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Send IT, ELR Shooting .22LR ELR PEKS Shooting Range 9 March 2024

By Charl Gous



↑ Igna Botha



↑ Tinus De Grijjs and Sunelle De Grijjs



↑ Charl Gous presenting the safety and match briefing

On 9 March we hosted the eighth .22 LR ELR (Extreme Long Range) Send IT match at PEKS Shooting Range near Wellington in the Western Cape, with a full house of 35 adults and 11 juniors competing. Rimfire ELR has gained tremendous interest from the sports-shooting community because it is exciting, challenging and accessible to a broad range of shooters. The Send IT rimfire ELR events provide a learning platform for newcomers to become familiar with the technical aspects of ELR shooting in a safe, secure and inviting environment.

Send IT rimfire ELR events have transformed into a family affair with wives, girlfriends and children joining the

festivities and outdoor entertainment. Juniors are now eagerly questioning when they can compete at the adult range, while ladies' participation and skills have grown rapidly.

Range set-up and match format

The course consisted of three ranges with targets from 155 m to 423 m, fitted with electronic hit indicators to confirm successful impacts. All targets were 30 cm x 30 cm. Each competitor took five shots at each target, with three targets per range, for a total round count of 45 for the match.

To accommodate our young shooters, we set up a separate junior range with targets from 58 m to 236 m. The juniors had their own set of targets, smaller in

.22LR ELR Range		Range 1	Range 2	Range 3
Target 1	Distance (m)	155	189	164
Target 2	Distance (m)	261	343	264
Target 3	Distance (m)	423	392	421

Challenge Gong	Distance (m)	510	2 attempts of 5 shots each
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Junior Range		Range 1	Range 2
Target 1	Distance (m)	58	148
Target 2	Distance (m)	88	180
Target 3	Distance (m)	120	236

size to make it more challenging to hit at closer distances. Under the supervision of a dedicated Range Officer, with licenced firearm owners present, there was an acute focus on safety and the safe handling and storage of firearms.



1 Lila Gous



1 Ferdinand du Preez



1 Konrad Beukes



1 Zach Helberg



1 Andre Hanekom



1 ALL the Juniors.



These included 34 hits on Range 1 (Target 3, 423 m), 39 hits on Range 2 (Target 3, 392 m) and 30 hits on Range 3 (Target 3, 421 m). Excellent results at testing distances.

To further highlight the standard of shooting, we observed that all the way down to 20th position, shooters achieved a hit rate in excess of 50%. Six match participants managed more than 30 successful impacts (a greater than 66%

1 Tinus De Grijs



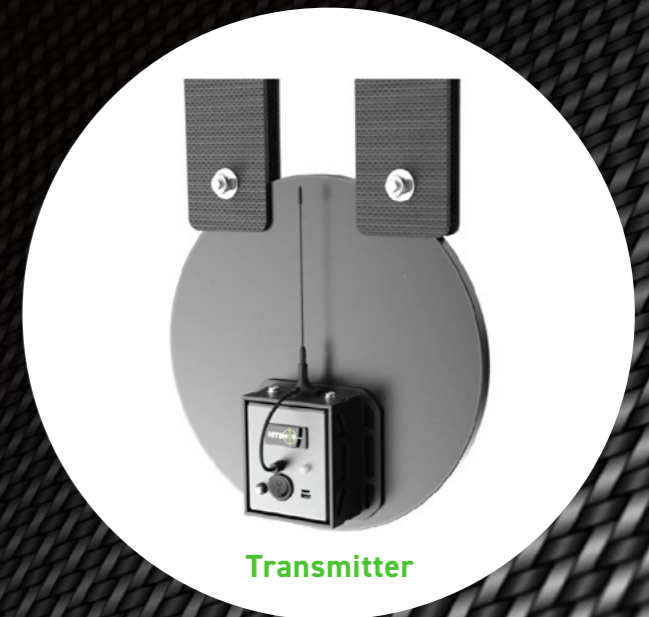
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1 L-R Deon Fabel 3rd, Tinus De Grijs 3rd and Sunelle De Grijs 1st for the day

at 423 m (Range 1), three hits at 392 m (Range 2) and one hit at 421 m (Range 3) to keep the scoreboard ticking. A marvellous performance and

a well-deserved win that she can be proud of!

Not to be outdone by the first lady winner, Igna Botha secured a very credible 7th position, consistently scoring on the furthest targets of each range. In addition, Kelley Hart-Davies managed 13th with three hits at 421 m (Range 3) and Jeandri Goosen produced a solid performance to finish 17th. Well done, ladies!

The boys had to settle for silver (Tinus De Grijs, 33 hits) and bronze (Deon Fabel, 34 hits), notwithstanding their excellent performance. In addition, noteworthy results from Rick Jaffe (32 hits), Pieter Eksteen (32 hits) and Michael Hitchcock (31 hits) challenged the top spots but fell short of the medals.

Zack Helber was the top scorer in the junior division and cleaned the first three targets on the junior range. The last target was intentionally made smaller to increase the difficulty level, where young Zach scored four successful impacts. Little Elmie du Preez (25 hits) and Konrad Beukes (26 hits) put in a commendable effort to finish second and third. Well done to all our young snipers!

We would like to thank all those who participated, and especially invite the youngsters back to come and give their parents another run for their money! To our host Pieter Eksteen, thank you for preparing the range and for your time and commitment to help grow the Send IT initiative.



Anyone in need of additional information can contact Charl Gous on 083 4696 181. Be sure to follow Send IT, ELR Shooting on Facebook and send us a message to join the Send IT Telegram group where all communications are posted.

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Next up:

Send IT ULTRA Event, 2 to 4 May 2024

The **ULTRA** event has gained in popularity, necessitating minor changes to the shooting format to accommodate more shooters. The event will once again be held at the beautiful Karoo King of the Plains Shooting Range over three days.

Days 1 and 2 are dedicated to a team competition. On Day 3, the top performing individual shooters will fight it out for the coveted **ULTRA** title.

Days 1 and 2 – Team Match:

Two person teams engage the course. Targets are set 800 m to 2 201 m and shot from six different ranges over two days. Each range consists of three targets and each shooter will fire three shots at a target.

Shooters will be divided into two groups. On Day 1, Group 1 engages Ranges 1 to 3 while Group 2 shoots Ranges 4 to 6. On Day 2, the groups switch and complete the remaining ranges. Each match participant fires 27 shots a day for a total of 54 shots for the team match.

Scores from Days 1 and 2 will be added to determine the team winners. In addition, individual scores will be used to calculate an individual ranking table to decide qualifying shooters for the Top 21 Individual Final.

Day 3 – Top 21 Individual Final:

The Top 21 individual shooters (as per the cumulative scores achieved on Days 1 and 2) will be divided into three groups.

Each group engages three predetermined ranges (with three targets per range), rotating through the course of fire. Shooters engage the targets **without the assistance of a team member or spotter** and fire an additional 27 rounds. Scores from Days 1, 2 and the final (Day 3) will be added to determine the individual shooter ranking.

The above format will provide a very competitive, widely attended, and testing three-day ELR match, where the top performers fire a total of 81 shots at distances up to 2 201 m to determine the **ULTRA** winner. In addition, shooters will be tested in broadly similar atmospheric conditions as their counterparts as the pre-determined groups move through the range.

We have a couple of slots available, so get in contact and do not miss the opportunity to take part and learn and develop your ELR skills in a friendly and welcoming environment. 🏆

Until next time... get ready to... Send IT

Send IT, ELR Shooting - event dates 2024	
Date	Format & Venue
20 January	2-Mile Challenge Matroosbergstasie Skietklub
10 February	ELR Match Darling Steel Valley
9 March	PEKS Range .22LR ELR Wellington
16 March	2-Mile Challenge Matroosbergstasie Skietklub
13 April	2-Mile Challenge Matroosbergstasie Skietklub
2-4 May	Send IT ULTRA Hanover, Northern Cape
25 May	2-Mile Challenge Matroosbergstasie Skietklub
7 September	PEKS Range .22LR ELR Wellington
28 September	ELR Match Darling Steel Valley
2 November	ELR Match Darling Steel Valley
16 November	2-Mile Challenge FINAL Matroosbergstasie Skietklub

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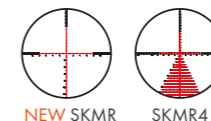
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