

NZAR ID A5 Vickers Maxim POM POM Automatic Cannon Cal 37mm (1 pounder)

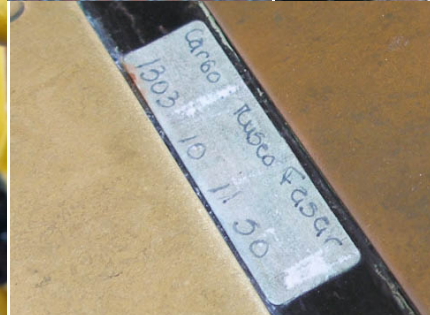
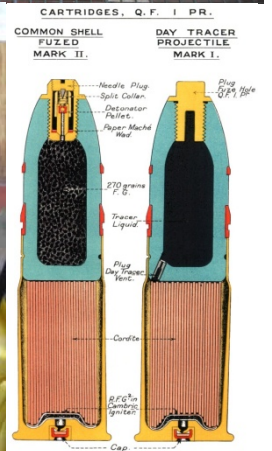
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The QF 1 pounder, universally known as the pom-pom due to the sound of its discharge, was a 37 mm British auto-cannon, the first of its type in the world. It was used by several countries initially as an infantry gun and later as a light anti-aircraft gun. They were used by Australian and British in South Africa c1901, refer image below top left. So far unconfirmed that at least one was manned by NZ Mounted Rifles in the Boer War. It was the smallest artillery piece of the Boer War. It fired a one pound shell accurately to 3,000 yards. The barrel was water cooled and the shells were belt-fed from a 25 round fabric belt. In World War I it was used in the trenches of the Western Front against aircraft. Research continues.



"CANÓN AUTOMÁTICO VICKERS-MAXIM POM POM"
CALIBRE 37 MM.
Ametralladora pesada fabricada en Inglaterra por Vickers, Sons & Maxim.
Disparaba proyectiles explosivos a 4.100 metros. Se usó a inicios del siglo XX, en unidades como el acorazado "Capitán Prat" y el crucero "Esmeralda"

AUTOMATIC CANNON "VICKERS-MAXIM POM POM"
CAL - 37 MM
Heavy machine gun made by Vickers, Sons & Maxim, Great Britain. It could shoot explosive shells up to 4.100 metres (4483 yards). In service aboard the battleships "Capitán Prat" and cruiser "Esmeralda" during the early XXth century.



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