

# **CHASA Shotgun Event: African Shotgun Sport Shoots**

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## **OVERVIEW**

These CHASA Shotgun Events are to be included within the POSTAL Shoot and CHASA Sports Shooting events of CHASA. Much like the Sports Shooting event its objective is to be fun, enhance the shooting skill or familiarity with one's firearm and (in this case) build interest in Shotgun shooting. While further improving camaraderie amongst members and offer members additional avenues in which to enjoy their hunting and shooting activities.

This event will also cater to break-action and semi-auto action shotgun sports shooting requirements. The Feathers and Fur event (12 Clays) will serve as an initiator building interest in other Shotgun events such as Sporting, Compak or Trap as held by other organisations. While also being the event to provide proof of Sports Shooting participation. The CHASA 25 Clay event will cater for the more advanced participants and go towards an Annual CHASA Shotgun Ranking.

We accept that various proprietary clay or wingshooting events operate internationally and within South Africa. We don't wish to challenge these, but rather look at offering a CHASA Shotgun Sporting Event that can be included within the Sports Shooting Event portfolio Again this is to focus on actual shooting/hunting experiences in the field.

- Shoot 1 – CHASA Feathers and Fur (12 Clays)
- Shoot 2 – CHASA Clays Sports (25 Clays)

# SHOOT 1 – CHASA FEATHERS AND FUR

## SHOTGUN SPORT SHOOTING EVENT CRITERIA

This, the **Feathers and Fur Event**, will be adopted as the CHASA Shotgun Sports Shooting event. As such will have similar rules and criteria as the CHASA Postal Shoot. In order to qualify as a CHASA Sports Shooter the participants will need to:

- Be a member in good standing of a CHASA Affiliate,
- Be a CHASA affiliated Dedicated Hunter,
- Be a CHASA Dedicated Sports Shooter,
- In order to qualify as a CHASA endorsed Sports Shooter (using Shotgun), a member will need to participate in two (2) Feather and Fur events and a further two (2) each year to maintain the Sports Shooter status (this will assist members who only participate in Shotgun shoots and wish to hold Sports Shooter status.
- Results will be captured into the CHASA Sports Shooting ranking website,

## SHOTGUN SPORT SHOOTING EVENT STRUCTURE

As with other established CHASA Sports Shooting events there will be three (3) division namely, Juniors, Ladies and Mens.

These divisions will each offer the shoot in two (2) categories of CLASSIC and MODERN:

- Category 1 - Classic
  - Limited to Side-by-side and Over-and-under,
  - No pre-mounting of the firearm is permitted,
  - Maximum 32 grams shells using #7 to #9 shot (2.25mm shot),
  - Multi-choke setups are permitted, but no changing whilst on the stand,
  - 12Ga only,
  - Maximum 2 shots at each target/clay,
  - Clays are intended to be the standard clay, although should RO's wish to introduce variety they can include options such as:
    - Mini, Super Mini, Battue, Teal clays
  - Fur targets to consist of paper based targets with fitted standard clay in vitals,
- Category 2 - Modern
  - For Semi-auto shotguns and pump action with a barrel of at least 24",
  - No pre-mounting of the firearm is permitted,
  - Any Gauge or bore,
  - Multi-choke setups are permitted, but no changing whilst on the stand,
  - Maximum 32 grams shells using #7 to # 9 shot (2.25mm shot),
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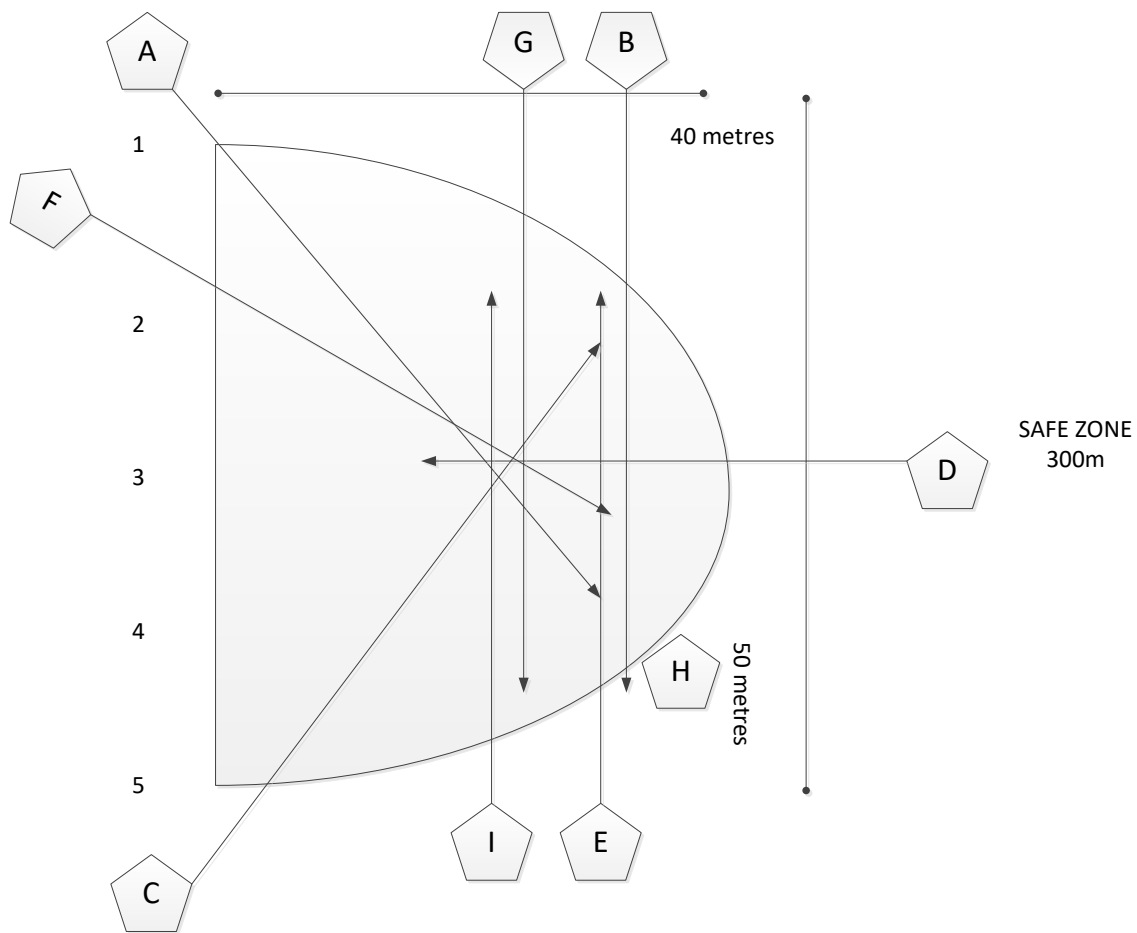
### **SHOOTING COURSE RANGE**

CHASA Range rules, with limited refinements applicable to shotgun, will apply within the framework of the South African Standard for Small Arms Ranges for Ranges in respect of Clay Shooting. The table will be a  $\frac{1}{2}$  circle circumference (  $\frac{1}{2}$  pie segment) with stands at 5 positions starting from point of 0 degrees through to 180 degrees as per the diagram that follows.

Shooting stands are a minimum of 2m apart, and as determined by the presiding CHASA RO for safety. The trap positions are recommended positions in order to ensure a standard shoot is shot at all participating clubs - but your range may dictate minor changes for safety concerns.

The range is to be a clear 40m x 50m arc, with a further 300m available beyond the 40m as a safe zone. Below is a Guideline on setting the course with 6 traps (Feathers at A, B, C, D and E and 3 "Fur" setups at F, G and I).

The CHASA Shotgun (Feathers and Fur) paper targets are available from the CHASA Office and are available in Left or Right facing so no shottists is continually disadvantaged (right or left).



### SHOOTING COURSE STRUCTURE

In keeping to our “hunting” focus we propose the shooting course will consist of 7 stands made up of 5 bird stands, 1 hare stand, 1 bushpig/warthog stand and 1 caracal stand which reflect the most common hunting experiences of feather or fur with a shotgun in South Africa:

- Phase 1 - Bird stands
  - A combination of options with one stand offering a double may be setup such as:
    - **Stand 1** shoots (1 point)
      - **Bird A** (Quartering away 1, left to right)
    - **Stand 2** shoots (1 point)
      - **Bird B** (Fast cross bird, 90° perpendicular to stands)
    - **Stand 3** shoots (1 point)
      - **Bird D** (High bird incoming),
    - **Stand 4** shoots (1 point)
      - **Birds E** - Fast bird (Fast cross bird, 90° perpendicular to stands),
    - **Stand 5** shoots (1 point)
      - **Bird C** (Quartering away 2, right to left)

## Phase 2 – Doubles and fur

- **Stand 1** shoots (1 point)
  - Warthog
    - **Warthog G** - Ground level zipline or running track (also consider a 3 second pop-up target of a warthog) “warthog target” (see pic at end of document) at a distance of 25m with a clay heart fitted to vital zone,
    - CHASA has endorsed the CHASA Chargebox, which is available by speaking to the CHASA Office.
- **Stand 2** (2 points)
  - An **elected double following pair** (can be substituted with a “simultaneous” or “on report” to introduce variety)
    - one each of Left to Right or Right to left shooters choice (in other words a combination of either A and E or C and B only),
- **Stand 3** shoots (1 point)
  - Hare
    - **Hare F** - Ground based hare clay diagonally leaving next to stand 2
- **Stand 4** (2 points)
  - An **elected double following pair** (can be substituted with a “simultaneous” or “on report” to introduce variety)
  - one each of Left to Right or Right to left shooters choice (in other words a combination of either A and E or C and B only),
- **Stand 5** shoots (1 point)
  - Caracal
    - **Caracal H** – Wooden stake 2m above of ground with fitted “caracal target” (see pic at end of document) at a minimum distance of 25m. It can be moved further away to increase difficulty. Wooden poles with caracal paper target and clay fitted to vital heart zone using clips or tape,
    - Prepare multiple caracal targets in advance so RO/trapper only has to remove stake and place next one during stand change,

The event will be shot in “details or squads” of 5 guns with all details shooting the full course of ten (10) stands in rotation before the next detail commences.

- **SCORECARD**

- Scoring
  - The usual “broken or fragmented clay counts as kill,
  - TOTAL possible full house score : 12
- CHASA will make the scorecards available to clubs to (this is to replace the cost recovery model of buying targets from CHASA for the rifle Sports Shooting) cover the costs of the results database handling the Clay Shooting results. (+R75 per event)
- CHASA will sell the Bushpig/Warthog and Caracal targets to the clubs as with the Rifle Postal shoot at a price to be determined by CHASA.
- The Range Officer will capture results on a CHASA scorecard per registered shottist per category,

- The affiliate will submit the scores as with the POSTAL results to be loaded onto the CHASA RANKING Website scoring system. While maintain a copy for local record purposes and to support Sports Shooter Endorsements etc.

### **Special Targets (Available from the CHASA Office)**

For the fur targets paper life-size targets will be used. The target has a red circle over the vital area over which the clay must be suspended.

#### **Warthog**



#### **Caracal**



A clay needs to be suspended or affixed to this area. Box tape may be used, but resetting with tape takes time and as a second option a clay can be held by two clips and then tied to anchor points using fishing line or similar.

### A Clay held by Fold Over Clips



The warthog target will be fitted to a frame running on a ground level track. Targets are changed as shottists change stands. CHASA recommends making use of the CHASA Chargebox<sup>®</sup>, which has been modified to CHASA requirements for this shoot. Please contact the CHASA office to get the contact details to order your CHASA approved Chargebox. See below.



While the caracal should be fitted onto a wooden stake of which there are 2 meters between base of stake at ground level and the bottom edge of the target. Again a clay is fitted to the target in the vital heart zone. It is envisaged that the stake is slotted into a pre-dug hole in the ground and stakes can be swapped as shottists change stands.

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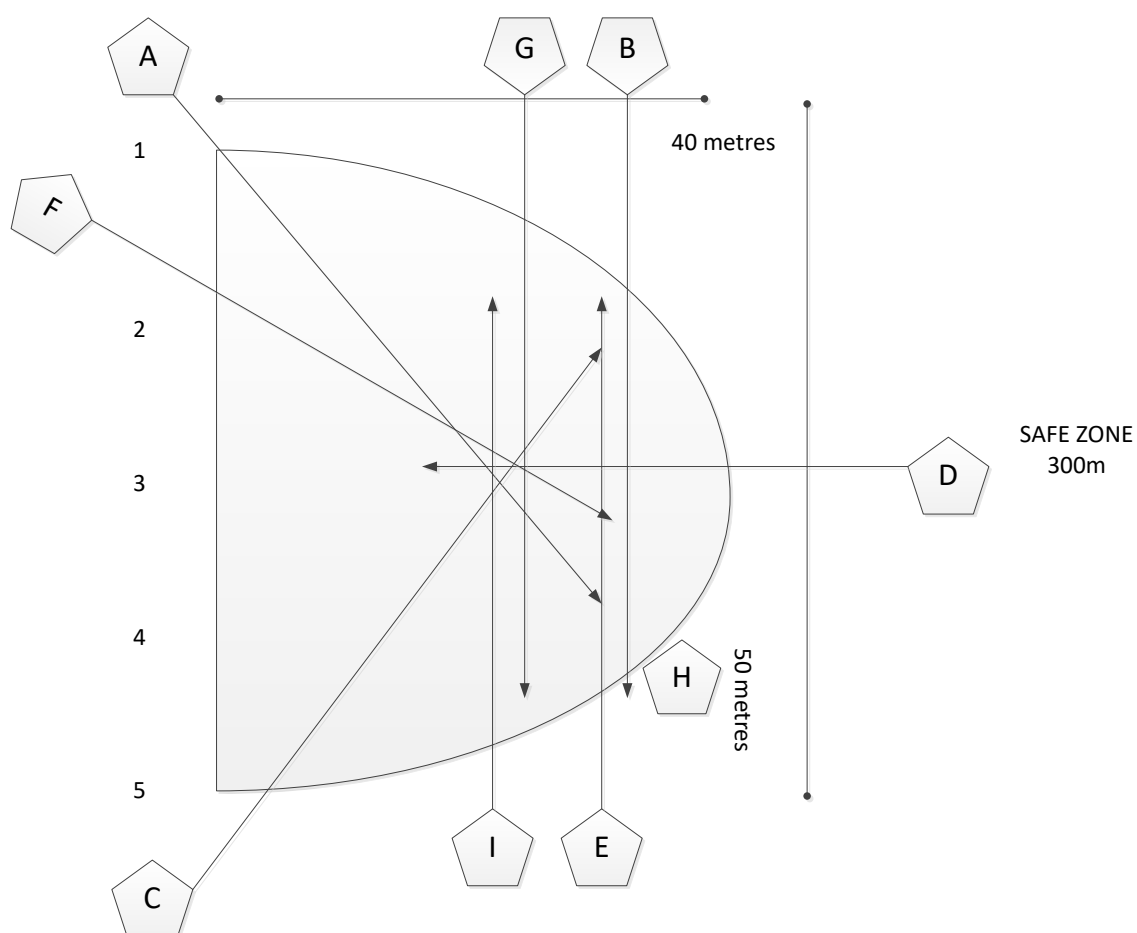


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Suggested Scoresheet (Available from the CHASA Office):

CHASA Shotgun Sports Shoot																		
Branch:		Category Classic:																
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