# **Highwood Classic Arms**

### Service Report No4 Lee Enfield Calibre 0.303

Rifle: No4 Mk1\*

Manufacture: Long Branch (Canada)

Serial No: 5L667## Date of Manufacture: 1942



### Summary:

This rifle is fully serviceable to British Military standards and still has valid UK proof marks.

The bore is slightly dark but gauges within limits. There was a slight bur in the chamber which has been polished out.

The stock had shrunk slightly and was now poorly fitted, there was a split at the front trigger guard screw; this has now been dowelled & glued, bearing surfaces re-scraped & trigger guard collar adjusted for correct fit. The trigger pull was only single stage; this has been corrected & has the correct two stage trigger pull. The worn finish to the front sight was touched up with black enamel paint to prevent glare when shooting in sunny conditions. The wooden furniture has been wiped over with boiled linseed oil & polished.

#### Historical:

This rifle is a No4 Mk1\* manufactured by Long Branch in Canada in 1942. Long Branch produced 42,000 of these rifles in 1942. The serial number is correct for the year & for this manufacturer. The bolt has been replaced at some point and has been marked with the serial number of the rifle. The bolt has the S marking which would denote it was manufactured by Savage in America, who also manufactured No4 rifles & spares. The butt has been replaced at some time by one that was manufactured that is marked M47C; this is the war time code for BSA. All other components have the Long Branch markings. The rifle finish is Parkerizing, which would indicate it has been through a Factory Thorough Repair (FTR), possibly at Long Branch because there are no British FTR markings. There is also N↑Z marks, which denotes it has been in New Zealand military ownership at some time. This rifle is a good example and appears to be in the original condition that it left military service.

## Checks:

Full Function Test Pass

Gauging:

Head Space Pass Barrel Breach Pass Barrel Muzzle Pass Barrel Run Through Gauge Pass Muzzle Bearing Pass Striker Protrusion Pass **Bolt Head Over Rotation** Pass Trigger Pull Pass

Fit of Forend Correct Two Stage Trigger Correct Smoothness of Trigger Correct Fit of Hand Guards Correct Butt Correctly Installed Correct Sling Swivels Free to Move Correct Sights Front & Rear Correct Bolt Head Cut Out (No4 MK1\*) Serviceable