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EDITORIAL

Congratulations to Andrew Edgcombe and Mike Mc Cormick as they assume the mantle as our President and Vice President respectively. We wish them a successful tenure as the leaders of our Association.

As you should be well aware the Law and Order Select Committee has published its report into the Inquiry into the Illegal Possession of Firearms by Criminals and Gangs (see COLFO and SSANZ pages for comment on this). The committee chose to focus on proposing more regulation for the law abiding licensed firearm owner rather than tacking the real issue of drugs and gangs. I urge you all to make your views known to your local MP and the Minister of Police at the very least.

COLFO and SSANZ along with others will be working hard to counter these proposals, but you need to do your bit too. Remember it is an election year, it only needs about a 2.5 % swing in votes away from National for an anti - gun Labour/Green coalition to form the next government. Use your party vote wisely.

My thanks to those who have contributed to the issue.

Best wishes ,

Phil

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New Info Pages being worked on

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

BSA m1907 Bolt Action Folding .22 RF Rifle

By Dr John Osborne MG,PhD,FSG



A well made BSA .220" LR, 19" heavy barrel, single shot folding rifle, patent no 19947 of 1907 and the bolt patent 14373 of 1907 fitted with 50 and 100 yard flip up aperture sights. Stock is recessed for barrel and trigger guard to make it as compact as possible when folded. The BSA trade mark of 3 piled rifles is alongside the Birmingham Proof Mark at breech. The Bolt is also proof marked on the ball. The rifle is folded by sliding the release catch backwards; catch can be seen at rear of action. Firing pin is cocked on closing bolt or by pulling knob back if on safe. Foresight has horizontal screw adjustment. This rifle like most other .22" and .303" rifles in civilian ownership at the time was requisitioned by the New Zealand Government for military training purposes during WWII, most were returned to the owners at wars end. It has no New Zealand Government marks. The rifles serial No 15829 is marked on the barrel and underside of bolt lever arm.



The fold down aperture sights are marked 50 and 100 yards refer image above and are held in place by a flat leaf spring.



Conservation and restoration completed

Ethical Considerations: the aim is to preserve and reveal the historical, aesthetic and functional value of this arm. The processes and methods used are based upon respect for remaining original material. NZSG Standards.

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NZ WWII Home Guard Grenade Dischargers by Noel Taylor ED** RNZIR Major (Retd)

During my research into the AFV Smoke Grenade Discharger held by the Auckland Museum, see: - <http://www.aucklandmuseum.com/collections-research/collections/search/?k=a7122>

I had occasion to enter into discussions with the National Army Museum (NAM) Waiouru as I recalled from when I was working there on my Terminal Army Posting some years ago they had something similar in their collection. Assistant Curator, Weapons and Ammunition was very helpful sending photos and comments which with his permission is now being shared with our wider readership.

WWII Japanese threats to New Zealand created the formation of a Home Guard mainly from former WWI soldiers, equipment was in short supply and rifles were impressed from the civilian population to arm them. In many country workshops with practical Kiwi number 8 wire practicality gave rise to a number of weapons to assist in the defence, like hand grenades (featured earlier by a member) and two of these weapons are featured below.



The first one (above) is based on a ME AC Action by HRBC 1897 converted from a 1883 Martini Enfield Rifle body and is interesting in that it is constructed similar to a Mortar on a Base Plate that allows for a small traverse left and right but does not have the Gas Port adjustments for range as we see on the SMLE Grenade Discharger Cups.



The second example (above) is rather different but still retains the ability for minor left and right traverse on a Bipod stand. It is catalogued: ‘ “Spencer-Cunningham” Home Guard Grenade Launcher made from a modified Mauser action.’ Museum investigations believe it to be a 12 g bolt action based on a Saerls shotgun.

The use of a 12g Shot Gun type cartridge no doubt arises from the use of similar as the primary in the base of the 3 inch Mortar Round of WWII and beyond.

My thanks to the National Army Museum for their willing assistance with information, photos and permission to share with members.

NZAHAA AGM and Taranaki Branch Auction 8 April 2017

Despite a change in venue due to the New Plymouth Club cancelling the booking at short notice, Taranaki Branch did an excellent job of securing a new and possibly better venue at the Race Course. A good number of members attended eager to participate in the auction with viewing held on the Friday evening and early Saturday morning.

The AGM commenced at 9.30 am with various sub committee reports. Steve Privett standing down after a three year term as president advised that he had been able to visit all Branches and the Association was in good financial shape with a strong membership, he thanked the committee for their efforts and support.

Prizes were awarded for the postal shoot, see next page, and the Scott Rose Bowl - Literary Award went to John Osborne for his article on The Transition to Self Reliance in Hawkes Bay.

There being no other nominations Andrew Edgcombe (Taranaki) was elected President and Mike McCormick (Ruahine) Vice.

The auction got underway about 10.20 with Ted Rogers officiating, you have all seen the catalogue and prices realised. Taranaki Branch is to be congratulated on running a smooth and efficient operation.



**Our new Vice President and President
Mike McCormick Andrew Edgcombe
President's Cannon**



Past and present presidents, with the presidential cannon

Graeme Barber, Steve Privett, Andrew Edgcombe, Kath Arnold, Paul Shoebridge

NZAHAA Postal Shoot Results 2016

Six Branches took part in the annual postal shoot with team scores as follows:

Team	MSSA	Military	Cadet	Sniper	Lever	BP Rifle	Rimfire	BPSG	Nitro SG	Total
Canterbury	172	210	225	203.2	127	162.1	221.2	165	195	1680.5
Southland	124	148	197.5	241.6	176	207.1	190.5	-	175	1459.7
Ruahine	179.1	137.1	154	135.2	172	75	183.1	115	205	1355.5
Nelson	64	122	93	195.3	-	166.2	140	-	115	895.5
Wellington	59	153	145.5	223	124	-	124	-	-	828.5
Hawkes Bay	140	164	205	-	-	-	-	-	-	509.0

Prizes were presented by our national president Steve Privett at the AGM in New Plymouth as follows:

Postal Shoot Cup Canterbury

Ahuriri Liqourland Cup L O'Loughlin -Highest individual score 344.1

Mini trophies were presented to the top team in each event.

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Taranaki auction lots on display

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Hello,

I'm the owner of the two website about weapons www.littlegun.be and www.littlegun.info.
Maybe do you know it?

We started that informative website and now we have more than 1,5 million visitors a year, it became actually the world's largest website in its category.

We always endeavour to give accurate and verifiable answers; which I assume is the reason of our success.
After ten years of search and storage for information, I started to write.

The fourth book of the encyclopaedia "Liège gunmakers through their work" - 1800-1950" have just left.

See: <http://www.littlegun.be/livres/a%20a%20livre%20alain%20general.htm> for all the details.

The public selling price by book is of 29 Euros.

If you wish to make the sale in your association, the purchase price is of 20 Euros (10 books minimum).

More than 1200 books are already sold, success was immediate.

If you wish more information don't hesitate to contact me:

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FCAF WORKSHOP

In February 2017 members of the Firearms Community Advisory Forum were invited to Police National HQ to take part in a Firearms Workshop for the Arms Safety and Control group (ASAC). A full day was put aside where identified issues were discussed at great detail.

Included in the discussions were:

- Lack of Police resourcing with cut backs of staff both at PNHQ and out in our communities.
- The inconsistency of arms administration by Police staff around the country.
- The constant requests for A Category firearms details and the threats associated with those demands.
- Arms Officers not having enough staff, resources or financing to affect their jobs in a timely fashion.
- Arms officers not being able to get out into the community of users any more.
- Senior Police attitudes in the Districts towards licensed owners, with many treating us like criminals.
- Police Association's inaccurate and misleading information.
- The downgrading of partnership relationships between Police and firearms community.
- Security of licence holders who have to bring firearms into a Police station in full view of the public.

So then we looked at what would be required to fix some of these and other issues with discussions around:

- Whatever is done must be affordable
- Police need buy-in from the firearms community so stop alienating them
- Consistency around the country is an absolute requirement
- Integrity needs to be built back up
- Stick to the law and its intentions
- Communicate
- Be accurate and efficient in tasks such as Import permits
- Focus on the criminals not the fit and proper community.

The workshop then delved further into these topics and expanded on them with suggestions such as:

- Education is a big factor and a requirement. Look at training children through schools as they also need safety training. Parents should know how to access information and attend also.
- When dealing with the media advise them whether a person is licensed or unlicensed and the importance of this.
- Treat firearms owners with respect and partner with them, do this visually and vocally so that the media pick up on it.
- Improve the relationship between owners and Police that has deteriorated over the last few years.
- If using online services ensure that they are not the only means to receive service as so many users are not computer literate or have access to computers.

At the end of the day we were able to ask questions of Assistant Commissioner Mike Rusbatch, Response and Operations Superintendent Chris Scahill and Miss Julia Penney of the Arms Review.

COLFO believes that while the workshop was a great first step in trying to re-build relationships, we will need to see some sort of demonstrative action from Police for our raised concerns. It's one thing for Police to say they consulted it's another thing for them to show us that they heard.

COLFO REP TAKES FIREARM COMMUNITY CONCERNS TO PARLIAMENT

COLFO Board member Nicole McKee was invited to parliament in March to speak to one of Deputy Prime Minister Paula Bennett's senior ministerial advisers on firearms issues.

The subjects included Police policy implementation, security changes, permit issues, MSSA lengths, the Firearms Community Advisory Forum, United Nations standards, the firearms safety training and licensing demise, the Firearms Safety Council of Aotearoa New Zealand and lack of Police personnel and resourcing at PNHQ and in the districts. The concerns of the firearms community were summarised and delivered to a welcoming and listening advisor.

The Minister's office is taking the concerns of the firearms community very seriously. They have received multiple communications from aggrieved users. It was also noted to Nicole that they are receiving complaints from a wide sector of the firearms community, from all disciplines which they've not experienced before. Questions are being asked by the Minister's office of both Police and the community so that they may understand reasons for Police policy changes and the impact of those changes on the firearm community.

Nicole is one of many people that the Minister's office has contacted and is hearing from. Now is a good time to get writing to your local Member of Parliament and the Minister of Police Hon Paula Bennett to voice your concerns, the Minister's office is listening - paula.bennett@parliament.govt.nz

PISTOL CLUB BANNING POLICE

At the beginning of March the Wairarapa Pistol & Shooting Sports Club (WPSSC) following consultation with its membership decided to discontinue Police training at their facility. This ban of Police was the direct result of member's frustrations at failures by PNHQ to administrate the Arms Act in a reasonable and timely manner. These frustrations span the entire gun club membership with Pistol, Service Rifle and New Zealand Deerstalkers all using the range.

WPSSC felt that there was no other way to bring these frustrations to the attention of PNHQ and the Minister of Police other than by direct means. It was felt that although organisations (including the COLFO member groups) had tried to air their concerns these had largely been ignored. A meeting was held the day following the ban between WPSSC members, the Police Wairarapa Area Commander Inspector Donna Howard and others. The President of WPSSC advised the Inspector that the ban was not directed specifically at the Wairarapa Police with whom they had a good relationship. The Inspector promised to take the concerns of the club to PNHQ and ask for a meeting that included PNHQ, members of WPSSC and a representative of the Firearms Group who use the facility. WPSSC expressed that an improvement would be increased communications between Police and the national Firearms Community. As a show of good faith the Committee allowed Police back onto the range for their March training session, with the proviso that a meeting would need to be held prior to the April training date. A meeting between the WPSSC and PNHQ has been organised to take place shortly.

COLFO PREPARES FOR WFSA

Grant F is well on the path for organising the World Forum for Shooting Activities (WFSA) conference which is to be held in New Zealand for the first time. This is a unique moment for New Zealand shooting sports and a chance to highlight our unique gun laws, hunting, and militaria interests. The conference will be held in Millbrook, Queenstown in the last weekend of October. Once we have the details finalised we will be in touch regarding the opportunities that this presents for all of us. We are hoping to have industry and guiding representatives at the opening cocktail function where there will be chance to discuss what we have to offer globally. Expect more information as we prepare. We all owe a big thanks to Paul C for putting New Zealand well and truly at the forefront of world shooting. You will be hearing from us in the next few months regarding sponsorship. If you want more information please email: wfsa@colfo.org.nz

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VISIT <http://sportingshooters.nz/articles/> FOR COMMENTARY ON THE SELECT COMMITTEE REPORT ON ILLEGAL POSSESSION OF FIREARMS

Volunteering for Political Parties

With a General Election on 23 September now is a good time for all shooters to get involved with political parties in order to promote our cause. One practical way you can do this is by volunteering your time to assist with such things as putting up billboards or delivering party brochures.

As an example of this SSANZ Northland has for the past 18 years assisted the Whangarei MP in erecting election billboards and as a result established a good relationship with the local MP. This proved fruitful recently when two SSANZ committee members were invited to a party function at which Police Minister Paula Bennett was a guest, this allowed us to discuss a couple of topical issues with the minister.

SSANZ Brief Meeting with Police Minister Paula Bennett

SSANZ pointed out to the minister the concern held by many shooters that the Select Committee Inquiry into illegal possess of firearms would recommend new restrictions that only affect licensed firearm owners. The minister responded by saying that regardless of what recommendations the Select Committee make the National government is only interested in measures that target criminals and gangs. Although she did feel it was important that lawful firearm owners make every effort to keep their firearms secure.

We also told the minister about the frustration that many firearm owners felt in relation to administration of the Arms Act, particularly long delays in issuing permits and licences, she was not aware of this and offered to look into it.

Gun Club banned police training from their range.

SSANZ is not surprised by the action of a Wairarapa shooting club to ban police from using its range for training. It is a sad reflection on the state of trust and confidence that currently exists between firearm owners and police firearms administration.

There is a growing frustration among many shooters over the police administration of the Arms Act, which has resulted in long delays to permits and licence applications. Added to this police have put in place a number of policy changes in relation to firearms without adequate consultation with the firearm owning sector.

At the same time firearm owners are concerned over calls by the Police Association for tougher gun laws that will only impact licensed firearm owners and do nothing to curb the criminal use of firearms.

The current arms legislation is working well, evidenced by a steady decline in firearm homicide and unintentional shootings over the past several decades. What is needed now is firm action to be taken by the police and justice system against those who chose to steal firearms and use them to further their criminal activities.

Meanwhile the police management should endeavour to rebuild the formerly good relationship with the sport shooting community.

Why have shooters trust and confidence in police got so bad?

For many years the Licensing and Vetting office at Police National HQ was lead by Inspector Joe Green, and while not all decisions made by his office pleased everyone there was respect and a good relationship with the firearm community. When Joe Green was moved to other police work the post was filled by a number of temporary incumbents and there appears to have been other staff changes dealing with firearms administration. Thus following a long period of stability and consistency of firearm administration there is now a period of new people trying to stamp their brand on the job.

So why have so many shooters become frustrated and annoyed with Police Management:

- First there was the semi auto thumbhole stock debacle.
- Followed by the MSSA pistol grip definition nonsense.
- Then the Mountain Safety Council sacked the two firearm program managers and followed this with a plan to do away with all the volunteer firearm safety instructors, all according to MSC supported by police managers. When many instructors resigned from MSC in protest at this action some police districts refused to work with those volunteers who were willing to continue delivering the program.
- The Firearms Community Advisory Forum set up after the last Arms Amendment Bill has been seen by many as a less than genuine exchange of ideas and views.
- Many firearm owners and dealers have experienced long delays in permits to import, sometimes as long as 9 months. Delays have also occurred to licence applications and renewals.
- Police have made a number of policy decisions without fair consultation with the firearm community these include: refusal to grant retrospective import permits, certification of existing gun safes, changing the way MSSAs with retractable stocks are measured, special reasons required to import a .338 - .50 calibre bolt action rifle and more.

Added to the above the Police Association is calling for the registration of all firearms and putting the blame for illegally held firearm in the hands of criminals on the lawful licensed owners, without suggesting any ways to combat the criminals.

Legal Action Pending

The **New Zealand Licenced Firearms Dealers (NZLFD) Trust** has instructed **Barrister Nicholas Taylor** to be preparing for a Judicial Review proceeding (pursuant to the Judicature Act 1908) to be filed in June of this year against the Commissioner of Police. The NZLFD Trust is a registered legal entity for the purposes of this action. It has now received for legal services, from a total of **28 licensed firearms dealers, organisations and individuals** in New Zealand, a total of approximately \$30,000, the trusts target is \$50,000. As with any litigation that is commenced, it is critical to have enough funds to pay for legal costs, court fees, witness expenses, but in addition, to have sufficient available if the decision goes against you to pay for costs if awarded. Obviously if successful, then an award of costs will be folded back into the Trust for potential action for another time, or appeals if appropriate. The Trust seeks Nicholas Taylors' advice and guidance on the matters that **could benefit all New Zealand licensed firearms holders**.

The current issues that the Trust is asking Nicholas to seek clarification on, by way of declarations from the court, are the following Police policies lawful or ultra vires their authority under the Arms Act 1983 or Arms Regulation 1992?

1. Police policy in regards to "Safes and Security."
2. Police policy in regards to the measurement of MSSA firearms.
3. Police policy in regards to the imposition of conditions on the importation of firearms.
4. Police policy in regards to the mail order purchase form.

Nicholas has begun to draft and correlate information, affidavits and documentary evidence to support each of the above mentioned issues for the June (target) action to commence. If you have had any issues or have documents in support of any of these issues please contact Nicholas by e-mail. Nicholas Taylor: n.taylor@civicchambers.co.nz

If you support this legal action and would like to make a donation you can do so by direct credit to the trust fund: Account number: **06 0193 0122740 04**, using reference: **16110001 – NZLFD – your name**.

SSANZ, COLFO and Pistol NZ have already made substantial contributions to this trust fund, it is up to the rest of us to see that it reaches its target.

Notes on the No.5 Mk.1 Bayonets. From Tony Bruce

Knife bayonet for use on the .303 caliber Lee-Enfield No. 5 Mk. I rifle. The No. 5 Mk. I was also used with the 9 mm. Sterling L2 submachine gun.



Original bayonets were made at Poole, Wilkinson (above), Viners, Radcliffe and Elkington. These have an oil hole in the pommel



Commercial No 5 bayonets were made by Sterling for the Sterling SMG L2A3 These have no oil hole, and are marked STERLING on the blade. Two variants are shown above, wood grips with screws and plastic grips with rivets.



The Genuine R.F.I. (Ishapore) No 5 were made for the Sterling Patchett Machine Carbine, they are dated and have an oiling hole.

The other R.F.I. No 5 bayonets (above) are simply modern day fake replicas without oiling hole and not dated.

Unlike most bayonets, the wooden grip scales wrap completely around the tang. Early examples have the grip secured by a single screw and a press stud without the screw slot. These early examples are very scarce today.

316,122 No. 5 Mk. I bayonets were produced by the end of 1945. Wartime production was carried out by four manufacturers:

Wilkinson Sword Co, London—188,354;

Viners Ltd., Sheffield—42,000;

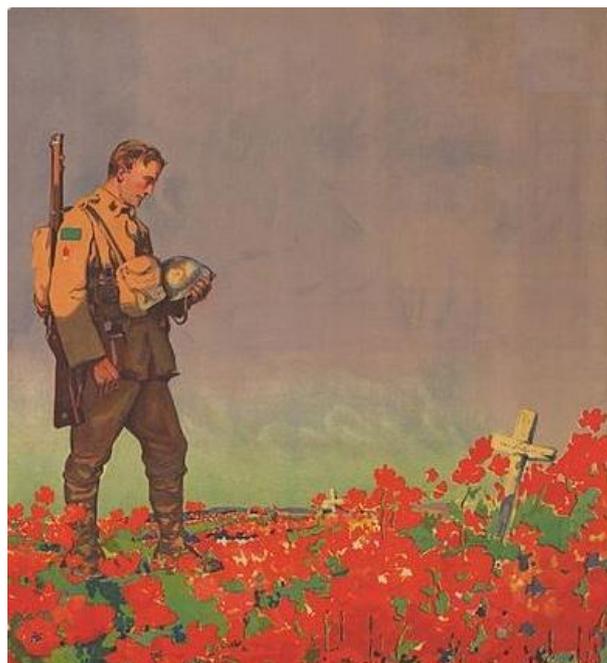
Radcliffe—75,000; and,

Elkington & Co. Ltd., Birmingham—10,768.

An unknown quantity were produced post-war at the Royal Ordnance Factory, Poole.

No. 5 Mk. I bayonets were also commercially produced by Sterling Ltd. for sale with the 9 mm. Sterling (Patchett) machine carbine and at Rifle Factory Ishapore in India. Ishapore bayonets were made in small quantity. More recently, a large quantity of RFI-marked reproductions has surfaced. The vast majority of RFI-marked No. 5 Mk. I bayonets encountered today are reproductions.

ANZAC DAY



LEST WE FORGET

Pole who became an RAF hero for Britain after Nazis murdered his police chief dad

Polish pilot Stan Getman escaped to England in 1941 before joining Bomber Command and flying 45 bombing runs over occupied Europe



Flight Sergeant Stan Getman (Photo: Dickins/BNPS)

by Taboola
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The astonishing story of a European immigrant who became an RAF hero after he came to Britain to fight Hitler has been revealed.

Polish pilot Stan Getman eventually fled to the UK in 1939 after his police chief dad was brutally murdered by Nazi invaders.

But before he could make it to Britain he was imprisoned in a Siberian concentration camp where 650,000 inmates died.

When Russia changed sides in the war in 1941 the airman escaped to England where he joined the RAF's Bomber Command and flew on 45 bombing runs over Nazi-occupied Europe.

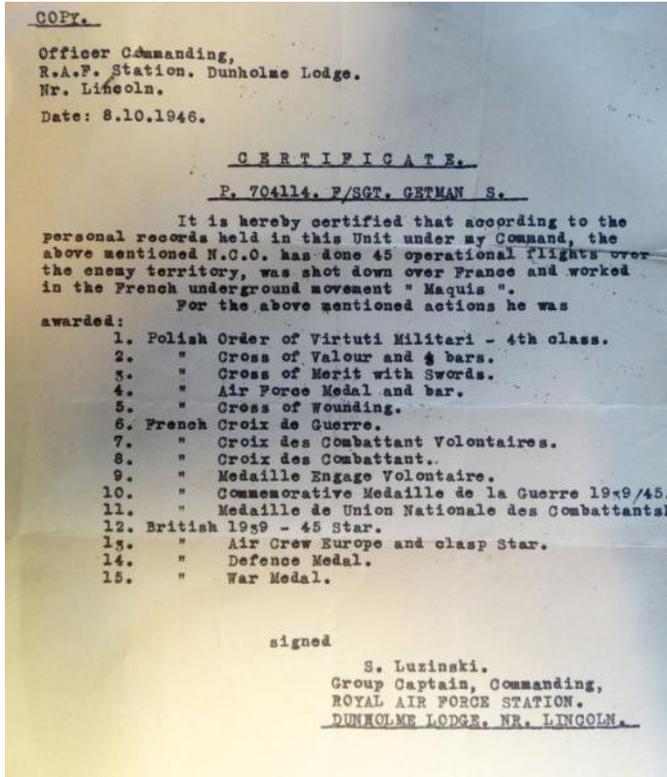
On his last mission the Lancaster aircraft he was in was shot down in a ball of flames over France. He was the only one of the seven-man crew to parachute out of the blazing aircraft alive.

He was picked up by the French resistance and spent the rest of the war working with them, sabotaging the German war effort.

After the war he finally settled in England and married wife Constance.



Stan with his wife Constance (Photo: Dickins/BNPS)



Stan's astonishing set of medals

(Photo: Dickins/BNPS)

An intelligent man who was fluent in five languages, he applied for a job as a Russian translator with the government during the Cold War but was painfully rejected in case he had Soviet Union sympathies due to his time in Siberia.

Instead he worked as a supervisor in a textile factory in Warrington, Cheshire.

He died in the 1990s but story has come to light after his son, who lives in Buckinghamshire, decided to sell his father's wartime medals and photo album documenting his time in Bomber Command.

In all he was awarded 19 gallantry and campaign medals by Britain, Poland and France.



Stan Getman (left) with RAF pal (Photo: Dickins/BNPS)



Stan with his Lancaster Bomber and crew (Photo: Dickins/BNPS) **Stan's wife Constance** (Photo: Dickins/BNPS)

John Dickins, of Dickins Auctioneers of Middle Claydon, Bucks, said: "It is fair to say Stan Getman was an amazing and remarkable fellow.

"His son has consigned the medals and he said that for a long time in his life his father felt very hard done by, and it is easy to see why.

"His father was serving as a chief of police in Poland until Germany and Russia invaded and he was arrested, taken to the woods and shot in what was to become known as the Katyn Massacre in which thousands were killed."

Speaking about his time in bomber command Mr Dickins said Getman was lucky to survive.

He said: "Considering the mortality rate of Bomber Command was nearly 50 per cent, Stan did very well to get through 45 sorties.

"He cheated death when his plane was shot down by anti-aircraft fire. He was a tail gunner but had just swapped positions with the radio operator when the plane was hit.

"Stan was the only one to escape by parachuting to ground. He suffered two broken ankles and was in shock at having seen all his crew mates explode in a ball of fire."

Mr Dickin also revealed Mr Getman's family believe his amazing abilities were wasted in the post-war years.

He said: "When he tried to get a job as a Russian translator he was rejected because it was feared he might have Russian sympathies due to his time in Siberia. The statement couldn't have been further from the truth.

"He ended up getting up at 6am every day and cycling to work to do a job that was probably well below his capability.

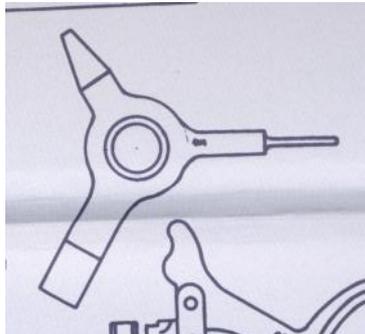
"His son said he wasn't bitter, just disappointed."

Contributed by Dave Craze

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

Last month (below left), Michael Carrick said this is a Dutch M1895 Mannlicher rifle combo tool and substantiated the claim with an image taken from the end cover of this book:

Martens, B.J. and G. de Vries, Nederlandse Vuurwapens 1895 - 1940, Landmacht en Luchtvaartafdeling, Arnhem, The Netherlands: S.I. Publicaties B.V., 2006



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The No 1, Mk III*, Short, Magazine, Lee-Enfield (SMLE): Musketry of 1914 -PART ONE-

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9FyiTf8MMgk&feature=youtu.be>

The No 1, Mk III* Short, Magazine, Lee Enfield (SMLE): Introduction

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IYI4DvXKiQ4>

Something for Oerlikon collectors

<http://www.forgottenweapons.com/four-fun-facts-about-the-oerlikon-20mm-antiaircraft-cannon/>

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***WANTED:** Japanese Arisaka type 38 6.5 cal Carbine in good condition, Contact: Ross Tantrum, E-Mail: tanuki@paradise.net.nz Tel: 04-569-9579, Mob: 021-1472549

***WANTED:** Enfield pistol No2 Mk1 and STEN parts for restoration projects WHY Contact Mark at privatejoker@btinternet.com

***WANTED:** a bolt for a Mossberg Model No260. .22 s/s rifle. Contact: malcolm.sandilands@xtra.co.nz

***WANTED:** Savage 99 lever action in 22 Hi-power, must be in good condition with good bore, \$1200 up for a good one. Contact Robbie gunsmith@gunworks.co.nz

***FOR SALE** on behalf of deceased estate by Northland Branch, Prices negotiable



S & W K 22 .22 LR	\$650
Sig P 210 9mm, made 1951/52	\$1750
John Rogers S/S shotgun 12g	\$400
W Richards hammerless 12g	\$400

Contact Mack for more details: mack12@xtra.co.nz Tel 09 436 0946 (after 8 pm.)

***FOR SALE:** Large quantity of hunting books- African, New Zealand- Gun Digests etc. List circulated with March e-Gazette. Contact Paul Deeming: gunnerpwd@gmail.com 09 435 3232.

***FOR SALE:** Available many gun parts antique and modern. All internal mechanisms from the guns sold at the auction of the Mulholland Estate in Kaitangata in the 1980s including a near new Magazine for the 1895 Winchester sold at the auction, complete internals for Model 1892 Winchesters and many hundreds of other parts. Most parts for Stevens Favorites and pump action Winchester rifles, .303 and P14 rifles, Remington Model 4 Rolling blocks. Full stock P17. Many magazines including inner and outer tubes Winchester pump action, Remington pump action, MkI and MkI* MLM 8 shot narrow magazine plus MLM three screw bolt cover bolt, receiver and barrel. (price on MLM parts subject to offers) - note magazine is the early rare MLM one and will NOT fit the later MLE or SMLE rifles.

Any enquiries regarding your needs might prove fruitful. Prices based on Numrich Arms values.

Contact waihao.graham@xtra.co.nz

WANTED : Bren gun, Mk I, II, III, preferably Mk 1.

Contact William , 0220965883 will223@hotmail.co.nz South Island.

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Contact Tony Bruce charioteer@paradise.net.nz Cell 021 289 8831

CAN YOU HELP?

William Gibbs would like to know what this is:

It has a broad arrow and SE stamped on it. **No answers so far.**



Urb Seux would like to know the date of this scale ruler, it contains data on the speed of advance for Infantry, Cavalry & Artillery and the space taken up by various army units at camp and on the march.

Maurice Taylor reckons about 1890s/1900s.



Answers to oilrag@xtra.co.nz please.

Collier revolving firearms research



Gentlemen,

I am representing a group of us that has embarked on a search to identify the Collier revolvers that exist today as well as to answer the age old question of which accomplished English Gun Maker made them as it is known that the inventor Elisha Collier did not actually make these. So we respectfully ask if you could print the attached inquiry in your *New Zealand Antique & Historical Arms Association Gazette*. I have also furnished a picture of my Collier revolver if it would be of help to illustrate our query.

We would appreciate your doing this and would be very pleased to report the results when we have something to your readers.

Please let me know if you have any questions. This is a serious search and we believe that some new facts about these revolving firearms will result.

We very much appreciate your consideration.

Best regards,

Frank Graves fgraves@gvtc.com

Boerne, Texas

A team of antique firearms students and owner are identifying all known revolving flintlock and percussion long guns and pistols patented in England in 1818 by the American Elisha H. Collier. We are working to ascertain who were the actual makers, since Mr. Collier was known to have enlisted other makers to manufacture them in England.

We would like to hear from the members about details on any Collier revolving firearms, that they own or are knowledgeable about. We will observe any confidentiality that is requested.

In the summer of 2017, *Arms Heritage Magazine* will publish the first results of this study, and a more substantive writing of the Collier Revolver is being planned.

Please send any information to Prof. Ben Nicholson, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, at bnicholson@saic.edu .

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19 & 20 August	Tauranga Arms and Militaria Show
2 September	Ruahine Branch Auction, Palmerston North
16 September	Canterbury Branch Auction and Display, Riccarton Raceway, Christchurch
23 September	NZAHAA HYGGM and Auction, Wellington
4 & 5 November	Taranaki Gun Show, New Plymouth
11 & 12 November	Armistice in Cambridge, Lake Karapero Domain

The following were spotted in the German Historical Museum in Berlin by Graeme Champion. These are scarce variations to the WW1 Gewehr 98 military rifle and scarcely seen, even in books.



From the top:

Cutaway version

Experimental rotary magazine

Standard Gewehr 98 rifle

Semiautomatic Mauser , issued in very limited numbers during WW1. Revised versions were later used in aircraft before machineguns were fitted.

Extended magazine and barrel. Why the barrel was extended is a mystery.




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