

NZ Skeet Hall of Fame

The inaugural NZCTA Skeet Hall of Fame Induction and dinner was held at the Canterbury Clay Target Club on Friday 22 November. A group of over 70 people gathered to celebrate and acknowledge the achievements of the accomplished skeet shooters who were inducted.

The NZCTA President, Mrs Jenni Sanders thanked Mike Millard for the work he has done to establish the Hall of Fame tables for Skeet, Sporting/Compak and ISSF.

Clark Pirie was the M.C. for the evening and the NZCTA thank him for this and putting together the slide shows.

The first NZ Skeet Hall of Fame inductee was Doug Wareham. Doug's son, Grant was present to receive the award on behalf of the family.

Doug's achievements include:

NZ Skeet Champion 1949, 1953, 1954, 1958, 1960.

Other achievements were: 1953 – NZ Double Rise Champion, 1965 Runner-up NZ Trap High Gun. Eight North Island titles and 11 South Island titles (including 7 SI Skeet titles).

In 1958 Doug shot a long run of 189 and was awarded the NZCTA Long Run badge number 2.

Grant thanked the NZCTA for honouring his father with this award and spoke of some of his shooting activities.

Jim McKenzie was awarded the NZCTA Skeet Hall of Fame No 2 award. Ewen Pirie spoke of the many achievements that Jim had during his shooting career. Michael Dobbie's father shot with Jim he was presented the award for Jim McKenzie.

Jim's achievements include:

NZ Skeet Champion 1957, 1959, 1961, 1962, 1963, 1969, 1978, 1980.

1952 – NZ Sparrows (live) Champion

1952 - NZ Single Rise Champion

1956 – NZ Single Rise Champion

1960 – NZ High Gun Champion

1960 – Australian Champion of Champions

1962 – Australian Points Score Champion

1962 – NZ High Gun Champion

1964 – NZ Single Barrel Champion

1965 – NZ High Gun Champion

1968 – NZ Minis Champion

1972 – NZ Ball Trap Champion (1st time competed for)

1973 – NZ Single Barrel Champion

NZ Trench Champion 1976 and 1977

High Gun NZ Mackintosh team 1968 and 1975

NZ Mackintosh team member 18 times between 1956 and 1978

NZ Skeet two person team winner four times

Member NZ Lordship team eight times

Member ISU teams 1973, 1978 and 1980

New Caledonian Universal Trench Championship 1977

New Caledonian ISU Skeet Champion 1979 and 1980

NZ and Australian Champion of Champions 1960

NZ team representative at least 35 times across all disciplines

In 1965 Jim travelled to USA for the World Skeet events and was second in his division. The same year, Jim attended the USA Grand American and finished 13th overall in a field of 3330.

1974 – Represented NZ at Commonwealth Games (Christchurch) in both Skeet and Trap.

John Woolley was the third NZ Skeet Hall of Fame recipient. John and his wife, Alex, son and partner were present to receive this award.

John's achievements include:

NZ Skeet Champion 1977, 1981, 1982, 1989, 2004

NZ ISU Skeet Champion 1976, 1977, 1978, 1987,

1978 Commonwealth Games (Edmonton) ISU Skeet Gold medallist

1982 Commonwealth Games (Brisbane) ISU Skeet Gold medallist

1986 Commonwealth Games ISU Skeet Pairs bronze medallist

NZ Olympic team member is ISU Skeet 1976 Montreal, 1984 Los Angeles, 1988 Seoul.

1988 NZ Sporting Clays National Champion
1977 NZ High Gun Champion
1980 NZ Points Score Champion
1982 NZ Single Rise Champion
1982 NZ Ball Trap Champion (tie)
1987 and 1991 NZ Minis Champion
1988 NZ Double Rise Champion
1996 NZ Ball Trap Champion
8 Island Titles
National title runner-up 8 times.