

CANTERBURY OUTDOOR TARGET SHOOTING

TSNZ 2026 Outdoor Nationals in Christchurch 14-21 February 2026

This programme brings together the TSNZ National Championships Programme as well as the South Island Championships designated matches and also combine Air Rifle events - combining these enable shooters to travel to Christchurch and have several matches across a week that go towards the national ranking lists.

Date	Event	Approximate Time
Day 1 Saturday 14/02/26	3x20 South Island Championships (designated match) <i>No 3P finals to be conducted</i>	~1200 (TBC)
	<i>Range open for practice at conclusion of 3x20 match</i>	
Day 2 Sunday 15/02/26	3x20 National Championships (designated match + final) <i>Range open for practice at conclusion of 3x20 match</i>	0900
	10m Air Rifle - Graded match	~1400 (TBC)
Day 3 Monday 16/02/26	50m Prone South Island Championships (designated match) 50m Benchrest National Championships (commences)	0900
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Day 4 Tuesday 17/02/26	50m prone - Graded match 1 50m Benchrest National Championships (continues)	0900
Day 5 Wednesday 18/02/26	50m prone - Graded match 2 50m Benchrest National Championships (concludes)	0900
Day 6 Thursday 19/02/26	Women's / Junior Prone National Championships Men's Elimination match	0900
	Women's Randle practice (PM)	1400 start (approx TBC)
Day 7 Friday 20/02/26	Men's Prone Qualification National Championships <i>No prone final to be conducted</i>	0900
	Randle Women's match	0830 (TBC)
	North vs South	1300 (approx TBC)
Day 8 Saturday 21/02/26	NZ Teams Slazenger / Wakefield / Women's / Juniors	0900
	Association Teams Match	1300 (approx TBC)
	Awards Dinner / Photos & Presentation	1730 photos 1830 meal & presentations

Further information sheet & entry form to come - now that the programme is approved, we will finalise this information.

Regards
COTS - Nationals Committee

Benchrest

Benchrest is planned to run concurrently with all matches across days 3-5. So every detail will have the ability to have benchrest shooters competing. The range will have multiple bays set up for shooters to complete in this event to the right hand side of the current range.

Benchrest is planned to be a 3x40 shot match (aggregate), with no more than 2 matches to be shot on any one day. We are considering pre-squadding this - similar to the prone event (TBC by the committee prior to the final schedule/programme being confirmed)

3x20 PET

Whilst we are required to have PET for the 3x20 match, we are proposing to run the SI Championships on Day 1, and enable practice following the event, to still meet the PET requirement for the nationals programme.

3x20 Finals

A 3x20 final will be conducted, as close as possible to ISSF requirements, on paper targets.

Badge Match - removed & replaced with the South Island Championships - designated match

The previous nationals badge match has been exchanged for the South Island Championships prone designated match. Cash prizes and the SI trophies will be presented.

Event start times

The posted start times are when competition shots will commence. Preparation and sighting will commence 15minutes prior (ie 0845hr for a 0900 start event).

Providing this draft Nationals programme is accepted by the Executive, Canterbury O/D will establish full start times for the events, so that shooters can further plan for details prior to arrival. This will go out on the Nationals Poster.

Air Rifle

It is planned to run Air Rifle events at the 2026 Nationals for the first time in many years. The Air Rifle will be run at the Bangor Range and can accommodate able bodied & para shooters to designated match standards. We are still in discussions with CPC regarding the testing and use of their 10m range (we will notify the office if the location changes prior to the event). The plan is to run a graded 60 shot match on Day 2, and then the designated match format on Day 3.

North vs South Teams

North & South teams are selected from a ranked list from each island, with the aggregate of the 2 x graded matches and the Women's/Junior and Men's Elimination events.

Dinner / Photo's / Presentations

We plan to have photo's & dinner at a similar venue to previous events in Hornby.

TSNZ Liaison

It is requested that TSNZ identify a TSNZ Liaison Officer for the event, and notify the committee in advance of who this will be.

Any questions, please direct them back to Denva Wren (COTS President) and the Canterbury Outdoor Club Committee.