand together as a unified front. We all need to take this on board, don't sit back and expect someone to do it for you as the more that take the initiative and make the effort the better for us all in the long run. Remember its always easy for legitimate owners to be restricted than fix the actual issues as we are traditionally a soft target that will easily generate a result which will be to the satisfaction of the general public yet solve nothing.

Ask yourself, do you or have you enjoyed being able to hunt, shoot or collect firearms with the correct license and security requirements fulfilled and having been vetted as a fit and proper person largely uninhibited? Would you like this to continue, not just for yourself but also for future generations of firearms enthusiasts? I know I would.

Information is filtered back to the membership via your branch rep or the e gazette and is discussed at AGM and the HYGM, you should all be well informed and up to date. If you have any queries or concerns don't hesitate to email or call me.

Andrew Edgcombe NZAHAA COLFO representative

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Select Committee Inquiry into Illegal Possession of Firearms

COLFO Chairman Paul Clark made an oral submission to the Select Committee Inquiry on 10 August. He was followed by other Board members who made submissions on behalf of their own organisations on 10 and 17 August, each taking the opportunity to reinforce their written submissions, and counter adverse claims made by others. Our impression is that our submissions were well received by the committee, who asked searching questions.

We are now awaiting the Select Committee to make its report to Parliament. It should be noted that any recommendations made are not binding on the Government of the day but may lead to further legislation in due course, at which time there will be further opportunity for all firearm owners to make comment.

Going Global

ATT Conference in Geneva

In August COLFO was represented at the UN Conference on the Arms Trade Treaty in Geneva by Grant F. His full report may be viewed on the COLFO website, <u>http://colfo.org.nz</u>. in summary he said: I am in <u>no</u> <u>doubt</u> this is a worthwhile activity. Merely being there is worth a huge amount and puts us in a much more credible position with the battles to come. Having been involved at this level strongly adds to our credibility and should be reinforced in our future dealings with any changes to the Arms Act.

I observed that there was nothing discussed that makes internal registration "best practice" despite what Professor Gillespie says. We can now say hand on heart that there is no international obligation to register. (Not that international law is binding unless ratified internally, as is the case with, say, The Geneva Conventions Act).

The ATT is designed to regulate the supply of small arms to restrict the ability of states and non-states parties to commit breaches of International Humanitarian Law (war crimes in other words). A signatory must report to the registry its sales and import of arms, and assess if the weapons sold will be used to carry out war crimes.



The ATT in its preamble in several sections recognises the legitimate sale of sporting and historical arms, nor is it designed to interfere with domestic law. Having said that, there is still the possibility that the ATT could, however well meaning, have an effect on the supply of sporting arms and, more-over, ammunition. I see ammunition as really the battle-ground in the future.

Sustainable Hunting Conference in Australia

Also in August Board member Nicole McKee accompanied by NZDA President Bill O'Leary attended the SSAA sponsored Conference on Sustainable Hunting in Australia.

The conference itself was held over three days. There were 72 presenters of which 10 were Keynote Speakers. The program consisted of these presenters delivering over 7 sessions. Session headings included: Human Dimensions of Sustainable Use; Wild Resource Management; Wildlife Policy and Regulation; Use and Control of Vertebrate Pests; Non-Consumptive Sustainable Use; Sustainable Indigenous use of Wildlife and Wildlife Trade and Commercial Use.



The COLFO delegates met with SSAA for their formal meeting, where each organisation updated the other on the state of current affairs and committed to assisting each other with issues we face. A full report from Nicole may be viewed at <u>http://colfo.org.nz</u>

World Forum for Shooting Activities (WFSA)

In early November Board member Phil Cregeen will attend the annual meeting of WFSA, in Phoenix Arizona, where it is anticipated that COLFO will be asked to host the 2017 meeting here in New Zealand.

Sika Show

COLFO will have a stand at this year's Sika Show in Taupo on 24 & 25 September. Barrister Nicholas Taylor will be in attendance to offer free legal advice on firearms matters each morning between 10.00-12.00pm.

Public Perception

A recent poll commissioned by TVNZ indicated that 83% of New Zealanders favour tougher gun laws. Of course they did not specify what "Tougher gun laws" actually mean and we doubt whether many of those questioned know either let alone what laws apply to licensed firearm owners now.

However what this polls shows is that the New Zealand public at large has been persuaded by sensational and often biased media reporting that our firearms laws are lax. Invariably the media publish statements made by those opposed to firearm ownership but steadfastly refuse to publish counter arguments.

What we all need to do is counter this adverse perception at every opportunity. Explain that our current laws are effective and law abiding firearm owners are not the problem; that invariably gun crimes are committed by unlicensed individuals who show no regard for any laws; that tougher gun laws will most certainly divert police resources away from combating real criminal activity and have them focusing new restrictions on law abiding people.

This is how YOU can get the message out: talk to your MP and local politicians; write to newspapers challenging stories that call for "tougher gun laws"; and most important of all make submissions concerning any new changes to the Arms Act when you're called upon to do so.

If we could get more support we could be more effective – worldwide

MYSTERY OBJECT (below right), answer please to <u>oilyrag@xtra.co.nz</u>

Last month (below left), No-one attempted to even guess what these items were. All are associated with the Oerlikon Gun; 1) Cleaning rod end, 2) Stuck case extractor, 3), Firing pin, hammer and bolt face, 4) Spanner for double loading stop bush and two shoulder strap ends.



From the Web, cut and paste the link or ctrl+click

Remington Bi-centenary from John Osborne.

https://www.remington.com/country/videos/4911362816001/the-making-of-the-remington-custom-bicentennial-collection

Superhero or super villain? Soldiers dressed for futuristic battlefield from Tony Bruce.

http://www.news.com.au/technology/innovation/superhero-or-supervillain-soldiers-dressed-for-futuristic-battlefield/storyfnjwubd2-1226749630115

Heritage Rescue: Tauwhare sees active duty from Tony Bruce.

http://www.habitatbyresene.co.nz/news/heritage-rescue-tauwhare-sees-active-duty/? utm content=newsletter&utm campaign=habitat of the week newsletter&utm source=habitat of the week&utm medium=emai

If you haven't been before this little museum is well worth a visit, you will also see Andy exhibiting his vehicles at events such as Armistice in Cambridge. Ed



Military Heritage Festival Day at Auckland War Memorial Museum

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UP COMING EVENTS - If you have dates for events in 2016 please advise <u>oilyrag@xtra.co.nz</u> 2016

- 25 September Military Heritage Day, Auckland War Memorial Museum
- 8 & 9 October Rogers Militaria Auction, Kilbirnie
- 29 & 30 October Western Front Military Weekend, Kumeu
- 5 & 6 November Taranaki Gun Show, New Plymouth
- 12 & 13 November Armistice in Cambridge.
- 13 November Carvell's Auction, Auckland

Time to think about dates for 2017, if they are already booked please let me know.

- 2 April South Canterbury Branch Auction, Timaru
- 10 June SSANZ Guns Show , Whangarei
- 15 & 16 July Wellington Branch Auction, Kilbirnie
- 23 September NZAHAA HYGM and Auction, Wellington

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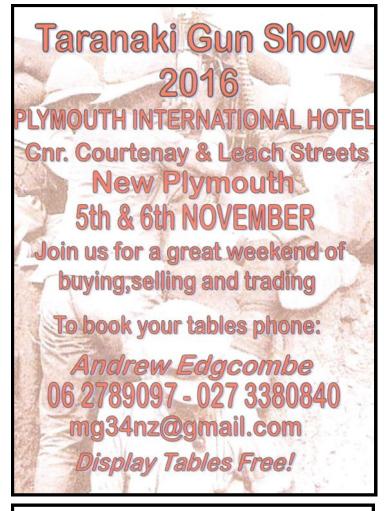
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