



**Why was King Arthur's army too tired to fight ?**

Because they had lots of  
sleepless knights !

**WHY DID THE ROMAN SOLDIERS BUILD STRAIGHT ROADS?**

**SO THAT THE SOLDIERS DIDN'T GO ROUND THE BEND!**



# Antique and Historical Arms in South Canterbury

Celebrating the 50th anniversary of the New Zealand Antique and Historical Arms Association.

**15 August - 13 September**

**Come and meet some of the collectors at the next**

**Explorers**

**session on Thursday 27th August at 3.30pm.**

*Take a look at military uniforms, war medals and explore different types of old guns.*

The European settlers in South Canterbury needed firearms for food gathering and the most useful gun was a double barreled muzzle loading shotgun. The shooter needed gun powder, carried in a metal powder flask, shot, carried in a leather shot flask, and wadding, usually felt or paper. The charge was fired with a little detonator called a percussion cap.

**Come and see some examples on display.**



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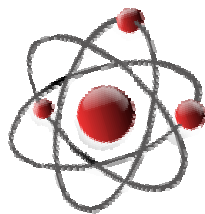
Lining up along the python snake skin to see how long it was! Director, Philip Howe also gave a graphic description of how the python kills it's prey.....

From the last session **exploring** lizards, snakes, crocodiles and other reptiles. Below is Philip Howe with the sea turtle shell and doing the quiz sheets to get those prizes!



**Are you a budding scientist ?**

**The best of the Science Fair entries will be on display at the South Canterbury Museum from the 19th September - 11th October**



*Did you know that*

**The world's loudest insect is an American cicada that can be heard 400 metres away and the world's fastest flying insect is an Australian dragonfly which can fly at 58 km/h for short bursts!**

**Coming up**

The September Explorers session will focus on

*bugs and insects*

so I hope we will see you on Thursday 24th September at 3.30pm

