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HANDLEY PAGE HAMPDEN BOMBER

Disrupting German coastal shipping, that was supplying the Atlantic Wall. Handley Page Hampden Bombers from RAAF 455 Squadron, with torpedo attacks and sowing aerial anti-shiping mines in ports and shipping lanes along the coast of France and Norway. Over 700 Hamden's were lost, usually to French or Norwegian based German fighter planes.



VALE
Stanley Kemp Inaugural & Life Member of the
Northern Victorian Arms Collectors Guild.
Stan passed away Saturday 7th July 2018

R.I.P.

A word from our Vice President / Membership Secretary—John Miller

Hello fellow Guild members. Our membership as of the 6th of September stands at 132, made up of 122 Ordinary, 7 Life, 1 Honorary and 2 Junior. Unfortunately, we recently lost 3 long term members who moved on to the Grand Eternal Collectors' Guild above, a sad loss. There are 12 who have not renewed, 2 of whom have been contacted and intend to remain members, but that leaves 10 who have not responded to phone calls, which brings me to the following. PLEASE, when paying your membership, acknowledge your type of payment and update any of your contact details you may have lodged since joining the Guild. We are now on a computer Membership Database, the details in which are generated from earlier records and although most of you have kept us up to date with your details, there are some who have not and that would explain some of the outstanding memberships. The Guild provides a service that some need for retention of collections, but we must notify Officialdom of those who do not have current membership which may jeopardise those collections. So please, it is in your interest to make sure that your contact details that we have, are up to date.

One of the services provided is the supplying of a bus to take interested members on outings to various events. The size of the bus depends on the numbers attending, which have not been very high, but those who did, report very favourably on the trip, allowing for a relaxed ride to and from the venue. The discussion to the activity is usually in anticipation of what is hoped and expected and post event is a sort of "show and tell", especially if the trip was to a gun show. The last trip was to the Bendigo show with lunch at the local RSL and return via the Bendigo Pottery outlet at Epsom. A great time was reported by those attending.

We are all for making future trips, but these sometimes take a bit of planning, as we are generally not as young as we once were and now require one or two stops on the way to and from a destination.

This just means that we will be travelling for an amount of time that needs to be factored into the day's activity, especially for the drivers. Obviously, it's OK for passengers to have a snooze on the return trip but a driver doing the same would be severely frowned upon.

We have been to Lake Boga to view the Catalina museum and various gun shows, but would appreciate input as to events and activities that members would like to attend. Temora aircraft museum is often mentioned, which is possible, but would probably require an overnight stop somewhere. I reckon this would entail each one attending covering his or her own accommodation expenses, but the Guild would provide the transport required for the number attending. The more the merrier. Let's have some feedback with your thoughts and a few details. These outings would be open to all members, but there will be obvious time constraints. Let's have suggestions and discussion.

I must take this opportunity to acknowledge the tremendous effort by Matthew Wilson over the last number of years for compiling and distributing our newsletter. He has well and truly earned a break and our vote of thanks for a job very well done and can now share his time more with his family and his work commitments. Thank you Matthew.

N.V.A.C.G. Committee 2018/19

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A new club financial year has begun with the same executive and a couple of new faces on the committee, (see committee list on previous page). Upcoming is the Dookie Military Vehicle Rally (see page 7) I have ordered the guild marquee again for this event, it was \$800 so please make use of it .

A few changes to the Newsletter, Matthew Wilson is having a break after 5 years as editor. Thanks Matthew. Brett Maag is the editor and I will compile, print and distribute. **BUT we want contributions.** As well as articles we now have advertisement, (see page 8) free to guild members, small fee for business. We have "Something from your Collection" see (page 9)

So if you have an article you would like published, and an advertisement, free or paid, or would like an item from your collection featured contact Brett - bnmaag@gmail.com or myself secretary@nvacg.org.au .

From the Guild Secretary - Graham Rogers

UP COMING EVENTS

Dookie Military Vehicle Rally
13th & 14th October

89th Melbourne
Arms & Militaria Fair
20th & 21st October

NVACG 9th Annual Swap Meet
& Christmas Rendezvous
11th November

Shepparton Militaria &
Collectables Expo
2nd & 3rd March 2019

RAF Bomber Command Gardening Operations during WWII

During the Second World War "gardening" was the RAF term given to the dropping of mines from bomber aircraft into the sea. The mines were "sown" near ports and harbours, inland waterways, estuaries (as in the Gironde in western France) and in busy shipping lanes. Throughout Europe the coastline was split into various targets and also given distinct code names; the majority (but not all) were given names of trees and plants.



The regular mining of the coastline forced the Germans to deploy upwards of 20,000 military personnel to deal with the mines. The German navy - the Kriegsmarine - were responsible for mine-sweeping duties, but there was also the placement of searchlight and anti-aircraft batteries to engage bombers attempting to drop mines.

Gardening ops were often used as the first operation for a new crew on a squadron. It's often conveyed that these operations were not all that hazardous but a number of bombers were lost undertaking them. The key issue was that to successfully place the mines in the correct position, a bomber would have to fly considerably lower than a usual bombing sortie over, say, a German city. Accuracy was essential and the bomber would generally fly under 1500 feet. This would make them an obvious target for flak.

Bombers would generally drop several mines on a single bomb run. The navigator and pilot would get the aircraft positioned for the bomb aimer to reduce each mine over the designated area. The crucial part was to ensure the mines landed in an area that was being used as a shipping lane. This would necessitate mine-sweeping and cause considerable delays to shipping either entering or leaving ports.

Some of you may not know but the NVACG has its own website.



Here you will find all the news and details for coming guild events and information for prospective members.

<http://www.nvacg.org.au/>

We are also on Facebook



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Dropping mines was no easy task. A number of considerations were taken into account: tides, water depth, approach vector and known enemy dispositions. The navigator would ensure the right flight path for the 12-mile timed bomb run.

The aircraft's pilot would fly the aircraft at the designated altitude of 1500 feet (450 m), at roughly 180 mph (290 kph) - any faster and the mine's parachute would be ripped off. The bomb aimer would then release the mines - usually four to six - in two to three second intervals. In the case of the Gironde Estuary the target was considerably small - perhaps under a 1000 feet (300 m) across. Air-dropped mines

The RAF's aerial mines were completely different to the often seen ship-deployed mines (the large black spheres with horns). The RAF's mines were to be laid in shallow water and after parachuting into the sea, the chute would disengage and the mine would sink to the sea floor. The mine would be set off either by a ship's magnetic interference (set to a specific signal to detonate under larger ships) or via the sound a ship's propellers (acoustic microphones were sensitive enough to pick out different sizes of vessel). Some mines also included a delay mechanism which allowed the mine to prevent detonation until it had been triggered a number of times, for example, the mine could be set at seven passes and explode on the eighth).

Mines dropped from bombers were approximately 9 feet long by 17 inches in diameter (including a wood or metal fairing). Weighing in at around 1,500 pounds (680 kg), each mine held 750 pounds (340 kg) of Amatol or Minol explosive. As mines were often dropped close to one another, a device was attached that prevented mines being detonated by one exploding nearby.

Attached at the rear, the parachute enabled the mine to enter vertically. The parachute then detached and drifted away or sank. A fairing on the mine's nose keep the trajectory of the mine true and would disintegrate upon impact with water.

Detonation

Once a target vessel has caused the closing of internal contacts, a fraction of a second later the mine has been transformed into an incandescent gas bubble, resulting in a primary pressure wave/pulse which travels at the speed of sound in all directions. If the sea-bed on which the mine was sitting is hard sand or bedrock, then the primary pulse will be reflected and strike the target simultaneously. The pressure from this pulse/wave is massive and constitutes the most destructive factor in the explosion, upon contacting the ship it subjects the hull to an extensive shock, buckling or ripping apart plates, and damaging internal structures within the vessel, ultimately its goal to sink the ship.

Mk.1 Air Deployable Anti-Ship Mine



Front Fairing

Detachable section

Parachute

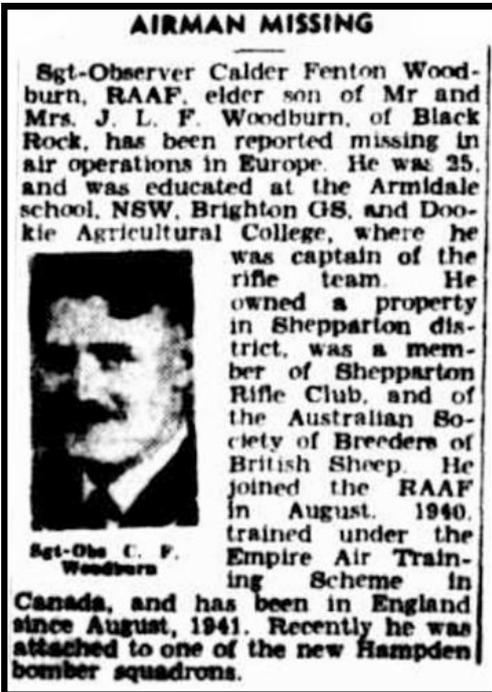
Explosives

Parachute Shroud Lines

The aircraft mine is cylindrical shaped, approximately 17 inches in diameter and 9ft long including the wood or metal fairing. The weight averaged 1,500 lbs. (680 kg) of which 750 lbs. (340 kg) of explosive (Amatol or Minol). An anti-detonation device prevented explosions of other mines in close proximity to the exploding mine. A small parachute attached at the end would facilitate vertical entry into the water, and the nose fairing would prevent deflection during its flight through the air and would disintegrate upon impact with the water.

Two devices prevented the accidental arming of the mine while in transport; a safety fork prevents the closing of the arming switch while aboard the aircraft, manual removal of the fork was optional just prior to jettisoning the mine from the aircraft. There was also a safety switch fitted with a soluble plug and operated hydro-statically which kept the mine in a safe condition both before laying and until a predetermined period had elapsed once submerged below 5 fathoms/30 feet of water.

The Calder Woodburn Memorial Avenue was planted between 1945 and 1949 by Mr JLF (Fen) Woodburn as a living memorial to his son Calder who lost his life while serving abroad with the Royal Australian Air Force. Calder Woodburn, a graduate of Dookie Agricultural College, enlisted 1940 and served with 455 Sqd flying Hampden bombers. He failed to return from a mine laying mission along the French coastline in April 1942. In late 1943 Fen Woodburn offered to plant two rows of trees for a distance of 9.5kms along the Goulburn Valley Highway as a memorial to his son. Starting in 1945, by August 1947 Fen Woodburn had planted all the 1406 trees to complete his original vision. In 1948 he extended by a further 638 trees. In its final form the avenue was extended, in four rows, as far as the Murchison Violet Town Road in 1949 making a total of 2,457 trees. Woodburn wanted the Avenue to be a memorial to all local servicemen who did not return from the Second World War. Memorial name plates were fixed to 110 of the trees, the trees selected being at the nearest point to the servicemen's homes.



The Calder Woodburn Memorial Avenue is aesthetically significant as a prominent landscape planting of more than 2,400 trees over a length of nearly 20 kilometres along the Goulburn Valley Highway. The whole forms an outstanding designed landscape and roadside planting of a scale and complexity not seen in Victoria.

The uniform planting, tree form, size and maturity provides an outstanding landscape forms a dominant feature in the flat surrounding countryside, which is largely cleared for agriculture. The various bark characteristics and the alternating Iron-bark and Lemon-scented Gums which provide contrasting texture and colours are also of interest.

Vandals Disarm Snoopy

In 2016 the Shepparton RSL took delivery of a decommissioned Australian Army M113A1 Armoured Personal Carrier. It was just a drab green box on tracks with many of its operational external fittings removed and the gun ports on the Vietnam era Cadillac Cage T50 turret plugged.

Historically significant but pretty boring to most people. However a quick check of her Army Registration Number (ARN) revealed she was 134350, a Vietnam Veteran, "Two Zero Alpha" serving with B Sqd. 3 Cav. Regt. in 1970 and A Sqd. 3 Cav. Regt. in 1971.

Two Zero Alpha's Vietnam service was no more significant than any other APC in 3 Cav, but 20A had a distinguishing feature that made her more photogenic than other M113's of the period. Two Zero Alpha had the cartoon character Snoopy painted on her side.



Guild member John Harrington decide to give "Snoopy" back her Vietnam service look. With Snoopy caricature, jerry cans ammo boxes, spare wheel on the trim vain, tow cable, spare track links, radio antennas and a couple of mock machinegun barrels tapped into the gun port plugs.

The armament in the right hand gun port was originally a Browning US 1919A4 .30 in modified to by Lithgow SAF to British L3A3 specifications with rear sear conversion, firing from an open bolt. The armament in the left hand gun port was originally a Browning US M2HB .50 in.

John made his .30 cal barrel from PVC pipe but the .50 cal was an original cooling jacket from a Browning AN-M2 aircraft 50 Cal not really the correct barrel but it looked good. Vandals recently broke off the genuine barrel and took it away.

Breaking News: The thief has now been apprehended and the barrel has been recovered in a somewhat damaged state.

1. The Apache Revolver

The Apache revolver, oddly enough, was named for the French Les Apaches and not the Native Americans. While it was noted that, due to the lack of barrel and small calibre, the Apache was not a very effective firearm, shootpunchstabbing enthusiasts did clarify that it still "proved deadly at extremely close range." So no, we're not just being our usual hyperbolic selves when we insist that one operated this gun by "punching bullets into the stab wounds on your enemies' damn heads." That stuff was in the manual.

Attributed to Louis Dolne, the Apache operates on the principle of a pepperbox revolver using a pinfire cartridge and incorporates a fold-over knuckle duster forming the grip and a rudimentary foldout dual-edged knife.

Due to the lack of a barrel, the revolver's effective range is very limited. Since its component parts can be folded inward towards the cylinder, it is easily concealable inside a pocket. It was common to leave an empty chamber with no cartridge under the hammer, as the weapon has no trigger guard or safety catch. The weapon cannot be aimed accurately because of its lack of front and rear sights and very short barrel. Despite its limited potential, the revolver was effective at extremely close range. For reloading, the cartridge cylinder must be removed, refilled, and replaced.



2. The Hand Mortar.

Hand mortars, used from the 1500s through the early 1800s, were designed to solve that age-old problem: If there's somebody standing very far away from you, how do you pull all of his parts off of him without having to walk all the way over there?

The answer, as we all know now, was propelled explosions. We have slick high tech rockets and missiles for that purpose in modern times, but back in the day, the only way to hurl an uncontrolled explosion was with another uncontrolled explosion.

Hence, the hand mortar.

It works a little like our current mortars do, in that it uses explosive force to hurl an explosive device a long distance before it explodes.

There was only one problem: Back in the day, a grenade had a fuse that you lit before hurling it at your adversary. So after lighting the grenade, you stuffed it down the barrel of the hand mortar and then fired that, hoping against hope that the timing worked as intended. Because if that grenade fuse gets bent double on itself, or clipped, or an errant spark detonates it early, you've got a bundle of potential shrapnel in your hand.



**Dookie Military Vehicle Rally,
13 & 14 October 2018 Main St Dookie.**

Exhibitors welcome, camping on site, free event. Military motoring and historical displays, jeeps trucks bikes armour, re-enactors and their gear also swap meet plenty of action, 9th annual show, host club military history group inc. Contact Sol 0427 538 667



The Guild Marquee will be at the Dookie Military Vehicle Rally again this year . There will be tables available to buy swap and sell your collectables. Contact the Secretary if you require some table space.



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- Plans are already underway including ...
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 - MILITARY RE-ENACTMENTS ● BLANK FIRING DEMO
 - ONSITE CAMPING



All Enquiries welcome, contact:
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More Info ...check out DMVRI on <http://www.youtube.com/user/DookieMilitaryVehicleRally>
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Bill Toole's Storage Warehouse Auction Sale

This clearing sale was on Saturday 23 June 2018.
I think we have all been to see Bill many times, but this was "it" - a complete clearance of the big nissen shed in Wodonga.
A large crowd crammed in and bidding was fast. Over 700 lots and all the dust you could breath. Dealers, locals and collectors, saw all lots sold as the day ended in darkness. However it took the buyers a further five days, followed by a local scrap team to totally clear the floor.
It is now empty and Bill has left the building.
Bill's still in business in a much smaller shed and far less stock, also eBay sales.
The Dookie Emporium (Sol) managed to buy over 70 lots on the day. I'd say 10 % of bill's stock is now available at the Emporium.
A great logistical feat, as it took me five maximum loads, about seven or eight ton, it was a very busy week.
So if you need lots of hats, trousers, jackets, webbing, disposals, etc, etc, or anything from Bill's, it all adds to the thousands of historical militaria items already at the Dookie emporium and cafe Main St Dookie.
See you Friday to Sunday, or better still at the Dookie Military Vehicle Rally 13 to 14 Oct 2018
Sol Sutherland Dookie Emporium 0427 538 667 (well done Bill)





Buy swap or sell free advertising for guild members. POA non members
All firearms advertisements must list transferring dealer. The Serial No. of the firearm offered
The licence No. of the registered owner

For Sale

Contact: Geoff Wilson License No. 411-006-50B

Phone: 03 5821 9015 Email: wisigns1@gmail.com .

Transferring Dealer - "Trelly's Fishing & " Hunting", Dealer license 409-613-50F

1. Winchester M73 rifle, .32/20, F/M, 32" oct. bbl., Serial No. 316449B\$ - 7,500.oo
2. Winchester M73 rifle, .44/40, F/M, 30" oct. bbl., Serial No. 22580 - \$7,500.oo
3. Winchester M73 carbine, .44/40, F/M, x "Timboon Jail" (sold as Pentridge) carbine, rack # 47, Serial No. 26685 - \$4,500.oo
4. Winchester M92 rifle, .44/40, 28" oct. bbl., tang sight, Serial No. 754776 - \$4,500.oo
5. Winchester M92 short rifle, .32/20, F/M, 20" oct. bbl., Serial No. 764538 - \$3,500.oo**
6. Winchester M53 T/D rifle, .32/20, 1/2 mag. Crescent butt, Serial No. 104998 - \$4000.oo**
7. Winchester M92 carbine, 2/3 mag., .32/20, Shotgun butt, Serial No. 875490 - \$4000.oo**
8. Winchester M92 rifle, 1/2 rnd., 1/2 oct. bbl., .32/20, Shotgun butt, tang sight, Serial No. 98457 - \$4,500.oo**
9. Winchester M65 .32/20 standard rifle, Serial No. 94642 - \$2,200
10. Winchester M95 saddle ring carbine, .30/06, Serial No. 94909B - \$3,500.oo**
11. Winchester M92 carbine, 15" bbl., .32/20, 1/2 mag., Serial No.334707 - \$4,500.oo
12. Winchester M92 carbine, 16" bbl, F/M, .32/20 Serial No.776645 - \$4,500.oo
13. Winchester M94 carbine, full mag., .38/55, tang sight, "Kings" rear sight, sling swivels, Serial No.923285 - \$4,500.oo**
14. Winchester M92 rifle, F/M, .44/40 rnd. bbl., Shotgun butt, Serial No.49141 - \$1050.oo
15. Winchester M92 rifle, 1/2 rnd., 1/2 oct bbl, .38/40, Serial No.651127 - \$2,500.oo
16. Winchester M92 carbine, F/M, rnd. bbl., Serial No.134117 - \$5,500.oo **
17. Winchester M94 carbine, 1/2, mag., rnd. bbl, .32/40, marked "W.M. Hazard Hardware, Auckland, N.Z." Serial No.894823 - \$3000.oo**
18. Winchester M92 engraved rifle (refinished / early Phil Vinecombe) .44/40 oct, bbl, T/D, Serial No.109140 - \$4,000.oo
19. Winchester M85 S/S .44/40 rifle, rnd. bbl. marked "The New Daisy rifle" Serial No.167493 - \$2200.oo
20. Winchester M87 12 g. shotgun, 1st. year production, s/n 987, small bbl. bulge, Serial No.244 - \$2000.oo
21. Winchester M90 oct. bbl. P/A, .22 rifle, tang sight, Serial No.57072B - \$1500.oo**
22. Winchester M90 oct. bbl .22 P/A, (shorts only) cold blue refinish Serial No.692521 - \$1150.oo
23. Winchester "Thumb Trigger" 9mm rifle, rnd. bbl., Serial No.5781 - \$255.oo
24. Winchester M1900 .22 rifle, rnd. bbl, Serial No.8643 - \$110.oo
25. Winchester M1900 .22 rifle, rnd. bbl., Serial No.685FRA - \$110.oo
26. Winchester M1904 .22 rifle, rnd. bbl., Serial No.3667 - \$110.oo
27. Winchester M1906 P/A .22 rifles x 4, (1 x .22 shorts only) \$200.oo others (3 x) \$150.oo each Serial No.s 649090, 781249, 90101 & 284665
28. Winchester M92 rifle .32/20 rnd. replacement bbl. (U.S arsenal marked) "Bogo Rd. jail (Qld.) marked on butt, "B" (Tower "B") Serial No.945680 - \$250.oo
29. Winchester M92 carbine marked "P.W.D. No.27 (Public works Dept.) rnd. bbl. .32/20, 1/2 mag. Serial No.303523 - \$3000.oo (Australiana)
30. Winchester M92 carbine, F/M, 44/40, rnd. bbl., W.A. police marked, (P/Broad Arrow) + scabbard, Serial No.22685 - \$4,500.oo(Australiana)
31. Winchester M73 rifle, .44/40, oct. bbl., 1/2 mag., Serial No.433976B - \$2800.oo
32. Winchester M53 Stock standard rifle, oct. bbl., .32/20, 1/2 mag., Serial No.5399 - \$1800.oo
33. Winchester Bi-Centennial Commemorative "Capt. Cook 1988 ".22 F/M rifle, One of 100, Jeff. Brown (3), completed by Phil Vinecombe (94/22) Serial No.1001988 - \$5,500.oo**
34. Marlin M/94, F/M, 38/40 carbine, rnd. bbl., marked "Alcock & Pierce, Melbourne" on butt & receiver, Serial No.422728 - \$4000.oo**
35. Colt P/A, .32/20, rnd. bbl. rifle, Serial No.10854 - \$2000.oo
36. Marlin M/ "Tom Mix Special", 100-S .22. B/A, S/S rifle, peep sight' missing extractor?, Serial No.527FRA - \$225.oo
37. German B/A rifle, 7.92, laminated stock, German eagle marks, correct bayonet / scabbard, sling, Serial No.60465 - \$2000.oo
38. British No. 5 rifle, (jungle carbine) .303, X N.Z., Malaya, correct bayonet / scabbard, sling, Serial No.R7661 - \$2000.oo
39. British Rifle no 1 .303, marked "B.S.A. & co1894", marked on receiver, on butt, "R.I.W., Q.I.B. 1901", + patt.1888 bayonet, Serial No.3163 - \$2200.oo
40. Artillery .303 carbine, marked "MkIII, "B.S.A.&M.Co, 1883,VR,Enfield 1894, MM, AC III", patt.1888 bayonet, sling, Serial No.3163 - \$2200.oo
41. British Patt. 14 .303 Winchester rifle & bayonet "W", R.A.F.marked on butt, sling, Serial No.76544 \$2200.oo
42. German GEW 98, B/A, 7.92 rifle, + engineers "saw back" bayonet, scabbard, sling, butt marked "High Wood 1916", Serial No.1996 - \$3000.oo
43. British .577/450 cavalry carbine, "marked "Crown, VR, Enfield,1882, I.C.I., +"Sawback" bayonet & scabbard, sling, Serial No.5112 - 5,500.oo**
44. Remington B/A 30/06, O3/A3 sniper rifle, complete with M82 'scope, sling, Serial No.3411484 - \$7000.oo**

NB: ** Denotes "Very Good +"

Something from your Collection

With each newsletter we would like to feature something special from a members collection, it doesn't have to be valuable or rare, just something you don't see every day. Members who would like to have an item featured can contact Brett Maag or Graham Rogers. If you can supply a digital photo and a short spiel it would be good if not, bring it along to a meeting and we will photograph it there and take notes.



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Miners Helmet Carbide Lamps

From the collection of Fred Steele

Circa 1920's U.S. manufactured miners carbide helmet lamps.

The one on the left is "AUTO-LITE" manufactured by the "Universal Lamp Co Inc." of Chicago, Illinois

On the Right is a "Justrite" by the "Justrite Manufacturing Company" also of Chicago

Centre is a miners personal carbide storage tin made by Justrite

Rear is Justrite's spare parts pamphlet.

MILTARIA & COLLECTABLES

EXPO 2019

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SATURDAY MARCH 2nd. 9:00am to 5:00pm & SUNDAY MARCH 3rd. 9:00am to 3:30pm

EASTBANK CENTRE SHEPPARTON - Opposite Queen's Gardens

About Us.....

Our Meetings

The Guild meets at the Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (SSAA) Shepparton Branch Shotgun Club Rooms.

These are located at the SSAA Shooting Range 1170 Midland Hwy, Shepparton East.

Just drive for 20 minutes or so from Shepparton along what we call Benalla Road, and there you will find the Range on the right hand side in a former quarry. The site is well signed and is the Guilds "returning home" to what was Paul Gribben's other favourite club.

General Meetings are held here on the second Friday evening of each month

Meeting commence from 8.00 pm

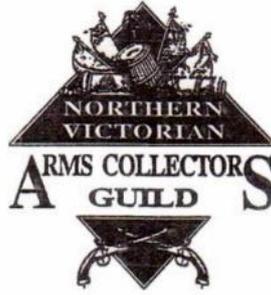
Our Background

The Northern Victorian Arms Collectors Guild Inc. Had its origins in August 1967, under the guidance of the late Paul Gribben— still regarded as one of Australia's most advance firearms collectors.

His fondness for Manton shotguns (and lesser examples of gunsmith's and engravers art), was equalled only by his love of history and enthusiasm for sharing it with others.

Our Guild continues this tradition and caters for those interested in the preservation and restoration of all Antique and Historic Arms, Accessories, Militaria, Australiana and other Heritage items.

New Members are Most Welcome!



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