

66th AUSTRALIAN MUZZLE LOADING RIFLE & SHOTGUN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sydney Colonial Muzzle-Loading Club Inc.

MATCH SPECIFICATIONS

21-23 August 2026 | 423 Sackville Ferry Road, Sackville North

~ black powder match details ~

Musket Match

Classes: Military Musket, Trade Musket
Spotting scopes: may be used for 5 minutes
Range: 50 yards | Shots: 13, best 10 to count | Time: 45 minutes
Position: Off hand | Target: Standard 50 metre Pistol Target
Loading: Field loading only | Projectile: Round ball only

Three Position Open Rifle Match

Classes: Open, Traditional (round ball), Military (minie), Ladies, Junior
Spotting scopes: permitted
Range: 100 yards | Shots: 13, best 10 to count per position
Time: 30 minutes per position | Positions: Prone, Sitting, Off hand
Target: Standard 50 metre Pistol Target
Loading: Competitors may load from a bench | Projectile: Any approved lead projectile

Firelock Rifle

Spotting scopes: first 5 minutes
Range: 75 yards | Shots: 13, best 10 to count | Time: 45 minutes
Position: Off hand | Target: Standard 50 metre Pistol Target
Loading: Field loading only; a range rod is permitted
Projectile: Round ball only

Mid Range Military Rifle

Spotting scopes: not permitted
Range: 300 yards | Shots: 10, one string at one exposure of the target
Time: 7 1/2 minutes; shots not fired are forfeit
Target: Class 3 | Position: Offhand; rifle's as-issued sling may be used
Loading: Field loading; fitted ramrod must be used
Projectile: Only original style minie projectiles permitted

Long Range Rifle

Classes: Muzzle Loader and Breech Loader
Spotting scopes: permitted
Range: 500 yards or 700 yards | Shots: 2 sighting shots + 10 to count
Time: 45 minutes | Target: Class 1 (700 yd) or Class 2 (500 yd)
Position: Any, usually prone
Loading: Competitors may load from a bench | Projectile: Any approved lead projectile

Percussion Shotgun

Layout: 5 stations, 8 metres behind trap, single rise
Birds: 20 | Shot size: no larger than No. 6
Load: Maximum 96 gr powder and 1 1/4 oz shot
Bore: 11 gauge or smaller

Flintlock Shotgun

As per Percussion Shotgun except 10 birds only

Cannon

Range: 50 yards | Shots: 7, best 5 to count | Time: 45 minutes
Target: Standard 50 metre pistol
Loading: Cannon loaded only on the RO's orders
Projectile: Round ball only

Knife and Hawk

Competition for each; Classes: Open, Ladies, Juniors, Peewees
Target: Log approx. 2 feet diameter, divided into numbered quarters
Distance: No closer than 12 feet
Part 1: Stick it in 3 times; eliminated if miss or fail to stick 3 times
Part 2: Round the numbered quadrants; eliminated if miss quadrant or fail to stick
Part 3: Closest to centre