

PRONE SILHOUETTE

If you enjoy participation in individual & personally challenging competitive sport, prone silhouette shooting may be the sport for you.

The thrill of the shoot is never more evident than during a silhouette event. It is fun, challenging and a great spectator sport which can get very exciting as you watch twenty small metal animal shapes across the range fall as they are knocked down by a round from a .22 calibre sporting rifle or stay to laugh at you if they are missed.

This sport is a great way to learn how to be disciplined mentally, physically and emotionally as all these factors play an important role in whether you hit the target or not.

The silhouette targets are different shapes and sizes set up at four distances 25m, 55m, 70m and 90m each with a different degree of difficulty.

All members of the family from age 12 can shoot together on an equal basis and it is not unusual to see the ladies and youngsters getting excellent scores. There are also special rules which cater very well for people who are physically handicapped by allowing modified equipment and shooting aids such as bench rests. This makes for a very inclusive and family orientated sport.

As safety is of the utmost importance, at least one trained range officer is always present during a shoot. Everyone learns about the safe handling and use of firearms and is drilled in safety awareness to the point where this exciting sport is one of if not the safest sport anyone could be involved in.

There are clubs, which shoot silhouette across Queensland and Northern NSW who would welcome newcomers wanting to have a go. All that is required is photo ID and a willingness to learn and comply with the safety rules. For more information contact one of the following clubs.

Maryborough - Roy Muller Ph: 07 4122 4292

Bundaberg - Jan Thomas Ph: 07 4153 5228

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