

# Historical archaeological site card

Regulation 27

## Instructions to complete form

### Who should complete this form?

A person who discovers a site that should be recorded on the Heritage Inventory. This form must be completed in accordance with Heritage Victoria's *Guidelines for Conducting Historical Archaeological Surveys* available at [www.heritage.vic.gov.au](http://www.heritage.vic.gov.au).

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Please note: all sections must be completed. Incomplete forms will be returned to the applicant which may result in delays.

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*Heritage Inventory number and name*

*Date received*

*Date accepted*

*Hermes Number*

## 1. Place details

Place name: Warrnambool Rifle Range

Heritage Inventory Number (if any): NOT LISTED

Other or former names: Thunder Point Rifle Range, Shelly Beach Rifle Range

Municipal Council: Warrnambool City Council

Address: 55 Elliot Street, Warrnambool, (Allotment 12)

Geographical coordinates (GDA94 or WGS84) expressed in degrees and decimals of a degree:  
-38.393776 / 142.461118.

Mapsheet name and number (1:100,000 only): 7321-7421, WARRNAMBOOL-MORTLAKE.

## 2. Cadastral location

County: Villiers

Parish: Wangoom

Township: Warrnambool

Section:

Allotment: 12

Standard Parcel Identifier (SPI): 12~74\PP5841

## 3. Details of site owner or land manager (where known)

Title: Mr.

First Name: Simon

Surname: Perrin

Business or organization name: Wannon Water

Position title:

Address: 25 Gateway Road, Warrnambool, VIC 3280

Email address: simon.perrin@wannonwater.com.au

Telephone: 03 5565 6750

## 4. Details of site occupier (where known)

Title: Site is unoccupied

First Name:

Surname:

Business or organization name:

Position title:

Address:

Email address:

Telephone:

## 5. Aboriginal cultural values

Site has known Aboriginal values \*No

Site is recorded on the Victorian  
Aboriginal Heritage Register \*No

## 6. Current description of site

Remnant features associated with the former rifle range comprise an earthen embankment-backstop, or butts, at the downrange extent of the range. This is skirted by a constructed trench, set into the embankment and extending along the embankment's northern boundary. The trench was utilized by range operators to change targets while the range was in use. Although degraded, the trench is intact and displays masonry, timbres and steel components. Sections of the trench at its eastern and western extent are roofed with corrugated iron, however sections of this roofing have collapsed. The trench also contains materials associated with the ranges operation, particularly systems used to raise/ lower targets. Corroded pully systems and metal target frames are present as well as paper rifle-targets. Spent munitions are apparent on the embankment and surrounding surfaces.

Date recorded: 18/12/17

On Victorian Heritage Register \*No

On Heritage Overlay \*No

Associated sites:

No Associated sites

## 7. Place history

The original construction of the rifle range is attributed to the 1850's-60s and associated with the formation of the Warrnambool Volunteer Rifle Brigade. Specific mention of the brigade is made in a newspaper article printed in 1862.

A number of newspaper articles published in the late 1800's refers to the use of the butts. It is evident from these that the range was used by a number of cadets and rifle clubs, including Port Fairy, (Belfast), Portland, and Terang. Several newspaper articles published in the late 1800's and early 1900 report on the outcomes of rifle competitions held at the range. The early construction of the range suggests that manual methods were utilised. A 1948 aerial image displays the range prior to these works (Figure 1), with a red line marking the extent of the trench. This area retains fabrics most likely associated with the initial construction of the site.

Works to repair or develop the range were undertaken during the mid-late 1900's. Materials used for the works included cement besa bricks in the trench walls, and lengths of metal train line as supports (see plates included below). The works also included the construction of a storage section at the eastern extent of the trench, with a corrugated iron roofed. While a photograph from 1977 clearly shows the roofed storage area at the eastern end of the trench, indicated on Figure 2 below.

A 1976 news article details a dispute between the Warrnambool Rifle Club and the Warrnambool City Council over a consideration to relocate the range to a location further from the city. The article sights the usage of the range by Warrnambool Rifle Club since 1890, and its unique quality of being able to accommodate up to 100 shooters partaking in team shooting events. The range continued to operate until 1993 when it was closed to make way for the waste water treatment plant.

Relevant newspaper articles are attached.





Figure 1: 1948 aerial image of the rifle butts and trench along its northern face. The extent of the trench is indicated by a red line. (Victorian State Government- Photo Mosaics: <http://services.land.vic.gov.au/maps/photomaps.jsp>).



Figure 2: 1977 aerial image of the rifle butts and trench along its northern face with eastern roofed component visible (Google earth).

## 8. Analysis of site (interpretation)

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The site functioned as a rifle range for in excess of 100 years and represents the recreational practice of small arms target shooting in the Warrnambool district during this period.

Remnant features associated with the range comprise the rifle butts and associated trench. The range is covered by coastal scrub regrowth.

Materials evident at the site indicate at least two phases of development; early features within the trench are characterized by eroded masonry and weathered timbers. Sections of the original trench are visibly cut into subsurface calcarenite deposits which display evidence of weathering.

Subsequent development and repair is evidenced by emplaced steel and timber supports along the original trench structure, and the presence of intact and relatively un-weathered besa bricks and a covered eastern section with corrugated iron sheet roofing. The earth embankment contains car tires visible within the eastern portion of the embankment. Images of the features are included below (Plates 3-15).

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## 9. Statement of Significance

### Significance

The following thematic framework is taken from *Victoria's Framework of Historical Themes* document issued by Heritage Victoria and a discussion of which is part of the Historical archaeological assessment of VHI.<sup>1</sup> The themes are intended to assist in identifying, assessing, interpreting and managing heritage places and objects. It encourages a comprehensive approach to heritage identification and protection and provides a comparative context for deeper understanding of the significance of places and objects. Of the nine themes provided by Victoria's Framework of Historical Themes, the Warrnambool Rifle Range directly relates to the following:

#### 09 Shaping cultural and creative life

As established under the Framework of Historical Themes, this theme displays Victoria's cultural life in its many facets: sport, arts, popular culture and science. It highlights the passion for sport that typifies Australian society and shows Victoria's leading role in developing some of the nation's major sporting events and games.

Subtheme:

#### *9.1 Participating in sport and recreation*

- Forming local sports clubs

Furthermore, the concept of cultural significance is discussed in The Burra Charter (Australia ICOMOS 1999) which defines 'cultural significance' as "aesthetic, historical, scientific, social or spiritual value for past, present or future generations" (2013:2).<sup>2</sup> These are four categories (values) against which the cultural heritage significance of the VHI site within the study area can be assessed. The table below presents the listed values and levels of significance of

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<sup>1</sup> Victoria's Framework of Historical Themes: [http://www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/\\_\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0003/219261/Victoria\\_Framework\\_Historical\\_Themes\\_themes.pdf](http://www.dtpli.vic.gov.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0003/219261/Victoria_Framework_Historical_Themes_themes.pdf) - accessed 18/07/2016.

<sup>2</sup> The Burra Charter: The Australia ICOMOS Chart for Place of Cultural Heritage Significance (2013): <http://australia.icomos.org/wp-content/uploads/The-Burra-Charter-2013-Adopted-31.10.2013.pdf> - accessed 18/08/2016

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the Warrnambool Rifle Range, as identified in Heritage Victoria's (2008) Guidelines for Conducting Historical Archaeological Surveys.

**Table 1: Significance of Warrnambool Rifle Range**

Cultural Significance	Significance Description	Level of Significance
Aesthetic	The place is a prominent within the immediate landscape.	Low
Historical	The site is representative of the formation of the Warrnambool Volunteer Rifle Brigade and subsequent Warrnambool Rifle Club. The site was utilised by members of the local community for a period exceeding 100 years. It remnant features demonstrates retain early fabrics associated with the original construction of the site, as well as subsequent phases of development the late 20 <sup>th</sup> century.	Moderate
Scientific	Further investigation of the place has potential to reveal new information about processes or practices with respect to the development and use of small arms munitions throughout the late 1800's and 1900's.	Low-Moderate
Social or Spiritual	The place is important to a group within the local community because of long use and association deriving from its use by local clubs for a period exceeding 100 years.	Low

The study area is significant as it represents a recreational activity practiced at the location that dates to the late 19<sup>th</sup> century and continuing through to the late 20<sup>th</sup> century. Archaeological deposits and constructed features and materials remain at the location. This includes the original trench and embankment, and associated structures, as well as spent munitions deposited at the site during its use. The artefactual material from the site has the potential to inform questions regarding the operation of rifle ranges and may also address questions regarding the development or typologies of small-arms ammunition used during this period.

## 10. Suggested Protection

- Heritage Inventory
- Victorian Heritage Register
- Heritage Overlay

## 11. Threat

Is the place under any threat? If so, what is the threat?

Land including the rifle butts and associated trench is within the footprint of a proposed development that will result in the destruction of the features in their entirety.

## 12. References / Informants

Please list books or other sources that may provide historical information about this place.

News articles and information provided by Wannon Water and the Warrnambool & District Historical Society Inc.

## 13. Attachments

Please attach the following to this form:

- X A map showing the location of the site. Map must clearly identify recorded area and include any street addresses (e.g. excerpt from Melway and its reference numbers)
- X A plan showing all archaeological features, and any built cultural heritage. (The plan must be labelled, and scale noted – e.g. 1: 100,000)
- X Photographs of the site (you may include historical photographs, historical plans, and historic maps)
- X Any other documents or notes produced as a result of the survey.

## 14. Recording archaeologist's details

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Surname: Jones

Business or organization name: Andrew Long and Associates

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Telephone: 03 9470 9222

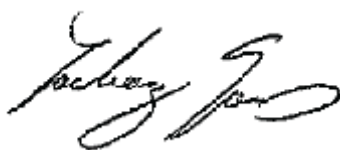


## 15. Statement

I state that the information I have given on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name: Zachary Jones

Signature:



Date: 23/01/2018



Figure 3: Western extent of the trench, showing collapsed roofing of corrugated iron sheeting. Facing east.



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Figure 4 Facing the western extent of the rifle butts from an unsealed access road





Figure 5 Top of the rifle butts facing east across the feature. The northern face of the butts is to the left of shot and slopes down to the trench.





Figure 6 Top of the rifle butts facing west. The northern face of the butts is to the right of shot and slopes down to the trench.





Figure 7 Top of the rifle butts facing south, up face of embankment. Western end



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Figure 8 Spent rifle bullet visible on the butts.





Figure 9 Spent rifle bullets at entrance to rabbit burrow within the butts.





Figure 10 Constructed trench at forward (northern) face of rifle butts. Timber and masonry construction material visible. Steel components of target frames and pulley system evident. Rolled rifle targets are also visible at base of trench.





Figure 11 Constructed trench at forward (northern) face of rifle butts. Timbre and masonry construction material visible as well as steel components of target frames.





Figure 12 Constructed trench at forward (northern) face of rifle butts.





Figure 13 Roofed eastern extent of trench, identified as a storage area. The roofing of the sub-surface trench is at ground level and constructed from galvanized corrugated iron.





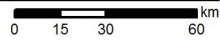
Figure 14 Recent components of trench at eastern extent. Materials used include masonry, and iron components, including supports made from reused rail track





Figure 15 Eastern section of trench appears to be of newer construction. Materials used include masonry and reused railway track. Steel target frame visible in centre of shot.



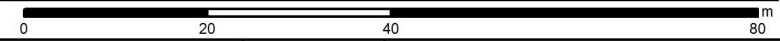


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Photomap showing the area of the former Warrnambool rifle range  
Warrnambool City

**Legend**

- Former Warrnambool rifle range
- Property parcel
- Road
- Water area
- Built-up area



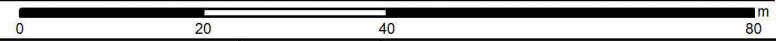
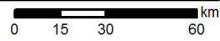
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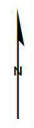




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<b>PROJECT:</b> Survey Area: <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">1B</span> ID: <span style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Butts</span> <i>i.e. 1,2,3, etc.</i> Site: <i>i.e. VHI, VHR etc.</i>  Property: _____  Access: <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N Area m <sup>2</sup> : _____ Limitations: <u>Dangerous 'mines.'</u> <u>Collapsed iron roofing over trench</u> Holt _____ Date: <u>18/12/17</u> Weather: <u>Overcast</u> Recorder: <u>BHi, LTE</u> Photograph ID range: _____ + Last DGPS AF point used: _____	<b>Site Land Use:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Residential/Gardens <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant <input type="checkbox"/> Paddock <input type="checkbox"/> Bushland <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reserve/park <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Church <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery <input type="checkbox"/> School <input type="checkbox"/> Playground <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heritage/Crown <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<b>Surface Cover:</b> .....% Vegetation: <input type="checkbox"/> Lawn <input type="checkbox"/> Grass <input type="checkbox"/> Long Grass <input type="checkbox"/> Shrub <input type="checkbox"/> Exotic plants <input type="checkbox"/> Tree(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Exotic Tree(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Forest <input type="checkbox"/> Forest Litter Architecture: <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Pavement/slab <input type="checkbox"/> Path/driveway <input type="checkbox"/> Tank <input type="checkbox"/> Feature <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ Exposure off cover: <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Low (0-30%) <input type="checkbox"/> Mod (30-60%) <input type="checkbox"/> High (60-100%) <input type="checkbox"/> Dam <input type="checkbox"/> Track		
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**Notes:**  
 western extent of E2 + trench (entrance) w/ shelter structure. materials include timber posts, nails, corrugated iron sheets, + walling.  
 Condition - walls ~~are~~ standing.  
 Timber frames - (inside "shed" storage area) - fabric/paper = w/ red print - lg lettering. (inserts) (target?)  
 - floor - dirt/sand - leaf litter, rubble.  
 limestone bricks, slabs (timbers). Diff. foam glass bottles  
 modern cleno/disturbance. timber frame

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	NW Corner Butts trench post.				Photo 11:06am
	NW corner Looking South - Embankment 2 (E2)				11:09am
	NW corner Looking East - E2 + trench with shelter.				<del>11:22</del> 11:32
	Inside "shed" - timber frames - poss. for targets.				11:22.
	facing <del>West</del> East			close up of inside "shed"	11:26.
	- western end trench - facing N-E (overgrown)				11:46
	* Trench is overgrown with 2m grasses, rubble fill, iron roof collapse - inaccessible.				
	* Trench retaining wall/embankment retaining wall constructed w/ iron posts and large limestone bricks, exhibits graffiti, substantial veg regrowth on embankment, and trench between E1 and E2				
	- fence E2 + trench facing East				
	- middle section E1 + Trench, facing North, NE, NW.				12:30

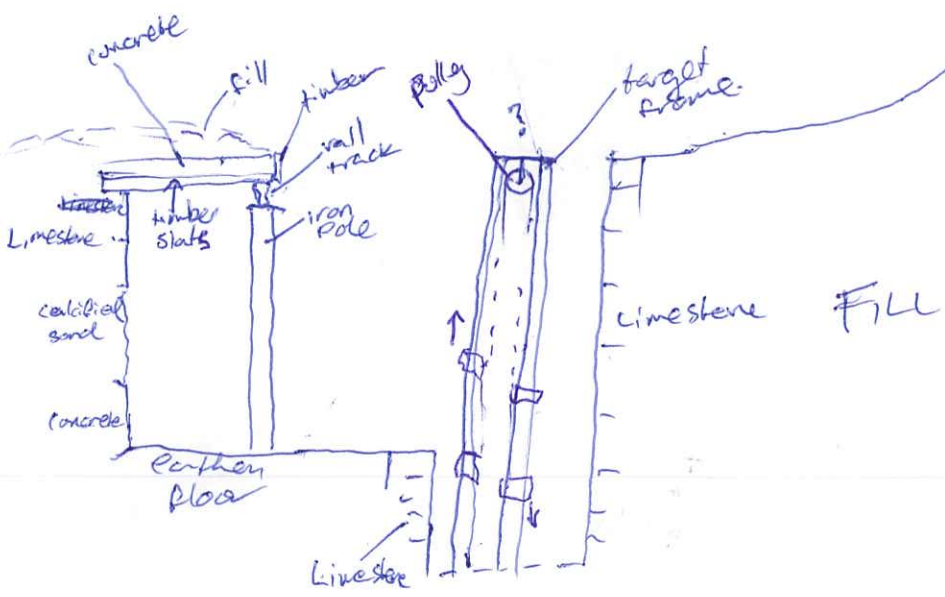
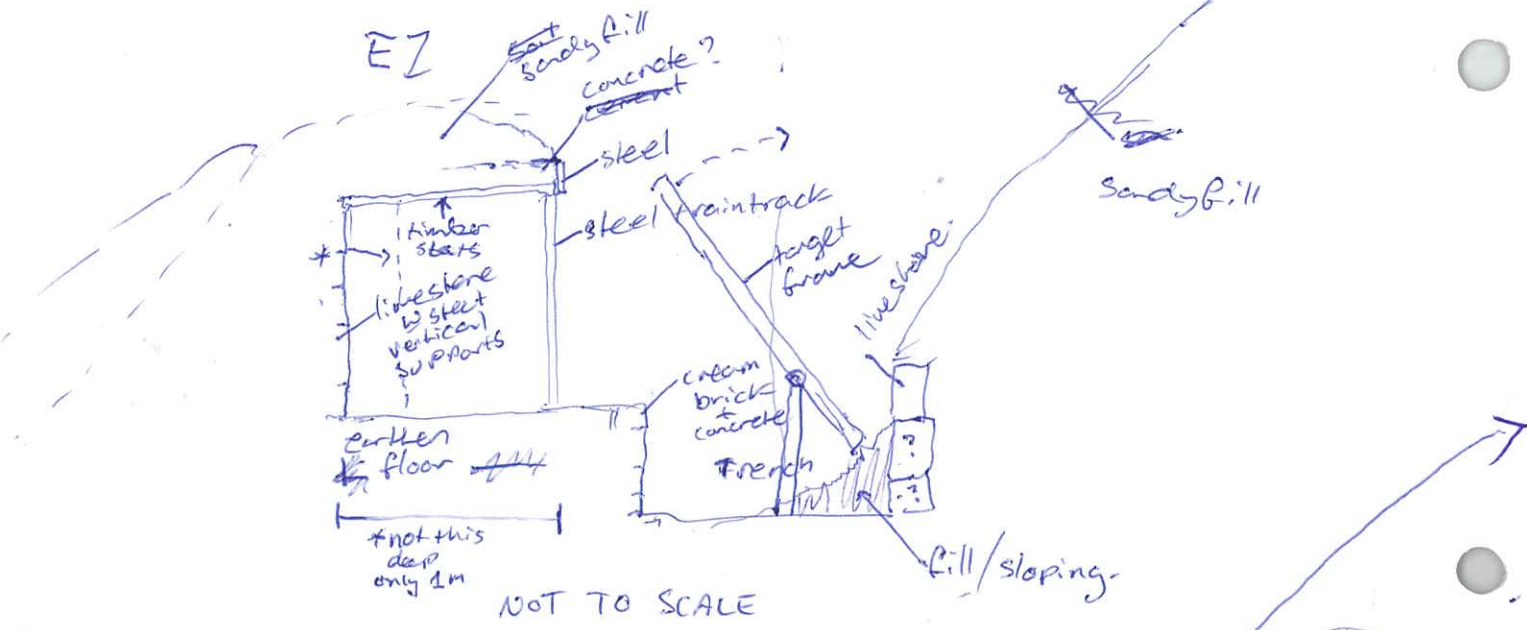


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	* southern boundary of trench has <sup>limestone</sup> brick + mortar retaining wall 60cm high (not fully exposed), may not be continuous.				<del>3:02</del>
-	pic facing east pic facing south.	-	-	-	1:32
E2	Trench (E1)		Storage shed. Facing EAST		3:03
	Eastern end - iron with bullet holes. (rubbish).		Corrugated iron/ sheeting. photo:	( <del>3:13</del> north of E. storage shed). 3:13 pm.	
	Fence post -		north of		





← N WESTERN SECTION PROFILE →



← N EASTERN SECTION PROFILE →





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**Notes:** Embankment two (E2)

- French is overgrown with 2m grasses, rubble fill, iron roof collapse.

- elevation of E2 takes (E2 post 1, 2, vegetation = grasses on northern slope, some ground exposure showing - silty sand, calcified soils; snail shell. + <sup>marine</sup> love-shells. low shrubs.

South slope = some shrubs.

Larger coastal scrub + at base of E2 (S) + N - at trench base (south of trench).

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	- E2 WESTERN END Adjacent to road (West) facing south, pedestrian track E-W, north in photo.				11:39
	- E2 western end facing east (inc walking track)				
	- " - facing West (inc walking track, road)				
	<del>- Western end trench - facing NE. (overgrown)</del>				11:46
	- E2 Western end Facing east, from top (inc. walking track)				11:57
	- E2 Western end Facing west, "				
	- E2 Western end facing south, from top (inc treatment plant) * embankment containing glass, shell, calcified sands, iron, bullets				
	- E2 West end south wall exposure - Facing SE				12:04
	- E2 western end north wall exposure - Facing south				
	Between Trench (N) + E2 (S) looking East + looking West.				12:10
E2	Close up of bullets - 'AF-bullets' - daps				12:18



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E2	Northern slope Facing east				12:26
	- * EZ northern retaining wall (southern boundary of trench) (see notes page 2 of E1 recording sheet)				
	↓ Pic Facing east - Pic Facing south.				1:32
E2	EXPOSED TYRES - EASTERN PORTION OF EZ, NORTH WALL, DIFFERENT PHASE?				2:24
	EZ erosion - exposed tyres. E-W + wire				East 2:29 West 2:30
E2	boundary, embankment top, boundary of E-W sections. Facing WEST, EAST, NW, slab feature, Facing east				2:40
E2	Post 3 Facing north				2:44
E2	EASTern end embankment Facing west / NW				2:46
	FACING EAST / NE				2:48
	Surface billet find - copper Eastern E2, north wall				2:50
	Top eastern end embankment 2 Facing <del>west</del> east				2:52
	facing west (showing curved embankment)				2:53
E2	EAST End base Facing east				2:58
	facing west				2:58



## CADET RIFLEMEN.

The members of the State School and Grammar School Cadet corps engaged in a rifle match on Saturday for a gold medal given by Messrs Wilson Bros., of Timor-street. Each corps sent a team of eight riflemen, each marksman having five shots at each range—100, 200, and 400 yards. When the shooting was finished the record showed the total results to be—Grammar School, 260 points; State School, 259 points. However, it was pointed out that a *ricochet* that had been counted as a score of four, and the Grammar School lads (animated by a very manly feeling) refused to take advantage of this error in scoring. On rectifying this error by submitting a nought for a four, the State School boys were three ahead. They however, refused to claim a victory after the match had been given against them, and it was decided to again compete for the prize on Monday afternoon. The following is the full record of the shooting:—

GRAMMAR SCHOOL.		STATE SCHOOL.	
100 Yards.			
Threlfall ..	3,3,4,3,3—16	Christian ..	2,3,3,3,3—15
Davis ..	2,1,2,2,3—13	Anton ..	3,3,3,1,4—11
H. Chomley ..	4,3,3,3,3—15	Anderson ..	2,3,2,3,2—13
Brown ..	0,3,0,2,4—9	Potts ..	0,2,0,2,0—4
Coat ..	0,4,0,3,2—9	Bryant ..	3,3,1,1,3—17
F. Chomley ..	3,1,3,3,3—16	Ardlie ..	3,3,0,3,3—11
Simmons ..	2,3,2,3,3—12	Anderson ..	2,1,2,3,3—11
Haworth ..	0,3,2,3,2—12	Dobbs ..	3,2,3,3,2—13
—	100	—	98
200 Yards.			
Threlfall ..	2,3,2,2,2—11	Christian ..	3,3,3,3,3—11
Davis ..	3,2,3,2,3—13	Anton ..	2,3,3,1,7—11
H. Chomley ..	3,3,1,3,3—15	Anderson ..	0,3,0,0,0—3
Brown ..	2,0,5,0,3—10	Potts ..	2,0,3,3,0—8
Coat ..	4,2,3,0,3—12	Bryant ..	2,3,2,3,1—14
F. Chomley ..	3,3,0,2,3—11	Ardlie ..	4,0,0,2,1—10
Simmons ..	2,2,3,2,2—12	Anderson ..	2,3,1,0,3—12
Haworth ..	0,0,2,2,2—6	Dobbs ..	2,2,3,3,0—10
—	89	—	85
400 Yards.			
Threlfall ..	2,2,2,0,2—8	Anderson ..	3,2,3,3,2—13
Davis ..	0,0,0,0,0—0	Christian ..	4,2,2,1,0—12
H. Chomley ..	2,3,0,3,3—9	Anton ..	1,3,0,0,3—10
Brown ..	3,1,4,0,0—14	Potts ..	0,3,3,7,0—6
F. Chomley ..	2,3,2,0,2—9	Bryant ..	2,3,1,0,2—11
Coat ..	4,3,3,3,1—17	Ardlie ..	0,0,3,3,3—6
Simmons ..	0,2,0,0,2—4	Anderson ..	2,0,3,3,0—8
Haworth ..	0,4,0,0,3—7	Dobbs ..	3,0,2,3,0—8
—	68	—	76
*** Grand Totals—Grammar School ..		260	
State School ..		259	

The match was continued yesterday afternoon at the butts, when the boys showed some good marksmanship with their Martini-Henri carbines. The weather was well suited for shooting, being calm and a good light. The Grammar School team won by 31 points. Sergeant-Major Fryer had handicapped the teams, giving the State School boys 26 points. They did not take the handicap, but the result proved that the sergeant was very accurate in his estimate. Some of the lads' shoulders were very sore, from the "kicking" they received at Saturday's competition. The teams consisted of seven, instead of eight, as on the previous occasion. One

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# Rifle association saved by development promise

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Rifle association president Graham Dyson (left) and secretary Doug Clark believe the club would now survive after South West Water chairman Graeme Rodger announced the authority would develop the Lake Gilliear site to the standard of the former Thunder Point facility. Picture: GLEN WATSON. 99040829

By KATIE HYDER

AFTER more than five years without a home, the South Western District Rifle Association has been saved in a move that the club's president said would ensure the survival of the sport in the region.

Since the old rifle range at Thunder Point was closed to make way for a waste water treatment plant in 1993, Warrnambool had been left with no resources to attract new members as others left, president Graham Dyson said.

"During the past five to six years, especially since the closure, we haven't had the facilities to be able to attract new members to the sport."

Combined with natural attrition, this had resulted in a decline which

## Range to open in January

saw membership drop to the current level of 60, he said. Mr Dyson described the announcement as a breakthrough, saying it had been a long and, at times, frustrating process.

"There were times when we didn't really know which direction we should go in," he said.

While there were three other rifle ranges in the region — Port Campbell, Yambuk and Terang — these had never been 100 per cent secure as two were on private land while one was under constant pressure from Parks Victoria, Mr Dyson said.

Located in the Lake Gilliear area, the new site would be leased from the

South West Water Authority for a 45-year period, he said. The authority inherited the obligation to re-establish the rifle range when it was formed in 1994, chairman Graeme Rodger said yesterday.

This obligation had been partially fulfilled when the authority purchased the 33-hectare site at a cost of about \$220,000, Mr Rodger said.

Mr Rodger said the authority would develop the site to the standard of the facilities at Thunder Point, but any further development would have to be funded by the association.

After a request for support from Warrnambool City Council in an application for sports and recreation

funding was rejected last month, Mr Dyson said the association would have to look elsewhere for the estimated \$50,000 required.

This funding would have been used to build accommodation and facilities for the disabled, he said.

While the rejection was disappointing, Mr Dyson said he hoped to attract other shooting sports to the site in order to expand the facility with the possibility of making it into a ballistics complex.

But regardless of how this eventuates, Mr Dyson said the range would open in January next year and would have modern targets and other amenities.

"We're looking at a facility that will be equal to or better than anything else in Victoria."



RIFLE MATCH.—A rifle match for a  
pony will take place at the Rifle Butts,  
to-morrow afternoon, at three o'clock.  
The competitors will be handicapped, and  
as the handicapping of Mr. Drill In-  
structor Bernard gave so much satisfac-  
tion at the match last week, we presume  
his services will be again brought into  
requisition.

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The cadets of the Warrnambool State school will celebrate the Prince of Wales' birthday to-day in the following manner—They will fall in at the school at nine o'clock this morning to take part in a rifle competition at the local ranges. It will be remembered that some time ago Mr. Rutledge gave £10 to the corps, of which there is a balance amounting to £3 10s. This sum will be fired for to-day, being divided into trophies as follows:—First prize, value £1; second, 15s; third, 10s; fourth and fifth, 5s each, and a special prize of 15s for those who have joined the corps since the 1st June, 1891. The targets will be six feet by four in size, the size of the bull's eye being 12 inches, for which four points will be allowed; the centre two feet with three points, and the outer and remainder of the target two points. The ranges will be at 100 yards (kneeling) and 200 yards (prone.) Five shots and a sighter will be allowed at each range. In the afternoon the cadets will assemble in Albert Park for skirpmishing and the attack formation.

Cadets  
(drill)

THE Warrnambool cadets will engage in a rifle competition on Saturday next at the Shelly Beach ranges. A sum of £4, part of the proceeds of the recent cadet ball, will be disbursed in prizes. The winner will be awarded £2, second 15s, and third 10s, and 15s will be given for the highest individual score. The prize-winners will be allowed the privilege of buying articles as trophies. The ranges will be at 100 and 200 yards, five shots and a sighter at each. Mr. C. A. Oakley, an ex-lieutenant of the corps, has given a trophy for the best section of five at drill.

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**Warrnambool Rifle Club members say they will oppose any moves by Warrnambool city council to shift its range in South Warrnambool to a site outside the city.**

They feel that such a move would breakup the club and destroy what is considered by visiting shooters to be one of the best ranges in Australia.

Last week the city council decided to investigate the possibility of establishing a new rifle range within a 16 to 25 kilometre radius of the city.

Secretary of the rifle club, Mr Vic Ferrier, said last night the club met the council about two weeks ago to discuss the proposal.

A deputation from the council later inspected the range.

Mr Ferrier said shifting the range would involve a great deal of money but it would only take a small amount of finance to improve the present range.

He said he had been told that if the council

# HANDS OFF OUR LAND, SAYS ANGRY RIFLEMAN

got hold of the range the golf club would take over.

"It appears that the majority of councillors seem to be a front for the golf club," Mr Ferrier said.

"One of our members has been approached by a councillor who said the council was not interested in the rifle range.

"All the council originally required was a scenic road behind the stop butts providing there was a fence put up with a gateway on the east side to be controlled by the Army and the rifle club," he said.

He said the golf club took over a portion of the range during World War II while the Warrnambool City and North Warrnambool rifle clubs were in recess.

After the war an agreement was made between the golf club and the rifle clubs that the golf club could still use the land, he said.

"The club received nothing from the golf club," Mr Ferrier said.

"The rifle club has first preference on the land but it changes its programs to suit the golf club.

"Football clubs, the yacht club and bowls clubs have been helped by the council but the only help the rifle club is to get is to be put off the range.

"The main argument of councillors who oppose the present position of the range is that it is too dangerous.

"However, all shooters using the range are experienced and have been instructed by qualified shooters.

"I appeal to councillors to come down and see for themselves that it is not dangerous."

Mr Ferrier said a Warrnambool businessman who was on the golf club committee approached him last year with a proposition that if the rifle club got off the range the golf club would get them a site of similar size elsewhere.

This was refused by rifle club members, he said.

Later another businessman, who was not a golf club member, put the same proposition to him and was refused, Mr Ferrier said.

"The majority of South Warrnambool residents do not want us to move," he said.

"It is convenient for us to come down during the week to do maintenance work on the range and for shift workers who shoot for relaxation.

"Travelling regularly to a range outside the city would force them to retire from the sport.

"Other rifle clubs are in a similar position with councils trying to put them off their ranges," he said.

Mr Ferrier said the club had been shooting on the range since 1890 and now had 25 members with six more expected to join soon.

This year club members won the \$7000 Corangamite shield, he said.

Mr Ferrier said the Warrnambool range had 12 targets and was the biggest in Victoria outside Geelong being the only Western Victorian range able to accommodate up to 100 shooters for team shoots.

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# LOR WILL BLOCK SORRY VOTE

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# City adheres to compulsory voting policy