

IN THE BLACK

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Not long now folks till the National Muzzle Loading Champs in Wellington at Labour weekend. The fellows at Greater Wellington Club always put on a great shoot and this one will be no different. Make sure your entry is away and 'be prepared to be entertained'.

The venue for next years North Island Champs has been confirmed as Wanganui on 7th-8th May 2005. The Wanganui Club were keen to raise the profile of Muzzle Loading shooting in their area and this will certainly do that.

I am extremely pleased to be able to report that the NZ Team to the World Muzzle Loading Champs in Indiana USA have returned as our most successful team ever with Brian Gould of Greymouth winning the Silver Medal in the Cominazzo (Replica Flintlock Pistol) event with a score of 92 (winning score 94) and the flintlock team finishing fourth, a scant 2 points away from third and only 3 points off the gold medal score. This is Brian's second World Championship medal, having won the Bronze at Australia in 2000. Do I see a pattern emerging here? Derek Barrett also shot consistently with an 11th and a 12th placing. Congratulations Brian and the whole team. The full results can be found at www.usimlt.org.



See you on the range

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