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EDITORIAL

First the good news, after hassles with the Whangarei Council over their health and safety requirements, (see page 8) I am pleased to advise that NZAHAA Northland Branch, supported by SSANZ, have taken on organising the Whangarei Hunting, Shooting & Militaria Show and have succeeded in obtaining a new venue. Please see Ad on page 20 for details.

Now the not so good news. On 29 February Police issued an internal discussion document on restructuring the Arms Act administration services. This document proposed that most of the administration be centralised at a new building in Kapatī and disestablishing most of the existing Arms Officers and part time Vetting Officers, replacing them with a much smaller number of “Field Officer”.

While centralising some aspects of firearms administration has some advantage, the loss of so many experienced Arms and Vetting Officers is seen by many as detrimental to the fundamental premise of maintaining the “fit and proper” status of firearm owners and is thus a threat to public safety. Needless to say representation is being made to both Police Minister and Opposition Parties on this matter.

Best wishes,
Phil

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Here you can research the arms used by New Zealand Military and Police.
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An Italian saber-bayonet M 1876 with captured Papal Remington M 1868 blade

By Marco Cornuda

In addition to the bayonet for the experimental rifle Glisenti M 1876 with blade manufactured in Brescia by Glisenti factory, as shown in a previous article, there is also a bayonet, for the same rifle, made with blades of bayonets for the Papal Remington M 1868 rifles. These bayonets were captured by the Italian soldiers of the Kingdom of Italy in 1870 when they invaded and annexed the Papal State and Rome became the capital of Italy.



Dimensions	mm.	in.
total length:	678	26.69
blade length:	559	22.01
blade width:	30	1.18
blade thickness:	9	0.35
MRD:	18.6	0.73

As is well known, the Remington M 1868 rifles were provided to the Papal State by the Belgian factory of the Nagant Brothers, which provided the bayonets too, but also by the English factory of Westley Richards in Birmingham, which provided only the rifles, meanwhile the bayonets were made in Solingen by August et Albert Schnitzler. The two bayonets were slightly different and not interchangeable.

The bayonet in my possession fits exactly a German scabbard while it does not fit well in a Belgian one, so I think it is an August et Albert Schnitzler production, also the German marks are still not visible on the ricasso of the blade because they are now hidden under the crossguard after the substitution of the hilt.



Bayonet in the German Scabbard

Bayonet in the Belgium Scabbard

The experimental bayonet can now indifferently fit the original all metal German scabbard and the typical Italian leather scabbard with brass top-mount locket and chape.



A long screw holds in position the checkered grips while a little one fixes the short spring opposed to the press stud. On the left side of the hilt a cog fits the grip for a better stabilization. The muzzle ring has the usual stabilizer notch.



cog on the left side of the hilt



stabilizer notch in the muzzle ring

The tang of the German captured blade has been pierced for the insertion of a pin which holds it in position and shaped for the passage of the screw which retains the grips. It has also been shortened and welded to the head of the pommel.



the right side of the tang



the left side of the tang

The low incidents of the rifle does not explain the high serial number on the crossguard (3205).



**serial number 3205
on the right side of the crossguard**

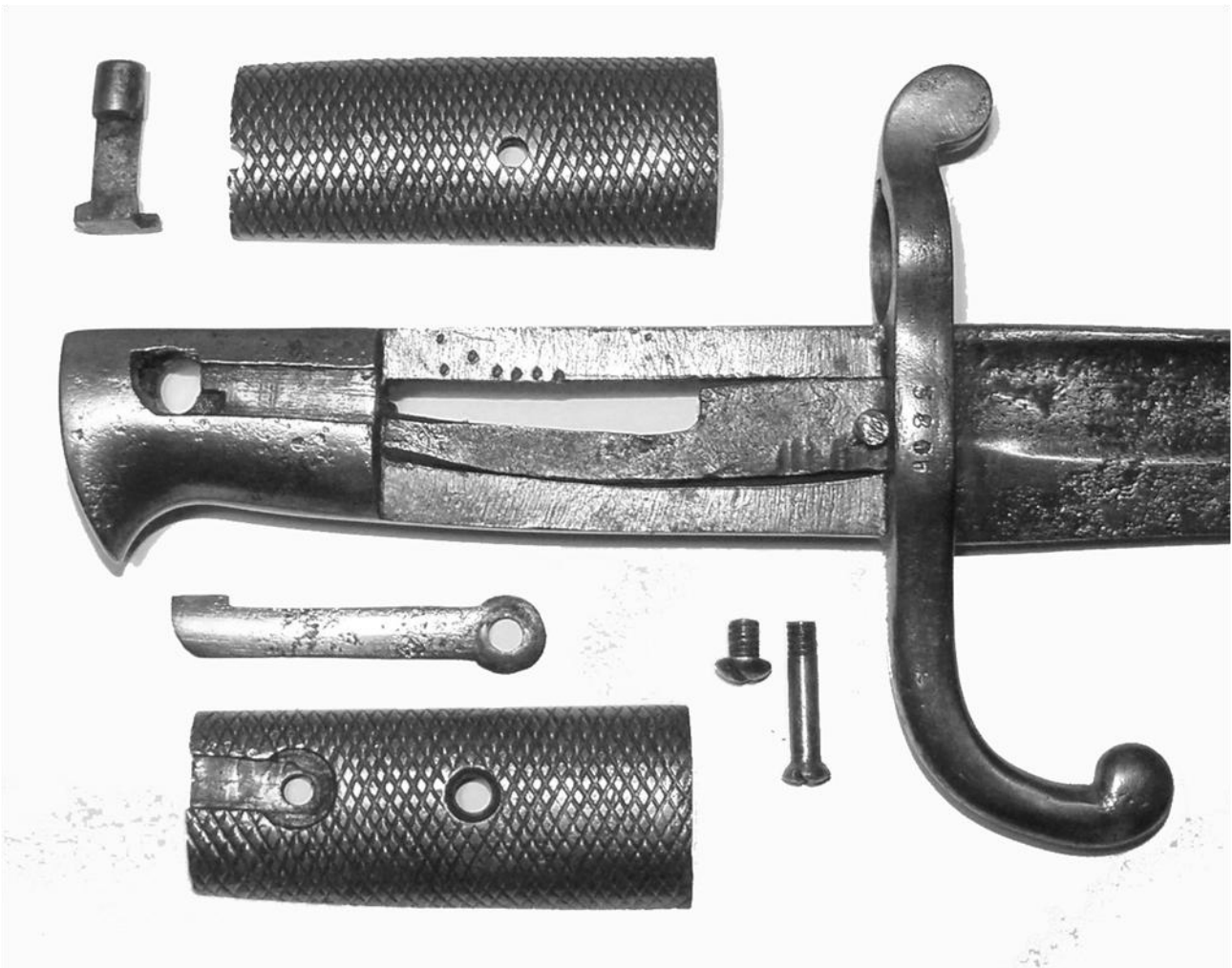


**inspection mark (BI in an oval)
on the left side of the crossguard**

The mortise slot is different than the mortise slot of the bayonet previously shown, but the distance between the tooth of the press stud and the muzzle ring (91 mm. = 3.52 in.) is compatible with the Glisenti M 1876 rifle.



the mortise slot



the disassembled hilt

MY FIRST GUN

By Mark Turner

Snider Carbine



I had never considered owning a gun. I have a deep and abiding interest in military history but hunting or target shooting, just for the sake of it, never really appealed. Then one evening we got a phone call and everything changed.

A friend of my partner's family contacted us wanting to return an 'item' that her father (deceased) had loaned their family. A bit mysterious. We set a time. He duly turned up and to everyone's surprise handed over an 1861 Snider of Enfield manufacture. No one in the family had any knowledge of it at all. Apparently it had been loaned to them for display in a pub they ran. It lived for many years in a cabinet in the public bar. When they sold the licence the Snider was stored for a time until it was returned to us. It is presumed to have been acquired by my partner's Great Grandfather. He served with the British army in the 1850's and 60's and chose to be discharged here when his unit transferred to Australia.

A bit of research indicates that it started life as a Naval P53 rifled musket. The furniture is brass and markings from the sight base, long missing, show it had a rifle length rather than a carbine length sight. It was then converted to the Snider pattern in the late 1860's. Subsequently it was shortened to carbine length (possibly for cadet use), there is no bayonet lug, and it has been smooth bored (possibly for the gaol service and maybe in that order). Finally it passed in to civilian hands. Any certainty of exactly what was done when and for what reasons has been lost in the mists of time.

It is a rather sad relic now. It is rusted. The woodwork is split and spattered with paint. The firing pin is broken or missing and the breech doesn't close properly. The extractor mechanism still works though.

So then what? I would have to get a firearms licence if we were to keep it. It may be a sad relic but it tells some part of a story relevant to our extended family and so is worth keeping. If I had to get a licence for a relic I figured I was going to get a rifle or two that worked. Ones that would speak to the family history as well. Like many New Zealand families ours has a history of service and loss through WWI and II. So it has since been joined by a couple of other ex-military rifles. Of course it never stops at one or two, does it? If someone has a Martini-Enfield in good working order, looking for a new home, I could be quite interested.



Since acquiring this Snider Mark has joined the NZAHAA and a local rifle club.

LAUGHER FLINTLOCK MUSKET

By Grant Soich

Grant describes a good quality Brown Bess Musket made by the Birmingham Trade for private purchase .



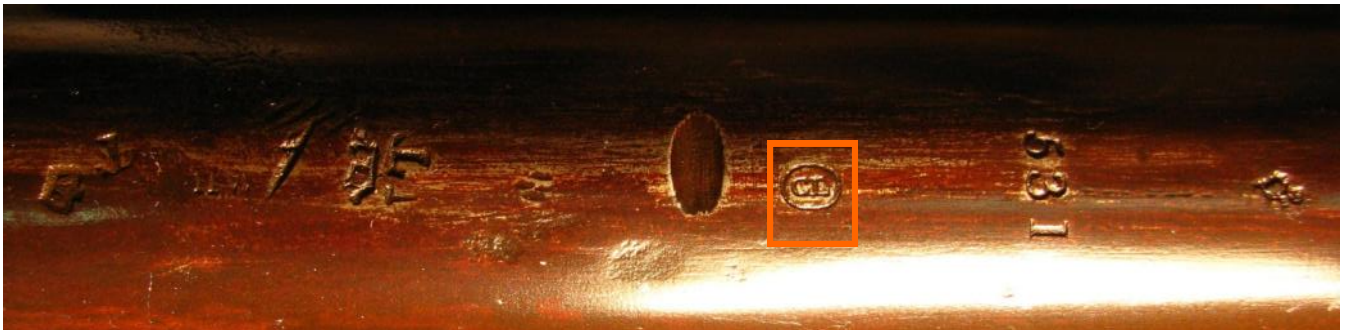
I walked past this gun at several Gun Shows before I succumbed and bought it. Basically it a flintlock musket made by C & J Laughher of Birmingham (1800 to 1820) based on the India Pat of 1795 but it's the variations and improvements that interested me.

BARRELL

The barrel is a 39" India Pattern with a bore of 0.75 inches and the breech block has a rounded tang. It has double Ordnance proof marks (crown over crossed sceptres) on the top left hand side of the barrel. This denotes it is a privately made barrel proofed by the Ordnance proof house at Tower wharf. The underside of the barrel is marked CL within a circle, could this be C Laughher or perhaps even Charles Lancaster (father of the more famous Charles William Lancaster of later fame) of 151 New Bond Street, London? The foresight is a square with a blade, the blade being unusual for a Musket of this era. It is secured to the fore-end by a tang screw and three flat keys (slotted and pinned), military muskets used pins, and is also held by the screw for the front sling mount.



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WOODWORK and FURNITURE

The butt stock is not a "hand rail stock" but a conventional one while the butt plate is India Pattern secured by two screws and tang by a lug and pin. The trigger guard is of a type used on the a Short Land New Pattern and is secured by one screw, a backward curl at the rear is open whereas the India Pattern is solid.



The Side Plate is not a military musket pattern but has been noted on some carbines and dragoon pistols of the later eighteenth century. A brass escutcheon on top of the wrist is engraved R G.

A steel ramrod is held by four brass pipes, the front two trumpeted (John Pratt patent 1777). (India Pattern muskets usually only have three).

LOCK

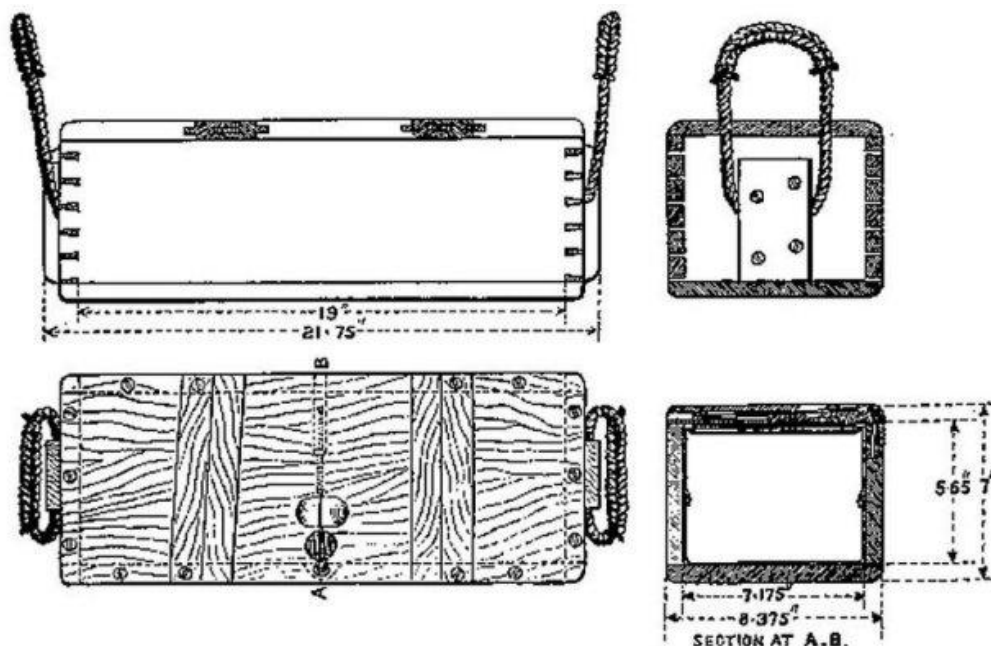


This lock plate is not a military pattern, it is stepped, flat sided and secured by two side nails and marked LAUGHER. The cock is a flat ring-neck cock type, typically found on carbines and pistols, which was in use from 1810. The frizzen spring has a roller, military muskets did not although some carbines did. There are no internal marking on the lock though it has case hardening blue and straw still present.

The ring neck cock and Ordnance private proof, discontinued in 1810, would indicate this musket was set up in 1810.

If anybody has any history of this musket and knows who the original owner RG may be I would be pleased to hear from you. Grant - soifarms@xtra.co.nz

MARTINI HENRY AMMO BOX



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Health and Safety

All shooters will recognize the need for safety rules when handling firearms, which is why we have a firearms safety test as part of the process for gaining a firearms licence. It is also why club ranges have safety rules and gun shows have precautions in place to prevent misuse in the presence of the general public.

Now it seems that people in a position of authority are using Health and Safety as a reason to bring about the closure of a long established gun show, simply because they don't appreciate the service gun shows provide to the community, as the next item will explain.

Annual Whangarei Gun Show Killed Off by Council Staffers

After holding eighteen previous gun shows, 16 of them at council administered Forum North, and all without incident, the Northland Branch of Sporting Shooters Association of New Zealand have effectively been told they are no longer welcome to use the council exhibition hall for their event by the venue managers.

Branch Secretary Phil Cregeen said - Having made our booking for 2019 we were advised in October that - "there are to be no guns or ammunition on site at Forum North going forward." - Which makes a gun show pointless. When we queried this decision with the Mayor we were told that "a Health and Safety review was underway for our gun show."

The result of the Health and Safety review was that council staff imposed a number of additional conditions on our use of the hall which include: No ammunition sales, No firearms or ammunition to be brought into the show by visitors, all visitors to pass through a metal detector and have any bags searched, no return to the show after leaving, Council contracted Security Staff to be on site throughout. The manager has also removed the organisers discounted rate for a community group to hire the hall, failing to recognise the benefits provided to the community in allowing local shooting clubs to promote their activities and for Northland shooters to buy and sell their firearms and associated gear in a safe controlled environment, as well as educating the public on firearm safety matters. To the best of our knowledge no council manager has ever visited one of our shows to see for themselves what goes on and no consultation was held with us the organisers.

The effect of these new conditions, while greatly inconveniencing both vendors and up to 700 visitors is to quadruple the operating cost of the show making it financially impossible for a small not for profit community organisation to exhibit and educate. The Council have lost sight of the fact that most exhibitors and vendors are private individuals lawfully trading their sporting and collectable goods in the same way as a community Antiques & Collectables Fair.

From the conditions imposed it would seem that Council Managers have been spooked by recent tragic shooting incidents in the USA, and now wish to cover themselves, just in case it should happen here. What they fail to realise is that New Zealand has a strict "fit and proper" person firearms regime vastly superior to and absolutely incomparable to the USA. Gun shows in New Zealand are approved by police and all sensible precautions taken by organisers to ensure public safety. The question has to be asked - will similar security conditions be applied to all future events at WDC venues and if not why not?

New options are now being investigated to ensure the show continues into the future.

The Problem of Age

In case you hadn't noticed, for many shooting clubs the average age of members is getting older, and there is a tendency for the same officers and committee members to stay in post year after year. While this may be good for a stable club and make life easy for the members the problem arises when the oldies become too frail to carry on or finally pop their clogs. When this happens the club is likely to fold through lack of people experienced in club management.

Younger shooters with energy and new ideas need to step up and take on responsibility for our sport and its survival in all its aspects, just as we need to attract young people to take up shooting if the sport is to survive.

Police Announce Changes to Licence Safety Testing

From 1 March 2019, the Firearms Safety Course will be a **three and a half** hour session delivered by firearms instructors from the New Zealand Mountain Safety Council at venues across the country.

The course will consist of two parts

- Firearms theory test (30 multiple choice questions) - to confirm understanding of the Arms Code and firearms safety practices and legislation requirements.
- Firearms practical training session – covers hands-on safe-handling of common firearms types.

Those who fail the test will get a second attempt after the practical training.

We understand the number of testing/training locations is being increased to 66. While shooters may think this appears a bit like a return to the old style of safety lectures, we should all embrace the new concept and encourage new shooters to take the course in the interest of the future of our sport.

How conscientious are you about security?

Police advise that when they investigate burglaries involving firearms it is too often determined that the firearm was not secured as required by regulations at the time of the theft. So please always secure your guns when not actually in use.

Get Real Me

If you wish to take advantage of the digital application process for Firearm Licences and the various permits that is being rolled out later this year you will need to be signed up to Real Me. Real Me is a government sponsored identity system that verifies who you say you are when dealing with agencies on line. Find out more here: <https://www.govt.nz/browse/passports-citizenship-and-identity/proving-and-protecting-your-identity/what-is-realme/>.

Fees Expected to rise soon

With the Firearm Licence fees only meeting about half of the Police budget for Arms Act administration it is predicted that these will be increased and charges made for other services, such as permits. Before this can be implemented the proposed new regulations must be approved by Cabinet before being put up for public consultation, then reassessed in light of feedback before gaining final government approval. Be prepared to have your say when the time comes.

SSANZ AGM

Saturday 2 March, 2.00 pm, Bounty Room, Forum North, Rust Ave, Whangarei. All members welcome.

National Party fronts on firearms' issues

National's shadow Police Minister Chris Bishop stood up there, fielded some fairly curly questions, had to contend with several "out-of-left-field" suggestions, took some blunt criticism on the chin, and appeared to take seriously a string of strong comments on firearms legislation from a good-sized crowd who attended the Hamilton Firearms Forum on the night of February 27.

Hamilton West National MP, Tim Macindoe, one of the organisers of the forum, counted 98 people in the audience, with Mr Bishop, MP For Hutt South and the National Party's Police spokesman as guest speaker. Hamilton East MP David Bennett and National's MP for Waikato, Tim van de Molen, also attended.

Noted Mr Bishop after more than an hour of strong question-and-answer work: "This is the biggest and best forum so far."

There were firearms owners, hunters, and shooters from all over the Waikato, from Otorohanga to the Thames Valley – and they all wanted to know "what the hell" the Police Department was doing with its proposal to do away with local firearms officers and firearms vetting officers across the country.

The forum was one of 25 to 30 being held around the country by Chris Bishop, in an effort to gauge public and firearms owners' opinion over proposed firearms legislation changes and other challenges facing lawful firearms owners.

Mr Bishop noted there were 250,000 licensed firearms holders across the country, and many had voted against National at the last election because it had an inadequate firearms plan.

"We are now engaging with the community to find out what is not working," he said, "and we are putting together a policy for the 2020 election manifesto. The Labour Party has a review of the Arms Act going on, but the Minister is not saying what that is. Just today there has been a call for a national register of firearms.

"We are concerned at the proposal to do away with the licensed firearms vetters and the arms officers across the country," he said. "We believe the current system is working and is good."

Questions came thick and fast from across the floor, from hunters, pistol and gun club members, and a range of other firearms owners, with many noting that lawful firearms owners were being persecuted while those who committed serious crimes involving firearms were often inadequately dealt with by the courts. Sentences for such offences were usually weak, and some suggested judges who gave such "pathetic" sentences should be held to account.

Said one floor-speaker: "The courts are not using the penalties that are available to them, and they don't treat breaches of the gun laws seriously."

Mr Bishop said in response: "We will be looking at imposing tougher penalties. We may also set up a separate firearms authority to administer the firearms laws and to advise Government on firearms issues, rather than rely on the police to do this."

Several speakers said that the current local vetting officers acted as "the eyes and ears" for police in their local communities – they knew local people, understood the communities, were readily available to provide the services required, and did an enormous amount of work visiting individuals and homes. All this would be lost if the proposed central checking system was put into practice.

One of Mr Bishop's final comments drew a round of applause from the floor, when he said: "The proposed plan to do away with local arms officers and vetting officers appears to be putting public safety at risk, for the sake of a few million bucks."

He said that if the proposal goes ahead, the National Party would rescind the scheme if it became Government in 2020.

EREBUS By Michael Palin

This is the fascination story of a ship and the men who sailed in her that was responsible for much early exploration in both the Arctic and Antarctic Oceans. Built in 1826 at Millford Haven as a Bomb Ship carrying two giant mortars, 13 inch and 10 inch, she was relatively small but heavily constructed. *HMS Erebus* served in the Mediterranean until she was paid off in 1830.

Between 1839 and 1843, under the command of Captain James Clark Ross, *Erebus* in company with *Terror* circumnavigated the globe and made two attempts to reach the Southern Magnetic Pole, sailing further south than any before her, before being stopped by what we know today as the Ross Ice Shelf. The expedition was also the first to establish the existence of the Antarctic Continent, which they claimed for Queen Victoria on 12 January 1841. Mount Erebus an active volcano with its now tragic link to New Zealand aviation history was first sighted 10 days later.

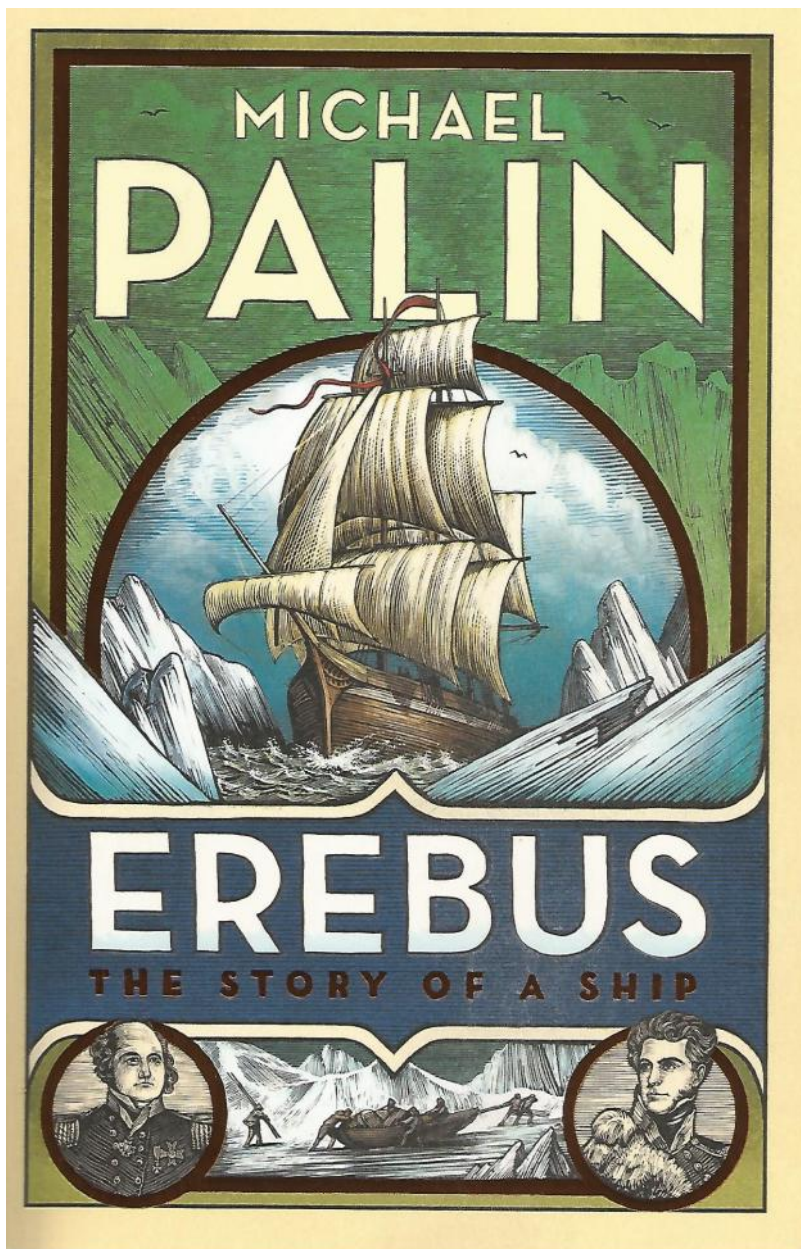
Although Hobart was her main refitting and supply base she also visited New Zealand, calling at Auckland and Campbell Islands in 1840 and the Bay of Islands in 1842. Following a second voyage to the Ross Sea in the summer of 1842 *Erebus* sailed on via Cape Horn to the Falkland Island. In the summer of 1843 they attempted to penetrate south in the Weddell Sea but were blocked by pack ice and so returned to England.

In 1845 *Erebus* was refitted to undertake Sir John Franklins' expedition to the Arctic in search of the North-West Passage setting sail in company with *Terror* again on 9 May. After wintering off Beechey Island in 1845/46 the ships become beset by ice off King William Island in September. The crew remained with the ship until 1848, by then 24 had died and the survivors attempted to walk out but all perished.

Three relief expeditions were mounted from England in 1847-48 but nothing was found until 1859 when a note left by survivors was discovered. It was not until 2014 *Erebus* and 2016 *Terror* that the final resting places of the ships were found.

In describing the history of this famous ship, Michael Palin interweaves the trials and tribulations and outstanding achievements of these early explorers.

The book is available from most book shops for \$40.



A LOCAL GUN MAKER By Phil Cregeen

I am often impressed by the skills that people display in the things that they create by way of a hobby. One such person is Ian Mander who has recently become a member of our Northland collecting and shooting community. Ian makes and restores guns. How it came about, he told me, was that he wanted to find out how guns were made in the 1700 and 1800s, but he could find no books that described the various processes, so he decided to make one and learn the hard way. This was his first attempt:

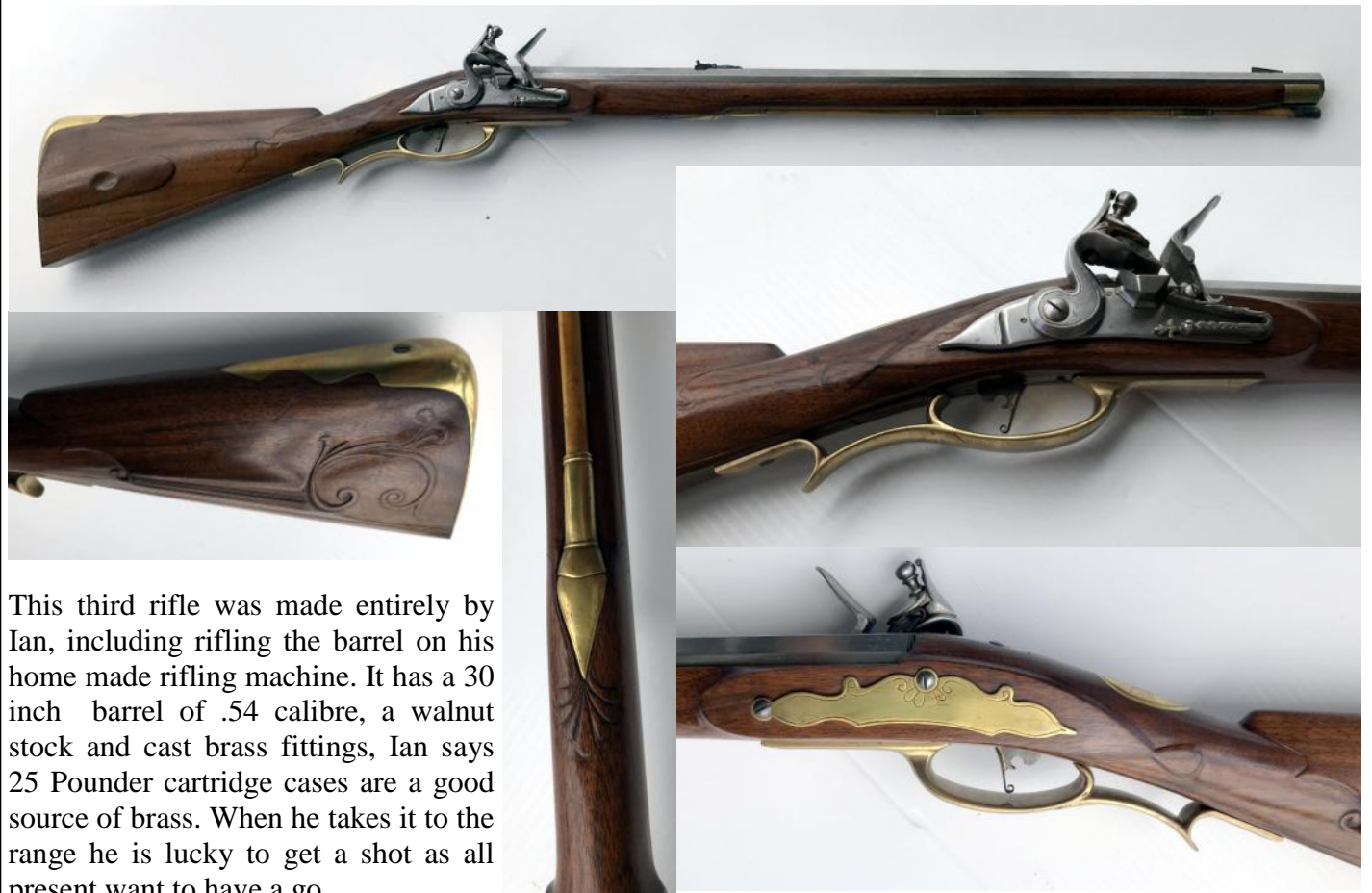


This first gun (above) is a copy of an American pre - 1800 Long Rifle. It has a smoothbore barrel of 40 inches and a calibre of .54 inches. The stock came from timber recovered from an old mantle shelf, Ian making all the metal parts himself. He proofed it with a triple load of powder and double shot. It shoots OK but is very muzzle heavy.



This second gun was made using a bought Green Mountain rifled barrel of .45 calibre from the USA and a bought lock. The stock is American Black Walnut, Ian made this and all the other fittings.





This third rifle was made entirely by Ian, including rifling the barrel on his home made rifling machine. It has a 30 inch barrel of .54 calibre, a walnut stock and cast brass fittings, Ian says 25 Pounder cartridge cases are a good source of brass. When he takes it to the range he is lucky to get a shot as all present want to have a go.



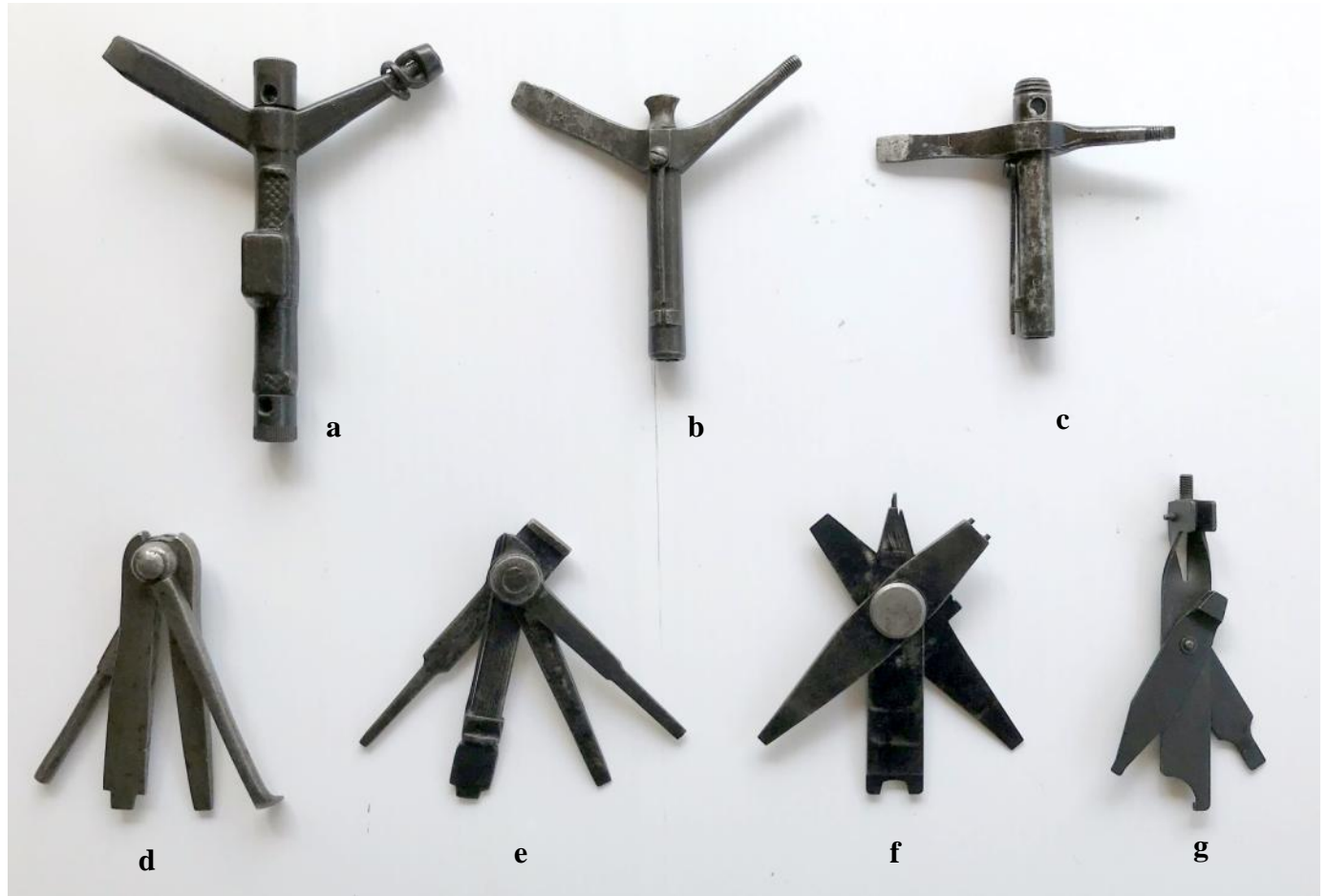
Finally Ian's latest project is to build a Baker Rifle. The full size photograph was scaled up by a local printer from the illustration in a book .

Next month I will bring you some of Ian's restoration projects.

Are you a talented gun maker or restorer, or do you know one who you can write about, send your stories to me for inclusion in future issues. I know you are out there!

ACCESSORIES

Combination Tools by Phil Cregeen



Here is a selection of soldiers combination tools for British service rifles, that I have collected over the years.

The top row are all for the P 53 Enfield Rifle and its various derivatives, dating from the 1860s and were issued to sergeants with clamp and privates without. All contain an oil bottle, nipple wrench, screwdriver and worm for withdrawing a charge from the bore, missing from **b & c**, the latter two also having a pricker and **a** has a spring clamp. I believe **a** is a modern reproduction. They are referred to in the List of Changes as Nipple Wrenches. A wrench similar to **c** without the worm was issued to privates for use with the Westley Richards Breech Loading (Monkey Tail) rifle and carbine by LOC #1220 dated 15 May 1865.

The bottom row are tools for: **d** Snider rifle, **e** Martini Henry, **f** SMLE, **g** L1A1 SLR.

- d.** I believe is for the Nepalese Snider, as in British service the Enfield nipple wrench was used.
- e.** Implement, Action for Martini Henry Breech-loading Arms introduced in 1874, it contains a large and small screwdriver, a special screwdriver for the stop nut, a pricker, a multi purpose punch and a clamp.
- f.** Implement, Action for SMLE, various similar tools were issued to Armourers for the stripping of Lee Enfield rifles from 1890 onwards, this one being for the SMLE. It contains three sizes of screw driver, a key for the dial sight, extract spring remover, magazine link opener, bayonet stud nut remover and firing pin protrusion gauge.
- g.** Combination Tool, 7.62 mm Rifle Mk I, is contained in the cleaning kit issued with the L1A1 rifle and includes two screwdriver, a foresight adjuster, a spanner for the gas port regulator and a screw to hold the chamber cleaning brush.

UPDATE ON FIREARM ISSUES By FCAF Rep Andrew Edgcombe

Here is an update on current firearms matters, there have been a couple of things announced publicly by Police that I will give some viewpoints on. *Please note these are my personal views based on discussions within FCAF meetings or by direct consultation with Police.*

The Brokerage Bill has been passed in Parliament. This is a Bill that aligns NZ policy/legislation with the UN policy on brokerage and is a direct result of NZ being a signatory to the UN Arms Trade Treaty. Its high level and politically motivated, and we tow the line to preserve our seat on the UN Security Council. Is this an issue for NZ hunters, shooters, collectors or importers and exporters? In short the answer is no. I have given you updates on this before in my COLFO reports but now the bill has been passed and its being publically broadcast by the press as a move towards gun control it is time to remind people of what it's really all about.

Brokerage is as follows. If I was to purchase a container of M16's, M40 grenade launchers, and SAM's from some random European country (without leaving the comfort of my office in NZ) and arrange for the shipment to land in some obscure African nation without passing through NZ that is brokerage. If the shipment came from the country of origin to New Zealand as the destination country before being re exported then it would not be considered as brokerage as it would then require export permits and import permits for the new destination which is controlled by MFAT (Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade), giving the shipments clear paper trails. Nor would any shipment staying in NZ for distribution to collectors, shooters etc be impacted. The intention of the bill is to reduce the illicit transfer of arms internationally; the requirement as far as any would be brokers in NZ are concerned is that they need to register as brokers with MFAT and should their business undertake such transactions those transactions should be executed in accordance with UN requirements. I hope that helps clarify things.

Disestablishment of Arms Officer and vetting officer positions. This was announced publically a few days ago, I was privy to this information which was disclosed at our December FCAF meeting. This was not to be discussed outside of the meeting as the Police did not want any such announcements made while they worked through final details. Obviously the disestablishment of positions was going to impact a lot of people. I have to respect that we are to a large degree in a position of trust with regard to privileged information. Why were the positions disestablished? The Firearms Service and Delivery is being modernized, many transactions will become digital, services are being centralized to Wellington. The reason being that we the firearms community via public meetings and general feedback has said consistency of service is an ongoing issue. With a centralized service Police are able to provide a more consistent service delivery (in theory). Sworn officers will do checks that the AO currently undertakes, I have pushed the need for training here at every opportunity, these guys need to know what and who they are dealing with. It may transpire that there is dedicated staff retained for firearms roles; I hope this will be the case. Like any change I'm sure there will be teething issues, the system will no doubt evolve. Any problems that arise should be dealt with and feedback good or bad helps with gauging the effectiveness of any new system. Keep the dialogue up, let me know if there are issues and lets see if we can help evolve the system if we pick up on any deficiencies. NOTE: the paper based option for applications etc will still be available if required.

Firearms License training and testing. This is an example of a system evolving to meet service delivery requirements. The original separate online test and practical training was creating some issues, now the intention is to have testing and training as one module. The training will be more frequent in more locations around the country. This should also enable one on one coaching if there are issues with applicants who may have difficulty with reading or comprehension. I believe it is a positive result that Police recognized that there was a deficiency in the new training regime and they have moved rapidly to improve the situation.

MEET IAN SKENNERTON

World Renowned Researcher and Author Ian Skennerton will, for the first time ever, be attending the 2019 Kumeu Militaria Show on 23 March

A full list of titles is available at <http://www.skennerton.com/>

Purchases in NZ are available via Graeme Barber his NZ distributor at:

<http://gunshows.co.nz/wordpress/books/>

Ian's mantra is that there is no substitute for first hand research material, and 'buy the Rifle and not the Story'.

Therefore, for the discerning collector, his publications (be they hard covered, soft covered or digital) are pure 'GOLD'.

Attending the Kumeu Militaria Show, with co researchers and writers Brian Labudda and Graeme Barber, Ian will be:

selling his books (including some out of print and rare copies) and DVDs, and signing previously purchased books and sharing his knowledge.

We look forward to seeing you there!!!



FROM OUR READERS

From Mark Chilcott

Hi Phil,

The Ruahine Arms Fair now has it's own website so we can get the word out and keep people updated. I wonder if you could put a note to that effect in the next E-gazette please ? Address is....

<https://www.ruahinearmsfair.co.nz>

Thanks, Mark

CAN YOU HELP?

Carl Rofe would like to know if any one can identify this sight cover.

The muzzle protector that Carl Rofe would like to identify is for an Argentinean Mauser M1891 rifle. Refers Mauser Military Rifles of the World, 5t Edition by Robert W.D. Ball, Page 9.

Cheers, Brian Farrell



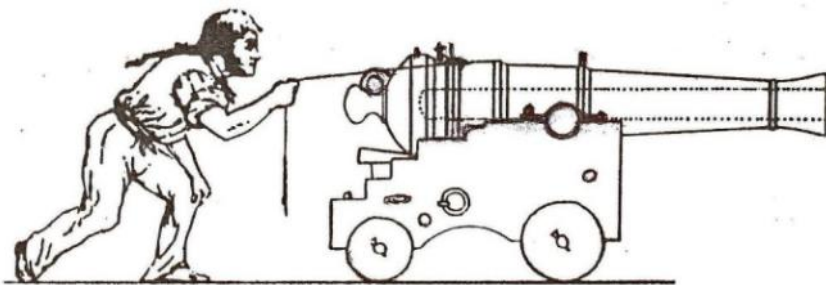
Copper Paper Knife

Made from the copper driving band of a fired artillery shell. Can anyone tell me is it from a British, French or German shell? The pattern on the inside of the band may be a clue.



British Ordnance Wanted for Ruapekpeka Pa Site

The **Department of Conservation** are seeking examples of British Ordnance used at the battle of Ruapekapeka to go on display in time for the 175th anniversary commemorations in two years time. These can be original or reproduction pieces. The following were used in the battle: 3 x Naval 32 pounder, 1 x Naval 18 pounder, 2 x 12 pounder howitzers, 1 x 6 pounder brass gun, 4 x mortars, 2 x rocket tubes.



12 and 18 pounder Naval Gun



Coehorn mortar



12 Pound Howitzer



6 Pound Gun

Any information on the location of original guns, for use as patterns, or sources for obtaining reproductions in NZ or overseas would be much appreciated. Please reply to oilyrag@xtra.co.nz

FOR SALE

The following lots remaining from the Northland September auction are offered for sale at the reserve price as listed below. Contact Phil oilrag@xtra.co.nz or Arnie forarnie@gmail.com
Please contact Arnie for all B and C Cat items.

Lot No	Category	Description	Reserve
006	Misc	Bianchi # 12 Small revolver light brown leather leg holster VGC	20
106	Sword	Pattern 1796 Spadroon, 32.5 in blade, brass hilt, No scabbard, GC	400
114	Air Rifle	.177 cal Winchester Model 1000. Break-barrel type with black synthetic stock. Fibre optic sights, fitted with Huntsman 4x32 scope and Hawke laser sight VGC.	300
148	Revolver	H & R Premier, .32 cal, Good blue, worn grips, minor rust speckles, GC, serial # 223244, CLR	480
150	Revolver	Smith & Wesson M 10-7, .38 cal, GC, serial # AEP 2399, CLR	450
176	Sword	1886-1986 Police Commemorative sword, 29.85 in etched blade, brass gilded hilt, chromed scabbard, EC	600
255	Revolver	Smith & Wesson M & P, .38 cal, shows minor wear, GC, serial # 706636, CLR	400
260	Revolver	Harrington & Richardson Hammerless, .32 cal, some rust speckles, 70% blue remains, GC, serial # 131117, CLR	280
261	Revolver	Colt M 1878, .476 cal, grey patina, pitting to cylinder and bore, FC, serial # 15448, CLR	380
262	Revolver	Adams M 1872 Mk II, .450 cal, grey patina, with holster, GC, serial # 17045, CLR	1400
321	Rifle	Winchester Mod 1904, .22 cal, metal a grey patina, tidy wood, GC, ALR	150
350	Pistol	Colt M1906, .32 cal, grey patina, showing wear, GC, serial # 113772, CLR	320
421	Air Pistol	NORICAD Break Barrel type, .177, made in Spain, black plastic stock GWO&C	100

BUY SELL OR SWAP *List items free for two issues (* indicates final listing)*

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***WANTED:** Action or action parts for 22 BSA target Rifles don't have to look pretty but not not broken.
Contact Tim tann@xtra.co.nz 0211013213

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WANTED: Hitler youth knife and SA dagger. Must be original.
Phone Steve 0273806118 or email steven.sadler@otago.ac.nz.

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

Last months (below left), was correctly identified by Andrew Edgcombe who said it was the firing pin of a Vickers MG



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A trailer for Peter Jacksons excellent Documentary about WW I - They Shall Not Grow Old

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IrabKK9Bhds>

Police update on Visitor Permits/Licences

<https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/firearms-and-safety/news-and-updates>

UP COMING EVENTS - If you have dates for events in 2019 please advise oilyrag@xtra.co.nz

2019

23 &24 February	Shot Expo, ASB show ground, Auckland
24 February	Central Branch Gun Show, Otorohanga
8 & 9 March	NZCCC AGM, Darfield
17 March	Canterbury Branch Fun/Cannon Shoot.
23 March	Kumeu Militaria Show
6 April	South Canterbury Branch Auction
13 April	Hawkes Bay Branch Gun Show, Napier
18 May	Ruahine Arms Fair, Palmerston North
8 June	Northland Branch Gun Show, Whangarei
20 July	MAMs Guns Show, Christchurch
17 & 18 August	Tauranga Arms & Militaria Show
7 September	Ruahine Branch Auction
14 Sept	Canterbury Branch Auction

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South Island Run: We are currently planning our annual run to the South Island sometime in March so those South Island people wanting to have items collected please let us know as soon as possible. Dates to be confirmed.

North Island Run: Also, on the planner is a trip to North Island locations. Details will be advised in due course.

With a positive response to the new venue we have booked for the same place this year. We would advise that you make your accommodation bookings early as Porirua is a handy location for large events.

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Danny - 021 336 207 & Clayton - 021 034 0605
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We will be at the following Gun shows and are available to pick up lots for the auction on the way:
Otorohanga Gun Show on February 23/24 2019
 We are doing a North Island run going up to the **Kumeu Gun Show on 23 March** picking up lots on the way there and back
 We will also be doing a South Island run, date to be advised.

NZ Antique & Historical Arms Association (Hawke's Bay Branch) Inc

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