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### **Media Release**

On the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of February 2017 the NHRSA held their 1<sup>st</sup> competition leg for 2017 season in Hentiesbay. There were 115 entries, including men and women, ranging from just 4 years up to 70 years old. The competition was once again held in the Omaruru River with uneven terrain, tricky wind conditions and an ever-present mirage yet again contributing to a challenging competition.

The competition consists out of 6 different ranges (4 life size target- and 2 gong ranges), with a maximum total score of 900 points (150point per range). Francois Marais jnr came the closest with his total score of 826, which gave him the title of the 2017 Hentiesbay Shoot Champion.

The winner for the ladies was Cornel Van Der Westhuizen with a score of 656.2. Eight of our competing participants where younger than 13 years, which is most exhilarating to see, as this will be the future of our sport in years to come. We trust that the rest of the year we will see even more juniors participating.

The rest of the results were are follows

#### **Overall**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Francois Marais jnr**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Pieter Vorster**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Johannes Andreas Marais**

#### **Gold Class**

**1st : Francois Marais jnr**

**2nd : Pieter Vorster**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Johannes Andreas Marais**

#### **Silver Class**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Cornel van der Westhuizen**

**2nd : Gaston Mertens**

**3rd: Karola Woortman**

#### **Bronze Class**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Callie van Heerden**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Johan Venter**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Philipje Baard**

**Penkoppe:**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Mike Baartman**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Janro Greeff**

**3<sup>rd</sup>: Vincent Maresch**

**Junior**

**1<sup>st</sup>: Henco Snyman**

**2<sup>nd</sup>: Johan Brockman**

**Ladies**

**1st : Cornel van der Westhuizen**

**2nd : Karola Woortman**

**3rd : Stephanie Marais**

**Seniors**

**1st : Karel Smith**

**2nd : Johannes van der Wath**

**3rd : Alfred Prosser**

**Veterans**

**1st : Hindie Van Rensburg Snr**

**2nd : JP Human**

**3rd : Bernatt Geldenhuys**

On Sunday the 222-223 class competition were held, with a few different rules setting it apart from the Open class. Only rifles chambered in .222Rem or .223Rem are allowed. This exciting new class was introduced last year as part of the NHRSA's shooting line-up, and the near 30 entries on Sunday proofs that this class already shows much promise in the competitions to come.

Francois Marais jnr also finished with a gold medal, followed by Gert Martins in the 2<sup>nd</sup> place Johan Venter in 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

The NHRSA would like to thank all its members and sponsors for their ongoing support and dedication in building this sport to one of the biggest shooting disciplines in Namibia. Special thank you to the Hentiesbay Municipality for making the Omaruru River mouth area available to us, and thereby ensuring a safe and beautiful venue. We trust to see you all at the next shoot in Gobabis on the 18<sup>th</sup> of March 2017.

The NHRSA would like to announce that we have acquired a new trailer for our equipment transportation to the various shoots throughout Namibia. Anyone interested in advertising space that will be available on the sides of the trailer, please contact Mike at [marketing@nhrsa.com](mailto:marketing@nhrsa.com).