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Send IT, ELR Shooting: 2026 First Quarter Report Back

By Charl Gous



Year to date, Send IT, ELR Shooting hosted three events consisting of a 1-Mile ELR Championship match at Darling Steel Valley, a .22LR ELR competition at PEKS Shooting Range near Wellington, and the first of three 2-Mile Challenge qualifying matches at Matrosbergstasie near De Doorns. Both the 1-Mile Championship and 2-Mile Challenge will lead to a series finale towards the latter part of 2026. In addition to our active match schedule, the team is working hard to deliver another successful Send IT **ULTRA**, our annual, multi-day, flagship event where shooters from across the country and internationally compete. More about this testing ELR match later in the article.

Format changes

The New Year provided an opportunity to refine our match formats. For the 1-Mile championship, the range was set from 991 m to 1 857 m, featuring about 2 MOA targets at each distance, covering four courses with four targets each. New targets, set at closer distances, were introduced to

accommodate different equipment levels and two shooting classes, being a 'light' and 'heavy' class, as detailed below:

'Light' class

- limited to a maximum calibre of .308
- producing 4 000 foot pounds (ft-lb) energy or less
- based on a Magnum bolt face or smaller

'Heavy' class

- limited to a maximum calibre of .338
- producing 7 500 foot pounds (ft-lb) energy or less
- based on a Lapua bolt face or smaller

The addition of a 'light' class not only recognises those who take on ELR distances with modest equipment but provide additional impetus to the match with a fuller field of shooters. From a procedural aspect, 'light' class shooters engaged Targets 1 to 3, while 'heavy' class participants shot Targets 2 to 4 on each range.

The scoring methodology remains unchanged. Each class fired two shots at their respective first and second

target and three shots at their allocated third target (Target 3 for 'light' class and Target 4 for 'heavy' class) for a total of seven shots per range and 28 for the match.

The .22LR ELR match at PEKS Shooting Range also saw minor changes, with the introduction of a tiny (10 cm by 10 cm) cold bore target set at the first target (155 m, 188 m, and 166 m) of each of the three ranges. The course was made up of three ranges with targets set from 155 m to 423 m, fitted with electronic hit indicators to confirm successful impacts.

All targets were 30 cm x 30 cm in size, apart from the cold bore targets mentioned before. Each match participant took one shot at the cold bore target, followed by five shots at each target, with three standard targets per range, for a 48-round count for the match.

To accommodate our young shooters, we again set up a separate junior range with targets from 88 m to 268 m. The juniors have their own set of targets smaller in size to make it more challenging to hit at closer distances.

SEND IT, ELR Shooting

Date 7 February 2026
Venue Darling Steel Valley



Target 1 A	Target 2 A	Target 3 A	Target 4 A
1150 m	994 m	991 m	1026 m
Target 1 B	Target 2 B	Target 3 B	Target 4 B
1258 m	1395 m	1428 m	1541 m
Target 1 C	Target 2 C	Target 3 C	Target 4 C
1349 m	1539 m	1560 m	1692 m
Target 1 D	Target 2 D	Target 3 D	Target 4 D
1473 m	1651 m	1857 m	1754 m

Send IT, ELR Shooting .22LR ELR

PEKS Shooting Range
7 March 2026



.22LR ELR Range		Range 1	Range 2	Range 3
Cold Bore (m)		155	188	166
Target 1	Distance (m)	155	188	166
Target 2	Distance (m)	261	343	265
Target 3	Distance (m)	423	392	421
Junior Range		Range 1	Range 2	
Target 1	Distance (m)	88	180	
Target 2	Distance (m)	120	236	
Target 3	Distance (m)	148	268	

2-Mile Challenge

For 2026, we introduced a cold bore target to the 2-Mile Challenge and reduced the number of qualifying matches to assist with the workload. The cold bore target was set at 1 696 m (1 855 yd), measuring 1 MOA. The series will consist of three 2-Mile Challenge qualifying matches, from which an individual shooter's two best scores will be used to calculate a year-to-date ranking table coupled with a series finale for the top fifteen shooters to be held on 14 November. After a busy couple of months we are again delighted to report back on the excellent achievements of Send IT shooters over the first quarter. What is even more gratifying is witnessing the camaraderie in celebrating the growth of shooters when new personal bests are set and accommodating several new shooters at our events. The best is seeing new shooters and specifically young shooters excel and achieve hits at extreme distances!

Send IT, ELR Shooting, 1-Mile Championship

7 February at Darling Steel Valley, Western Cape

A full house of forty eager shooters arrived at a well-prepared range. Thick fog and a firm West Coast wind delayed the start, setting the stage for a testing day. Once the mist cleared, Darling Steel Valley delivered its signature challenging conditions with 20 mph gusts that shifted direction without warning.

'Heavy' class:

Michael Hitchcock (338 LM AI) secured gold with a stellar 71% hit rate, followed by Ivan Fourie (33 XC) with 68% claiming silver. Charl Gous (338 LM AI) rounded out the podium positions with 64% to hang on to bronze.

'Heavy' class team division:

Teams Boetas (Charl Gous and Michael Hitchcock) took first placed team with a combined 68% hit rate, followed by Bomb Squad (Ivan Fourie and James Preyser) in second place (63%) and Weekend Warriors (Danie du Preez and Pieter Eksteen) in third place (54%).



Target Number	Cold Bore	Target 1	Target 2	Target 3	Target 4	Target 5
Distance (in meters)	1696	1697	1996	2145	2340	3246
Distance (in yards)	1855	1856	2183	2346	2559	3550
Target Size, cm (H & W)	50	80	100	100	110	165
Target Size, MOA (H & W)	1.01	1.62	1.72	1.60	1.62	1.75

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▲ Paul van Gass



▲ Mathys du Preez



▲ Arthur Kemp



▲ Charl Gous

'Light' class:

Matthew Tennant (7 mm PRC) dominated with a solid 50% hit rate that secured him gold and placed him 16th overall on the day. Charles du Plessis Jnr and Snr went home with silver and bronze in addition to the team division win for their class. A special shout-out to Charles Snr for mentoring the next generation. Seeing Charles Jnr excel in the demanding world of ELR shooting was a true highlight of the day.

Send IT, ELR Shooting, .22LR ELR match

7 March 2026 at PEKS Shooting Range

The match kicked off with difficult conditions that refused to let up. Shooters faced a strong 10 mph to 18 mph full value wind blowing from the left, which aggressively oscillated between 9 and 11 o'clock. Competitors had to stay alert to the changing conditions, spinning the dials on their rifle scopes to keep up with the adjustments required to hit the targets.



▲ Deon Fabel



▲ Andrew Roseveare



▲ Pieter Eksteen



▲ Franscois Gous



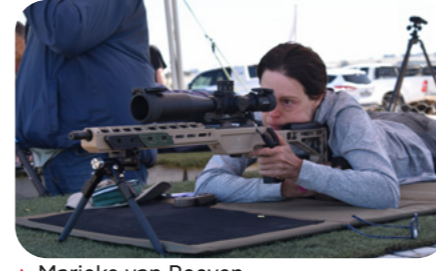
▲ Dries Oberholzer



▲ Lynette Gous



▲ Kobus Swardt



▲ Marieke van Rooyen



▲ Tian Vermeulen and Cienna Vermeulen

Top scores were separated by only a few hundred points. Sixteen-year-old Carlo Gous (33 hits), Anjo Venter (31 hits) and Paul van Gass (32 hits)



▲ Carlo Gous



▲ Anjo Venter



▲ Peru van Staden



▲ In image Ivan Fourie and Ivan Fourie Jr.



▲ Lea Kotze and Bernard Kotze spotting

secured the top three and took home gold, silver, and bronze respectively.

The competition was just as fierce on the junior range, where siblings and



▲ Bernard Eksteen



▲ Gerrie Hough



▲ Tian Vermeulen



▲ Ivan Fourie Jr.

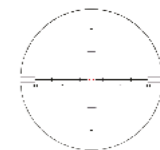


▲ Berrick Kotze

friends went head-to-head to secure Send IT medals. Schalkie Jacobs delivered an impressive performance, dropping only four shots out of thirty to secure gold.

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In addition, Lea Kotze claimed silver with an impressive 23 hits, followed closely by Ivan Fourie Jnr with 21 to take bronze. We are incredibly proud of the energy and skill these young shooters bring to the firing line. Finally, a huge thanks to our visitors from Namibia and the Eastern Cape. We truly appreciate the long hours spent on the road to join us. Your presence made the occasion even more memorable.



▲ Bernard Kotze guiding Schalkie Kotze Jnr.



▲ Markus Jacobs



▲ L to R: Paul van Gass, Carlo Gous and Anjo Venter



▲ L to R: Cienna Vermeulen, Schalkie Jacobs Jnr, Lea Kotze, Markus Jacobs, Berrick Kotze, Ivan Fourie Jnr. – not in image

Send IT, ELR Shooting, 2-Mile Challenge

14 March 2026

(Qualifying match 1 of 3)
at Matroosbergstasie Shooting Range,
Western Cape

The sun was out in full force, providing a hot and dry backdrop well suited to ELR shooting. A tricky 4 mph to 8 mph wind oscillating between 1 and 2 o'clock did just enough to push bullets left and right of the targets requiring shooters to make quick adjustments not to get caught out. This was a very exciting match with great scores and plenty of memories to share.

Below are the distances and hit rates. These are remarkable results from a small group of dedicated ELR shooters that continue to support each other with superb camaraderie.

- Target 1 at 1 697 m (1 856 yd): 67%
- Target 2 at 1 996 m (2 183 yd): 48%
- Target 3 at 2 145 m (2 346 yd): 36%
- Target 4 at 2 340 m (2 559 yd): 24%
- Target 5 at 3 246 m (3 550 yd): 12%



▲ Charl Gous presenting the shooters briefing



▲ Charl Gous at 07:23

The top three were separated by just one shot. Interestingly, it included four impacts on the 2-Mile target and each shooter hitting all five targets on the range.

Ivan Fourie, using his trusted 375 CT, made 14 hits, including the 2-Mile target, to take home gold (again). In a close second was Tony Ingram, using a 375 CT, with 13 hits, including two hits on the 2-Mile target (a personal best). Karl van Eck (375 CT) also had 13 hits, including the 2-Mile target, but had to settle for bronze. Well done gents; great shooting!

Additional highlights included the cold bore target, measuring 50 cm or 1 MOA, hit by Pieter Eksteen and Izak Hanekom, and an individual performance worthy of mention. Fifteen-year-old Andre Hanekom (338 LM AI) delivered a standout result to secure 5th position on the day. This was Andre's first 2-Mile Challenge competition. He used a 338 LM AI rifle some would consider to be the minimum cartridge to take on such extreme distances in a competitive format.



▲ Ivan Fourie at 07:19



▲ Deon Fabel at 07:26



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Nr	Name & Surname	Caliber	Target 1					Target 2					Target 3					Target 4					Target 5					Total Nr. of HITS	TOTAL SCORE								
			1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E	1A	1B	1C	1D	1E										
1	Ivan Fourie	375 CT	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	45,780	Heavy Gun
2	Tony Ingram	375 CT	0	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	40,157	Heavy Gun	
3	Karl van Eck	375 CT	0	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	37,643	Heavy Gun	
4	Riaan Ludik	375 CT	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	32,724	Heavy Gun	
5	Andre Hanekom	338 LM AI	0	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	30,476	Light Gun	
6	Rigardt Botha	375 CT	0	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	29,986	Heavy Gun	
7	Danie du Preez	416 Hellfire	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	29,390	Heavy Gun	
8	Pieter Eksteen	375 CT	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	29,296	Heavy Gun	
9	Peter Kenmuir	33 XC	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	29,111	Light Gun	
10	Izak Hanekom	375 CT	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	27,350	Heavy Gun	
11	Edgar Doubell	375 CT	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	26,278	Heavy Gun	
12	Charl Gous	416 Hellfire	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	24,652	Heavy Gun	
13	Warwick du Preez	375 CT	0	-	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	20,708	Heavy Gun	
14	Giancarlo Ferrone	375 CT	0	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	19,844	Heavy Gun	
15	Loutjie Hanekom	375 ST	0	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	18,206	Heavy Gun	
16	Deon Fabel	37 XC	0	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	17,512	Heavy Gun	
17	Brendan Speck	338 LM AI	0	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	13,984	Light Gun	



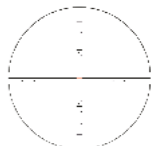
▲ Danie du Preez at 07:36



▲ Giancarlo Ferrone at 07:43

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▲ Riaan Ludik at 07:56



▲ Pieter Eksteen at 08:16



▲ Andre Hanekom at 09:27



▲ Brendan Speck at 09:31



▲ Warwick du Preez and Karl van Eck



▲ Loutjie Hanekom at 09:51



▲ Warwick du Preez at 10:03

However, Andre showed great composure, hitting every target on the range, including the 2-Mile target. In addition, to date, Andre is the youngest Send IT shooter to make impact at the mighty 2-Mile target. Congratulations, young man, we hope to see you at all future 2-Mile Challenges.

The 2-Mile Challenge on 14 March produced ten two-mile impacts to be added to the already impressive list of hits achieved since 2023. Below we provide the history of all 2-Mile impacts achieved at Send IT competitions, as well as the number of hits each shooter recorded at a particular match.

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▲ Edgar Doubell at 10:15

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Send IT, ELR Shooting – Challenge Target, 14 March 2026
Four competitors had impacts on the 4 101 m / 4 485 yd target



L to R: Charl Gous, Ivan Fourie, Deon Fabel and Rigardt Botha.



4 101 m

▲ The 4 101 m target.



Danie du Preez at 11:44



Ivan Fourie at 12:23

Rifle set up: Charl Gous

Calibre	416 Hellfire
Bullet	Cutting Edge Lazer
Bullet weight	550 gr
Propellant	Vihtavuori N568
Brass	Bertram
Primer	Federal 215 Magnum Gold
Action	BAT
Trigger	TriggerTech
Barrel	Bartlein
Barrel length	36 inch
Barrel twist rate	8.5 twist
Muzzle brake	Warner Tool Company
Stock/chassis	Fusion Pro Chassis
Stock other	BipodeXt
Bipod	Accu-Tac HD 50
Rifle Scope	Nightforce ATACR 7-35 x 56
Scope rings	Spuhr
Additional elevation	2 x Nightforce Wedge Prism
Chronograph	Garmin Xero C1
Ballistic solver	Shooter
Elevation to hit target	90.2 Mil / 310 MOA
Environmental measurement	Calypso Wind Meter
TOF	10.2 s
Speed @ target	882 fps
Energy @ Target	951 ftlb
Spotters	Danie du Preez and Ivan Fourie

Rifle set up: Ivan Fourie

Calibre	375 Cheytac
Bullet	Berger Hybrid Target
Bullet weight	410 gr
Propellant	Vihtavuori 24N41
Brass	Peterson
Primer	Federal 215M
Action	Barnard
Trigger	Barnard
Barrel	Bartlein
Barrel length	35.5 inch
Barrel twist rate	10 twist
Muzzle brake	Gun Warrior X50
Stock/chassis	APW B-52
Bipod	Dieseldog Advantage
Rifle Scope	Zero Compromise
Scope rings	Tier One
Additional elevation	2 x Nightforce Wedge Prism
Chronograph	Garmin Xero C1
Ballistic solver	AB - Kestrel 5700
Elevation to hit target	87.9 Mil / 302 MOA
Environmental measurement	Kestrel
TOF	10.06s
Speed @ target	869 fps
Energy @ Target	688 ft-lb
Spotter	Danie Du Preez

Rifle set up: Deon Fabel

Calibre	37XC
Bullet	Cutting Edge Lazer
Bullet weight	400 gr
Propellant	Vihtavuori N568
Brass	Peterson
Primer	CCI250
Action	Barnard
Trigger	Barnard
Barrel	Schneider
Barrel length	33 inch
Barrel twist rate	9 twist
Muzzle brake	Warrior Beast
Stock/chassis	Warrior ELR
Stock other	N/a
Bipod	Accu-Tac HD 50
Rifle Scope	Schmidt & Bender 6-36X56 DT35
Scope rings	Spuhr
Additional elevation	Charlie Tarac and Nightforce Wedge Prism
Chronograph	Garmin Xero C1
Ballistic solver	AB - Kestrel 5700E
Elevation to hit target	94.5 Mil / 328 MOA
Environmental measurement	Wind Zero and Kestrel 5700E
TOF	10.5s
Speed @ target	842 fps
Energy @ Target	629 ft-lb
Spotter	Warwick du Preez

Rifle set up: Rigardt Botha

Calibre	375 CheyTac
Bullet	Berger Hybrid Target
Bullet weight	410 gr
Propellant	Vihtavuori N570
Brass	Peterson
Primer	Federal 215
Action	Victrix Throne
Trigger	Victrix
Barrel	Bartlein
Barrel length	38 inch
Barrel twist rate	8 twist
Muzzle brake	APW Titan
Stock/chassis	APW B52
Stock other	BipodeXt
Bipod	Dieseldog Advantage
Rifle Scope	Nightforce ATACR 7-35 x 56
Scope rings	EraTac
Additional elevation	2 x Nightforce Wedge Prism
Chronograph	Garmin Xero C1
Ballistic solver	Kestrel 5700E
Elevation to hit target	89.6 Mil / 308MOA
Environmental measurement	Kestrel 5700E
TOF	10s
Speed @ target	857 fps
Energy @ Target	670 ft-lb
Spotters	Ivan Fourie and Peter Kenmuir



2-Mile Challenge Hit History

18/03/2023	20/05/2023	29/07/2023	20/01/2024	16/03/2024	13/04/2024	25/04/2024	16/11/2024	18/01/2025	15/03/2025	12/04/2025	24/05/2025	15/11/2025	14/03/2026	TOTAL
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Number of impacts achieved at 2-Miles

1 Andre Hanekom							2						1	3
2 Bernard Eksteen							2							2
3 Bernard Kotze	1													1
4 Charl Gous	3							1	3					7
5 Constantine Semka				1										1
6 Danie du Preez			1					1						2
7 Danie Koch								2						2
8 Deon Fabel											1		1	2
9 Dwayne Cronje			1				2							3
10 Edgar Doubell					3									3
11 Ivan Fourie			2	1									1	4
12 Izak Hanekom	1							1	2				1	5
13 James Preyser	1		1	1	1									4
14 JD Els								1						1
15 John Justus	1	1												2
16 Karl van Eck													1	1
17 Loutjie Hankom			1				2	1		1				5
18 Michael Hitchcock	1													1
19 Pieter Eksteen					1		3	1					1	6
20 Pieter Meyer									2					2
21 Riaan Ludik													2	2
22 Tony Ingram								1					2	3
23 Warwick du Preez						1		2						3

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From the data we can make interesting observations based on the 14 matches to date: 23 shooters have made impact at two-miles, representing the lion's share of shooters who have attended Send IT 2-Mile competitions. Three shooters (Charl Gous, Edgar Doubell and Pieter Eksteen) have been able to hit the target with three of their allowed five shots, and several shooters achieved two hits in a match. Since inception, the 2-Mile target has been hit 65 times or 4.6 times per match on average.

In addition to the Send IT 2-Mile Challenge, we arranged a 'side match' where shooters, under the same rules and procedures, took five shots at a target on the clock. The target was set at 4 101 m (4 485 yd), 1.47 MOA high and 2.14 wide.

The reasoning for the 'side match' was that should these targets be included in the official match, it would deter shooters from entering, given the extreme distance and equipment limitations to reach these targets. Not to mention the luck factor. However, and this is where it gets interesting: never did we think we would be reporting the remarkable results achieved on 14 March.

Five hits – yes, five hits – from four shooters at 4 101 m (4 485 yd) were recorded and verified with a camera system. Charl Gous, Deon Fabel, Ivan Fourie, and Rigardt Botha walked away with bragging rights and a day they will never forget. We held the same 'side match' on previous occasions and share the data in the table below.



Send IT, ELR Shooting 2-Mile Challenge Matroosbergstasieskietklub

Date	Nr. of HITS	Nr. of HITS	Nr. of HITS	Nr. of HITS	Nr. of HITS	Nr. of HITS	Nr. of HITS
16/03/2024	3611	3913	3587	3887	4060	3791	4101
Distance (in meters)	3949	4279	3923	4251	4440	4146	4485
Distance (in yards)	160	175	160	175	175	160	175
Target Size, cm (H)	1.52	1.54	1.53	1.55	1.48	1.45	1.47
Target Size, MOA (H)	240	255	240	255	255	240	255
Target Size, cm (W)	2.28	2.24	2.30	2.25	2.16	2.18	2.14
Target Size, MOA (W)							

Name & Surname	16/03/2024	16/03/2024	13/04/2024	13/04/2024	18/01/2025	15/03/2025	14/03/2026
Charl Gous				1	1		2
Deon Fabel							1
Dwayne Cronje	1						
Edgar Doubell			2				
Hendrie Brink			1				
Ivan Fourie			1				1
Izak Hanekom	1		1				
Johan Coetzee			1				
Pieter Eksteen		1	1				
Pieter Meyer				1		1	
Rigardt Botha							1
Warwick du Preez	2						

Evaluating the above we can conclude that collectively twelve Send IT shooters have registered ten impacts at distances in excess of 4 000 yd

(3 658 m) and 11 hits at distances from 3 900 yd (3 566 m) to 4 000 yd (3 658 m), thus 21 impacts at over 3 900 yd (3 566 m) since 2024.



▲ Winners: Send IT ELR Shooting 2-Mile Challenge, 14 March 2026
L to R Ivan Fourie, Tony Ingram, Andre Hanekom and Lammie van Staden from Peterson Brass



Next up: The Send IT ULTRA 2026

The highlight for the next quarter will undoubtedly be the Send IT **ULTRA**, our flagship event to be hosted from 30 April to 2 May 2026. The fifth consecutive **ULTRA** event will once again be held at the beautiful Karoo King of the Plains Shooting Range. At the time of writing, about seventy individuals (35 two-man teams) from across South Africa, Namibia, and France have entered to take on what we deem to be the most testing ELR competition in the country.

Send IT, ELR Shooting, event dates 2026

Date	Format & Venue
7 February	1-Mile Challenge Q1 Darling Steel Valley <small>Hosted by APW & 3% Tactical</small>
7 March	PEKS Range .22LR ELR Wellington
14 March	2-Mile Challenge Q1 Matroosbergstasie Skietklub
28 March	1-Mile Challenge Q2 Darling Steel Valley <small>Hosted by APW & 3% Tactical</small>
11 April	2-Mile Challenge Q2 Matroosbergstasie Skietklub
30 April - 2 May	Send IT ULTRA Hanover, Northern Cape
23 May	2-Mile Challenge Q3 Matroosbergstasie Skietklub
25 July	ELR Match (Send IT format) Loeriesfontein, NC <small>Brought to you by Lambert Brand at Taaboskraal</small>
5 September	PEKS Range .22LR ELR Wellington
26 September	1-Mile Challenge Q3 Darling Steel Valley <small>Hosted by APW & 3% Tactical</small>
31 October	1-Mile Challenge FINAL Darling Steel Valley <small>Hosted by APW & 3% Tactical</small>
14 November	2-Mile Challenge FINAL Matroosbergstasie Skietklub

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 individual **ULTRA** title.

Days 1 and 2 - Team Match:

Two person teams will engage the course. Targets will be set from 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 for a 54-round count.

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 engage three predetermined ranges (with three targets per range) and fire an additional 27 rounds.

The above format will provide for a 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 individual **ULTRA** winner.

We look forward to report back on the achievements of Send IT shooters at the **ULTRA** event in upcoming *On Target Africa* magazine editions, both print and online.

Lastly, we thank the people who put in the demanding work to prepare our ranges and promote sport shooting. Hendrie Brink (Darling Steel Valley), Pieter Eksteen (PEKS Shooting Range), Estian du Preez (Matroosbergstasie Shooting Range): we thank you for your efforts and for making your facilities available for all to enjoy. In addition, the 1-Mile Championship match was expertly hosted by 3% Tactical and APW. Their contribution has been invaluable, easing the workload and delivering an excellent experience for all participants. We appreciate all your efforts. 🇿🇦

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

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