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Leyonhjelm scores bullseye for Sydney shooters

Liberal Democrats Senator for NSW David Leyonhjelm is delighted to announce that the future of shooting sports in Sydney is assured after a 50-year lease of the ANZAC Rifle Range at Malabar was signed by the NSW Rifle Association yesterday.

Senator Leyonhjelm made this a priority from day one of his tenure as Senator in 2014, and used it as a bargaining chip with the government on key pieces of legislation.

Senator Leyonhjelm said this brings to an end 20 years of legal action and uncertainty over the Malabar Range which has wasted public money, stalled local planning, and forced shooters not to upgrade their facilities.

“This has the potential to benefit around 55,000 sporting shooters who live in the Sydney Basin,” Senator Leyonhjelm said. “We now have a fantastic opportunity to upgrade to world class facilities, which would bring thousands of visitors to Sydney every year.”

Senator Leyonhjelm said that this outcome shows one Senator really can make a difference.

“I am proud of my record in representing shooters in the federal parliament,” Senator Leyonhjelm said. “This includes restoring regular meetings between shooters representatives and the Justice Minister, and forcing the government to re-think its illogical stance on restricting the lever-action Adler shotgun.

“However, I am greatly concerned about what could happen after the election. I will be asking shooters around Australia to recognise that the Liberal Democrats are their representatives in federal parliament and to support us in every state.