A Golden Ford

50 YEARS OF SHOOTING REWARDED

Pictured above is Reg Ford receiving his WARA 50 year certificate from City of Subiaco Rifle Club President Neil Carver.

The certificate is awarded to shooters who have completed 50 years of qualifying service to the sport, and has only been awarded to a small number of shooters over the years.

Reg – now in his eightieth year commenced shooting at the age of 30 years with the then Subiaco Rifle Club in 1959 and continued with them until 1979 when he moved to country WA and joined the Busselton Rifle Club, where he remained until his return to Perth in 1985 and resumed his association with the now City of Subiaco Rifle Club where he has continued as a highly respected member and competitor.

Reg has had an active role with the Veterans Rifle Shooters Association and held the position of President for some ten years. His major achievements include being a member of the winning Australian Veterans team to New Zealand in 1995 and also as a member of the successful Australian Veterans team to Bisley in 1996 which returned as World Champions. Winning the "B" Grade Queens in Sydney in 1991 and 23rd open badge in the WA Queens in 1993 also rank highly in his memoirs.

Having shot in every Queens Prize Meeting in Australia with the exception of Mackay during his shooting career totaling in excess of 50 Queens places him in a category few Western Australians are able to achieve.

His dedication to the sport combined with his likeable personality make him a popular figure at Swanbourne and it is expected that he will continue to be an active rifleman for many years to come; provided that he can stop breaking his leg as he so frequently does.