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EDITORIAL

Sadly death comes to us all, and not always when expected. It is important that we have a plan in place to care for or dispose of our collections, which may well contain valuable or historically significant items and may involve our local Arms Officer in their transfer. Do we have a family member who will be glad to inherit the collection intact or will it be necessary to sell the lot in order to share the value with selected beneficiaries?

When it comes to selling do we hand the whole lot to some commercial dealer who will likely earn around 25 % of the value for his efforts or do we hand it over to friends to dispose of on our behalf. If it is a large collection the latter option may be too much for an individual, who may then seek the assistance of his local branch of our organization.

When it comes to NZAHAA branches taking on the sale of a large collection it is important that there are clear laid down procedures for such a process, to ensure that the deceased's family are treated fairly and professionally and that the Branch does not lay itself open to claims by disaffected third parties. For example before up lifting a collection, does any third party lay claim to it in whole or in part, does the family member providing the items have authority to sell them, who is legally entitled to receive the proceeds of sale? When deceased estates are sold through a branch there is often the expectation that the members will be offered first opportunity to purchase, but this does not necessarily result in the best price being achieved for the vendor. It is important then that any branch taking on the sale of a large collection has clearly defined procedures for accepting and selling the collection, including a signed agreement with the vendor and recognizing that their first duty is towards their client the vendor. As the sale of a large collection can take many months to achieve it is also important to maintain regular communication with the vendor.

Before your collection is put up for sale make sure there is a clearly defined and agreed process in place.

Best wishes, **Phil**

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A LEGACY OF JOHN OSBORNE 1941 - 2018

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

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Images from KUMEU MILITARIA SHOW held on 24 March 2018







THIS SCARCE GUN WILL BE OFFERED FOR SALE

Northland Branch Auction 22 September 2018

NZAR ID 195, ARM TYPE: Machine Gun. Draft date (V1) 16 March 2012,

Compiled by John Osborne DTT PhD FSG,

Pattern: Lewis 303" LMG M1914.

Introduced: Into NZ 1915. Withdrawn: c1960s

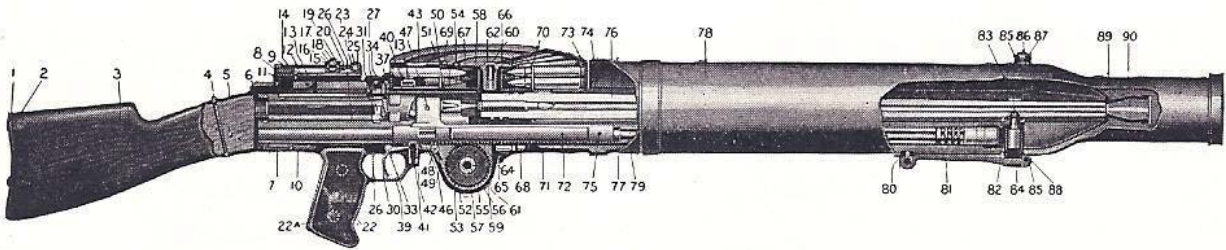
.303" Lewis Light Machine Guns m1914 served NZ forces well during WWI & WWII.

The Lewis Automatic Light Machine Gun was perfected by the British and widely used by the British including New Zealand forces. It was first used in 1915 and continued in service with a number of armed forces through to the end of the Korean War. Weighing only 12.7 kg (28 lb) which was around half the weight of other machine guns of the era, the Lewis became immediately popular amongst troops. It could be carried by a single soldier and was easy to load with its drum magazine. The .303" Lewis Gun was used by the New Zealand Mounted Rifles in Sinai and Palestine between July 1916 and March 1917 and also fitted in early British Mark IV tanks, armoured cars and on motorcycles.. It was used by the Navy including the RN Air Service and by the Royal Flying Corps and from April 1918 when the RFC and RNAS merged by the Royal Air Force. Gas-operated and air-cooled the Lewis Gun used a 50 round (47 were loaded to avoid jams) (later 100 (97) for aircraft) circular drum magazine. By means of an adjustable clock-type recoil spring the gun's firing rate could be regulated, ranging from 500-600 rounds per minute although shorter bursts were more usual and with its adjustable sights and bipod support was effective to a range of 700m. When used in the air the Lewis' air cooling jacket and fins could be dispensed with, it then weighed just 9kg.



The Birmingham Small Arms BSA factory alone made 145,397 Lewis Guns during WWI





LEWIS AUTOMATIC LIGHT MAGAZINE GUN

1, Butt plate; 2, butt plate screws; 3, butt; 4, butt tang screw; 5, butt tang; 6, feed cover latch; 7, butt latch, securing butt to receiver; 8, back sight bed spring; 9, back sight bed spring screw; 10, butt latch spring; 11, back sight bed; 12, feed cover latch pin; 13, feed cover; 14, back sight leaf; 15, back sight thumb piece; 16, back sight slide catch; 17, back sight fine adj. worm; 18, back sight fine adj. worm axis pin; 19, back sight slide catch spring; 20, back sight slide; 22, Firing hand grip; 22A, guard side rivets; 23, back sight axis pin washer; 24, back sight axis pin; 25, back sight axis washer fixing pin; 26, receiver; 27, magazine pawls spring; 30, trigger; 31, feed operating stud; 33, trigger pin; 34, feed operating arm; 37, bolt that closes breech and takes shock of discharge; 39, guard; 40, cartridge guide spring; 41, sear spring; 42, sear; 43, magazine pan; 46, gear stop; 47, striker fixing pin; 48, gear stop pin; 49, gear stop spring; 50, striker; 51, cartridge spacer; 52, gear operated by main spring; 53, main spring casing; 54, magazine top plate rivets; 55, main spring which closes breech and returns parts to firing position; 56, collet pin; 57, main spring collet; 58, magazine centre; 59, main spring rivets; 60, magazine latch spring; 61, gear casing; 62, magazine latch; 64, gear casing side piece; 65, gear case hinge pin; 66, feed operating arm latch; 67, magazine top plate; 68, receiver lock pin; 69, cartridge spacer rivets; 70, interior cartridge separators; 71, radiator casing rear, locking piece; 72, rack, actuated by piston and main spring; 73, Radiator casing rear, platform; 74, radiator casing rear; 75, piston connecting pin; 76, barrel; 77, gas cylinder; 78, radiator for cooling barrel; 79, piston operated by gases of exploding cartridge that ejects empty shell and resets firing pin; 80, regulator key; 81, gas regulator key; 82, gas chamber; 83, gas port; 84, gas regulator; 85, clamp ring; 86, fore sight; 87, clamp ring positioning screw; 88, clamp ring screw; 89, barrel mouth piece; 90, radiator casing front.



Burnham Camp, Christchurch NZ 1917.



March 1918 somewhere along the New Zealand Front.

My NZAV Naval Sword by John Carter

On a recent trip to New Zealand (Feb/Mar 2018) I was fortunately offered a Victorian naval sword to add to my collection. This one is different in a number of ways.



The 31 inch blade is engraved over half its length, but instead of the usual fouled anchor and Royal Cypher, it has a pair



of back to back wings with bolts of lightning through and on the other side a Flaming bomb and a Field Gun Carriage (Artillery) under which are the initials NZAV, (New Zealand Artillery Volunteers).

The sword retailer is Hobson & Sons, Little Windmill Street-London c1878-1886, under the address in the book is mentioned 43-44 Artillery Place-Woolwich. (Artillery connection?) The proof mark at the forte “proved” with letter ‘P’ Hobson & Sons, Lexington St-London. Could be ‘Pillin’



This Officer must have been fairly well off as not only did he place an order for a special blade for his Naval Sword he also had his name added in a ribbon- “Capt G. Laing Meason”.

All I’ve been able to find out at present is Lieutenant Colonel Lean, Christchurch 13 April 1885 recommends Acting Captain G.L.Meason, Timaru Naval Artillery for substantive rank.

1887 from Officer Commanding, South Caterbury District Date 12 August 1887 subject: Recommends the appointment of Captain Gilbert Laing Meason, Timaru Naval Artillery as Captain Commandant of Canterbury Naval Division.

On 6 February 1888 Captain Meason applied for a refund of 4 pound 10 shillings paid to Public Works for old sleepers to make a platform for a 64pounder RML (Rifle Muzzle Loading) gun.

On 18th September 1896 Captain Meason was disqualified, owing to failure at examination for Naval Cadetship.

The sword must date from 1885-1886 when he was recommended as acting Captain. As Hobson changed his address after 1886. If anyone can add any history or photo of him I would appreciate it.

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Public Health Summer School

Several of our committee attended this event organised by the Otago University in Wellington on 14 February, primarily because it appeared that it would be dominated by people who promoted an anti-gun agenda such as Chris Cahill and Philp Alpers. Alpers was presented in a slick pre-recorded video in which he extolled the success of disarming Pacific island nations, but allowed no opportunity to challenge his assertions or ask questions of him. Cahill produced his now familiar call for tougher gun laws including registration of all firearms. Dr Vito of the SPCA produced an excellent fact based presentation on the value of firearms in maintaining animal welfare. Various pro-shooting groups/individuals were able inject some reasoned arguments into the discussions however many questions were suppressed when they did not suit the organisers agenda. Unfortunately the media focussed largely on the exaggerated claims of Police Association President Chris Cahill, who published his speech online even before the seminar was over, and mostly ignored the issues raised by other speakers. The main public health concerns associated with firearms being suicide and the effect of lead ingestion by shooters particularly on indoor ranges.

Firearms and Schools

In March the Education Ministry released a "Draft guidelines for schools developing a firearms policy" for public comment. SSANZ is pleased to see that this document has taken a pragmatic approach to providing practical guidance for School Boards and Staff to allow firearms to be taken into schools and used for all reasonable and lawful purposes. The main thrust of the document is to reinforce the provisions of the Arms Act and allow for the presence and use of firearms in schools while under the supervision of a Licensed Firearm Owner. SSANZ has made a submission supporting this document but pointed out a small number of technical errors.

Why We Shouldn't Compare NZ with the USA

Whenever a shooting tragedy occurs in the USA, the media and anti gun advocates here immediately start to pose the question as to whether our firearms laws are tough enough. Why? New Zealand is nothing like the USA.

First the USA is a nation of 50 States all of whom have their own gun control laws, some of which are very strict and some very lax, but none are anything like New Zealand's gun laws. So how can you compare one thing with 50 different things, which is rather like comparing one apple with a whole fruit market, absurd! Second the ethnic and socio economic mix of New Zealand is vastly different to the US where strong racial and gang tensions exist in many parts leading to violence in some major cities.

Third the attitude towards firearms in NZ is significantly different to that of the USA. In New Zealand a firearm is regarded as a tool for hunting, pest control or an item of sporting equipment, whereas in the US it is regarded by many as a weapon necessary for self preservation.

Because bad things occur in the US with firearms it does not follow that the same things will happen here. However recent research would indicate that the more exposure these events are given in the media the more likelihood that there will be copy-cat shootings as disturbed individuals seek their moment of fame in the media spot light. It is for this reason that acts of suicide are suppressed in the media here. How long before the media apply the same logic to mass shootings?

The table below illustrates why comparing gun ownership in one country with that of another makes little sense.

| World's Safest Country | 1st Iceland | 2nd NZ | 8 th Canada | 14 th – Aus | 44 th UK | 115 th USA | 144 th Israel | 151 st Russia | 163 rd Syria |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Guns per 100 residents | 30.3 | 22.6 | 30.8 | 24.1 | 6.2 | 101 | 7.3 | 8.9 | 3.9 |

Sources: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Global_Peace_Index
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Estimated_number_of_guns_per_capita_by_country

Stay Safe

"With the roar looming and the game bird seasons almost upon us, it is timely to review the seven basic rules of firearm safety:

- 1: Treat every firearm as loaded.
- 2: Always point firearms in a safe direction.
- 3: Load a firearm only when ready to fire.
- 4: Identify your target beyond all doubt.
- 5: Check your firing zone.
- 6: Store firearms and ammunition safely.
- 7: Avoid alcohol or drugs when handling firearms.

Up to 80,000 deer hunters may be out in the hills over Easter, so it behoves all of us to strive to follow these rules. Although most hunting injuries are caused by falls, it is essential to take care with firearms because they need our alertness and brains to avoid incidents.

With approximately 40,000 game bird hunters expected to pursue waterfowl and upland game birds later on in the early winter, prospects for slipping, falling and having unintentional discharges of firearms are much greater when in the field.

So watch your step, watch where your muzzle is pointing, and enjoy your hunting safely!"

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FROM OUR READERS

In response to John Carter's excellent article in the March 2018 gazette. Some 3 years ago a friend of mine in the UK alerted me to an auction taking place on Ebay UK. One glance and I had to have a crack at it. The auction was for an old powder horn that had good provenance with the NZ Wars, and after digging deep I was successful in the bid.

Like John's flask it has a beautiful patina and has an ancient smoke stained finish. It is 14 1/2" overall with wooden stopper at the sharp end secured by a dog skin leather strap. The powder filler end is stopped off with a hardwood base held in place with copper nails.



A faint museum label records some history of its previous ownership but hard to decipher. "Maori Horn donated xxxxxxxxxxxx by a soldier of the Volunteers"

More interestingly is the scrimshaw etching over the horn sides. On one side the "Taranaki Militia Badge" is topped with the battled honour "Waireka", above a view of "Fort Omata" On the other side a scrimshaw sketch of "Wiremu Kingi" Topped with the battle honour for "Te Kohia" (L shaped Pa)

The recorded reference of these incidences i.e., Te Kohia 17th March 1860 and Waireka 28th March 1860, puts this item as a workable souvenir of the first battles of the Taranaki Wars.

Regard
Blue Thomas
Tel: 07 386572



Last months mystery object was provided by Tony Bruce here is its story

Last weekend I was given a WW1 souvenir by my old uncle, as he knew I would appreciate it. It's from my Grandfather, who served with the NZ 'Canterbury Mounted Rifles' (Canterbury Yeomanry Cavalry) in Palestine in WW1.

The family story is that he was given the snake by a Turkish (Ottoman) prisoner of war that he had helped. The snake is about 1 foot (30cm) long and made of small glass beads sewn onto a cloth skin and then shaped and stuffed with fabric or sand.

He also brought other souvenirs back - but they have been distributed around the greater family over time. However I do have his paybook, several photos and medals.

FYI - More info can be read about these POW snakes here:
<https://www.awm.gov.au/articles/blog/ottoman-prisoner-of-war-beadwork>.

From our globe trotting correspondent

Dear Phil,

As I mentioned in my last correspondence, Susanne and I are back on the road again (there is a song in there somewhere). We are presently in Toronto, Canada in the snow, having just flown cross country from Vancouver Island. Whilst there we attended an antique fair in the town of Sidney and met Tom Bown who is the co author of the book (photo attached) which I bought. It is a fascinating little book 234 pages in colour portraying numerous types of glass and pottery relating to its title but also fascinating and informative chapters on the broad arrow, its origin and history. There is also historical information on the use of lime juice for Scurvy and the health and welfare of the Naval service. And more.

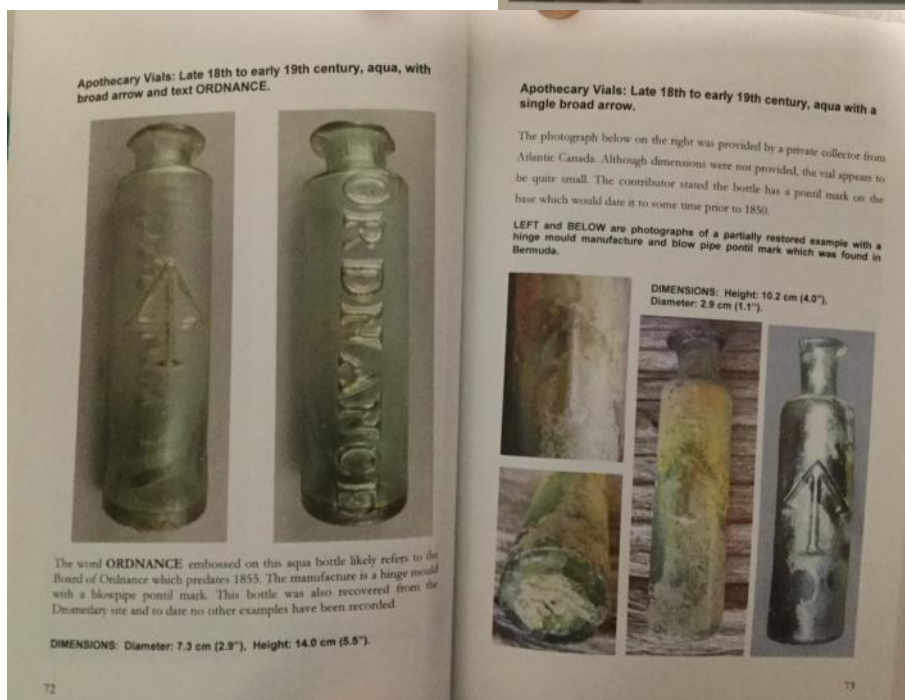
The book cost me Can \$30 Which is very reasonable. However he informed me that postage to Australasia would probable be around the \$20 mark. He did however mention that he had shipped multiple copies to an Australian customer and the post rate was a lot more reasonable when amortised across quantity.

This is information for you to treat as you like.

We will be in touch again regarding the Naval Base on Vancouver Island once I get some photos sorted out.

Best regards,

Simon and Susanne



With Dog and Lock by Maurice Taylor

Previously published in
Black Powder magazine 2004



Of these two elements, the dog lock would have to be the more controllable. Mr Banjo Beagle esquire, who sits before me as I write licking his, well, licking anyway, is true to his breeding – nose down, tail up, brain disengaged. Yes, all beagles are great pack hunters, but how would he fare alone in the local ranges behind Nelson? Certainly there are pigs, deer and goats to pursue. I generally manage to knock off some per trip. Maybe Banjo's great inherent skill would blossom; and if it didn't, well, we would have had a good walk. So with some misgivings we hie away up the Hackett stream.

I chose a newly made English lock rifle of .50 calibre, a fishtailed stocked affair whose sprag-like dog gives this class of lock the general lumping under dog lock. Mechanically it is of the earlier form with horizontal sear, no half-bent provision and a buffer to arrest the lock's descent. Archaic perhaps, but it never fails but to give a most copious shower of sparks and no later locks could improve on that aspect. Its trigger, incidentally, hangs vertically and terminates in a horn ball. Since there is but full cock, the half being provided by the 'dog', no guard is required.

I soon dispensed with Banjo's 20ft lead and he quickly took to the free run of the track. He would run two miles to my one, haring off, but running back to see if I was still following. The few divides of trail caused some difficulties but we reached Browning Hut and there camped – Banjo, as ever, sniffing the scent-born news.

Dawn rose fair and we soon started our ascent of Mount Stewart, part of a ridge that runs up to Mount Starvall. My estimate that goats may be sunning themselves in the open bits proved correct, but it was about, or rather precisely, at this point that Banjo's technique of bolting wildly at them was at variance with my unimaginative idea of shooting a ball at them! We tried Banjo's method for two mobs then, putting the lead back on, we weaved along as he displayed great talent for picking courses opposite to mine; but we chanced on a silly billy and convincing Banjo he would be happier behind the muzzle, I fired a tardy shot, but the delay was no detriment and I was soon hacking off such meat as would do until a better animal presented (I've had billies get their own back before – gamey is one word, rank is another!).

We progressed to Weka Saddle where I made camp and, descending to the creek head, found water. I had tea on and the bower set up (a rude lean-to serving as half tent or tarp), when sounds like a freight train came up the other slope and three or more large pigs (wild boar sounds more dramatic but we just call them "pigs") came nearly into camp. I quickly primed and set the lock to full, expecting action but principally feared for the loose Mr Banjo. Having a nose and being a dog doesn't necessarily make a house pet into a pig dog - visions of minced beagle - but he came to my whistles and night found us snuggled together in my blanket.

Dawn, and by degrees, ascent to Mount Gale and up to the Hackett's Peaks open tussock. No goats this time but great views (lost on beagle). The heat was more his concern. Dogs do go on strike, well beagles do, but we fought the stunted beech to Starvall's 5,000+ft peak and onto Slatey Peak. No pigs today and I was glad we didn't spook a hare. Banjo will chase hares forever! I entered us as 1½ in the hut book. A foot-sore, weary beagle emerged next day. I didn't dash either, but thought to head for the Hackett Basin at least.



You can go on for weeks here, the ranges are endless and ever inviting, but you have to balance factors of time, dog tucker, and the demands of the mundane world; even when weather and your state of fitness is not a consideration. I have been all over these ranges and some are downright hairy! Picture a landscape like the Alps, cover it in virgin forest, add fickle weather, throw in the odd goat track and culler's hut; set in all this man and beagle and you get some idea of the region. Anyway, I was going to say that as we set off, the tired Banjo cut pig scent. All thoughts of weariness disappeared. All thoughts of any kind disappeared – the nose is all! He eventually showed.

Our descent to the track end was made interesting by three stoats playing like squirrels on a dead tree. I sent a ball through the neck of one and nearly had another shot, but it was not to be. These introduced animals are a real pest to native birdlife who have no developed awareness or defence. All quadrupeds are introduced – deer being one. They are deemed 'noxious animals' (a bit like politicians) with no closed seasons (unfortunately unlike politicians).

Banjo's skill never much improved but he had passed the test. I often took him with me. He cost me many a goat or deer but conversely I generally got as many with him as without him. He had a heart as big as a mountain and was mostly as good as an extra blanket, except that blankets don't chase pigs in their sleep. I loved to watch him analyse water falls or river crossings. He would try that way or calculate the feasibility, then if his short legs couldn't cope, he would look at me with a clear "What now boss?" look and I'd go to his aid. He wasn't even my dog and no-one else would put up with him, but we mostly got on just fine; occasional haring off after hares notwithstanding. There was never a problem with what to do with spare food. He would always help a fellow out with that! I think if a pig had killed him I needed only to rustle a Mars bar wrapper to bring him back to life again, and his capacity for smoked eel was remarkable. I still have the dog lock, but Banjo's gone now. I expect we'll meet again in hunter's heaven.

CAN YOU IDENTIFY THESE?

If you can you may like to bid on them in the up coming 22 September Northland Branch Auction



PEDERSON DEVICE contributed by Neville Dodd



The Pedersen device, a conversion unit intended to turn a rifle into a semiautomatic carbine to increase firepower in the trenches of World War I. Remington employee John Pedersen was a gifted gun designer who invented the original Model 51 pistol, the Model 10 pump, and, in collaboration with John Browning, the Model 17 pump, which would become the Ithaca 37 once its patent expired.

The device that bears his name was supposed to be his contribution to the WWI effort but it arrived too late. The requirements of trench fighting gave rise to the submachine in WWI, where compact firepower became more important than long range accuracy. The Pedersen device didn't make rifles any more compact, but it increased their firepower from five bolt-action shots to 40 semiautomatic rounds.



The device was chambered for the rimless .30/18 auto pistol cartridge, also known by its French name of 7.65x20mm Longue. It was a pretty mild cartridge, firing an 80-grain bullet at a velocity of just 1300 fps. Essentially, the Pedersen device was a blowback action that could be fitted into the receiver of an '03 Springfield very quickly and without tools. You removed the regular bolt and slid on the Pedersen device. There was a short barrel section that fit into chamber of the rifle. Pedersen himself made a top-secret demonstration of the device to a group of officers and congressmen in the fall of October 1917. He began by firing the rifle normally, using the bolt and standard ammunition, then pulled the bolt out, threw in the semi-auto conversion, and blazed away.

It was a huge hit, and when General Pershing saw it in France, he demanded it. The '03 Mark I was designed to be used with the device, and it featured ejector ports cut in the receiver and stock. The device would have been issued in a metal case, with magazines in another pouch, so soldiers could almost instantly convert their rifles from long range and accurate to short range and high rate of fire quickly in the field. In a way, it was the precursor of the assault rifle since it had both short range firepower and longer range capability. Over 160,000 were made, but arrived too late for the war. After a period of storage, the Army decided they were obsolete and nearly all were destroyed. Only about 100 Pedersen devices survive, including this one in the [NRA Sporting Arms Museum](https://www.nramuseum.com/) at Bass Pro Shops in Springfield, Mo.

Acknowledgement: <https://www.fieldandstream.com/blast-from-past-pedersen-device>



Pederson Device in metal case

FROM THE GUN ROOM by Andrew Edgcombe

New Zealand was under threat from Japan early in the Second World War, the majority of our fighting men were overseas and the under resourced Home Guard was doing what it could with whatever kit and weaponry was available and at times resorted to the use and manufacture of expedient type weapons. Molotov cocktails, crudely made grenades using wooden handles and water pipe or concrete, Knuckle type fighting knives and I believe the odd mortar was also produced locally. I have visions of workshop evenings and working bees to produce these



implements of war. I recall when the knives like the one depicted arrived on the local market, apparently released from stock at Waiouru. I have since heard they may have been manufactured by the Home Guard in Northland. They could be found at gun shows for a couple years and then they disappeared as the few that were around were absorbed into collections. With the sale of the Rasmussen collection over the past four years at Wellington Branch NZAHAA's annual auction some of these knives that Ian had in his collection have gone under the hammer. Ian collected variations and there were a couple of different style knuckle bows on these knives and what ever other variation he spotted he added to his collection. The knives are also depicted in the Skennerton/Richardson British and Commonwealth Bayonet book.



The knives are crudely made, a double edged dagger type blade of around 6 inches in length. Wooden grips riveted in place with a thick leather washer top and bottom. The knuckle bow is welded to the cross guard and pommel. Even though crude they fit well in the hand and would do exactly what they were designed to do with all the efficiency of a finely finished knife. Thankfully our Home Guardsmen never had to test such weaponry in the defence of New Zealand. They were however ready and would have given it their all if called upon.

NZAHAA POSTAL SHOOT RESULTS

| | First | Second | Third |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| MSSA | Ruahine | Hawkes Bay | Southland |
| Military rifle | Ruahine | Southland | Hawkes bay |
| Cadet Rifle | Ruahine | Hawkes Bay | Southland |
| Sniper Rifle | Southland | Ruahine | Nelson |
| Lever Action Rifle | Hawkes Bay | Southland | Ruahine |
| Black Powder Rifle | Southland | Hawkes Bay | Ruahine |
| Rim Fire Rifle | Northland | HB & SL | Ruahine |
| BP Shotgun | Hawkes bay | Ruahine | ----- |
| Nitro Shotgun | Ruahine | Northland | Hawkes bay |

Top Individuals

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|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| T Robinson | Ruahine | 359.5 |
| J Ayto | Hawkes Bay | 228.5 |
| B Horton | Hawkes bay | 219.7 |
| N Johnson | Nelson | 210.8 |
| M Barkman | Southland | 209.5 |

Top Teams

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|-------------------|---------------|
| Ruahine | 1669.1 |
| Hawkes bay | 1596.8 |
| Southland | 1467.3 |
| Nelson | 811 |
| Northland | 415.5 |

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

Last months (below left), Noel Taylor said it is a leather and bead snake usually manufactured in WWI by Turkish POW's and sold to the guards and others to fund their personal purchases like cigarettes etc. There are some on display at the Auckland Museum in the WWI section of Scars on the Heart.



WANTED

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MYSTERY OBJECTS

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| 29 April | Carvell's Auction, Auckland |
| 26 May | Ruahine Arms Fair, Palmerston North |
| 9 June | SSANZ Guns Show, Whangarei |
| 1 July | Auckland Branch Gun Show, Alexander Park |
| 7 & 8 July | Wellington Branch Auction. Porirua |
| 21 July | Mainland Arms & Militaria Show, Christchurch |
| 18 & 19 August | Tauranga Arms & Militaria Show |
| 26 & 27 August | Militaria Auction, Paraparaumu |
| 1 September | Ruahine Branch Auction, Palmerston North |
| 22 September | NZAHAA HYGM & Northland Branch Auction, Whangarei |
| 10 & 11 November | Armistice in Cambridge |

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| 23 & 24 February | Shot Expo, ASB show ground Auckland |
| 8 & 9 March | NZCCC AGM, Darfield |



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