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The CPSA Annual Awards was another hallmark event for our sport, and I would like to offer my personal congratulations once again to all of the winners. You can read more about each of them in the article on pages 13-19. I'd also like to thank the sponsors for the evening, starting with our headline sponsor Musto, and all of the individual award sponsors: Browning, Castellani Alu UK, Fellows Media Ltd, GMK/Beretta, Laporte, The Clay Pigeon Company, Vario Hearables, and Solware, as well as Romero Sports and Leisure who were the Wine Sponsors. We look forward to working with all of them throughout the forthcoming clay shooting year.

Be sure to check out Parting Shots on page 82, where we interview the Sports Personality of the Year Award winner Tony Axcell. We will continue to feature our award winners in various articles throughout 2020, so keep an eye out for them.

Our How to Hit series returns this month on pages 28-29. This year, CPSA Senior Coach Simon Arbuckle will present an introduction to FITASC Sporting. We hope that those Sporting shooters who have been curious about FITASC Sporting will find the articles helpful and will be encouraged to try out this discipline.

Unfortunately, the Premier League opening shoot at Orston on 9 February has been postponed to 1 March due to Storm Ciara, but this does give you more time to sign on to a team if you haven't done so! I encourage you to see the Chairman's Report, Directors' Report, and Financial Statements on pp. 35-46. Finally, the CPSA AGM is on 21 March at 2pm at the Chesford Grange Hotel in Kenilworth, all members are invited to attend.

IAIN PARKER // Chief Executive.



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CLUBHOUSE NEWS

THE SCHOOLS CHALLENGE SUPER FINAL CAR PRIZES WON BY JUNIORS

The Schools Challenge (TSC) Super Final was held on 7 December 2019 – welcoming pupils from all across the country that competed to win MG cars, one for a boy and for a girl.

Everyone who competed had worked hard all year to reach the qualifying stages held by TSC, at The Oxford Gun Company's shooting school in Oakley.

All scores from previous shoots were wiped clean so everyone was in with the chance of reaching the Super Final.

The morning began with a 50-bird competition set across six stands, the pupils were split up into four groups to shoot the course. Five pupils tied on 39, leaving one place left in the Super Final. The five pupils – Darcy McBride, Ben Rimmer, Henry Lungley, Toby Hammond, and Jason Au – went

...everyone was in with the chance of reaching the Super Final.

head-to-head to hit every target thrown. After three dropped targets, Jason Au from Bredon School and Toby Hammond from Sparsholt College competed for the final place in the Super Final.

Charlotte Holmes was in front of the girls until she missed her last two targets. Bethany Norton was just one target ahead of Charlotte – having only started shooting in March of this year. The Super Final results revealed Bethany Norton winner of the girl's category, and Ron Chipman winner of the boy's. Each received their very own MG car.

This is particularly impressive for Bethany, at 13-years-old, having only picked up a gun for the first time in March 2019 – TSC believe this to be one of the best achievements they've seen in 15 years of the competition.



CPSA AGM AND PROXY VOTING

The CPSA Annual General Meeting (AGM) is at 14:00 on Saturday, 21 March at the Chesford Grange Hotel, Kenilworth. All members are eligible and encouraged to attend.

With the success of electronic voting forms last year, we are continuing the use of these forms for the CPSA AGM this year, on 21 March. We have appointed Civica (previously The Electoral Reform Services Ltd) to manage this voting process on our behalf. As a result there is no requirement to include a hard copy voting form with the March issue of *Pull!*.

On 17 February you will receive an email from support@cesvotes.com containing instructions on how to cast your proxy vote online. If the CPSA does not hold an email address for you on file, a letter will be sent to your address containing instructions on how to cast your proxy vote. The letter should arrive by 2 March.

If you need to request a new email or letter please contact ERS by emailing support@cesvotes.com or calling 02088 899203, Civica offices are open 09:00 to 17:00, Monday to Friday.

RENEWING YOUR SAFETY OFFICER QUALIFICATION

Please note the process of notifying members who took their Safety Officer qualifications before 31 December 2014 of the need to renew their qualification has now started.

We are working forward from the oldest date, so in due course you will receive an email or letter (if we don't have an email address) notifying you if you need to renew. You will have three months from receipt of the email or letter to book on and take the online exam. You will have the opportunity to download the latest version of the Safety Officer manual during the process and whilst the exam has a time limit of 45 minutes, it is open book so you may refer to your manual if needed.

The fee to requalify for a further five year period is £10, and upon successful completion of the exam you will receive an updated Safety Officer certificate by email.

When you receive the notification email the process is as follows:

- 1) Click on the payment link in the email to go to the Safety Officer webpage. Click on the payment link to login to the CPSA site and pay the course fee. If you do not have a CPSA website account already, you will need to create an account first and then it will take you to the payment page.
- 2) If you are notified by letter, as we don't have an email address for you, you will need to login to the Safety Officer webpage via cpsa.co.uk/sor and follow the process as in point 1 above.
- 3) Once you have paid, please check your email inbox for your booking confirmation.
- 4) Click on the exam link within the booking confirmation to start the exam. You will have two attempts to achieve the required pass mark of 24ex30 (80%) and your results will be automatically submitted to CPSA HQ.
- 5) When you have passed the exam you will be emailed your certificate.

2020 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Bookings are still open for the ICTSF World DTL Championships hosted by Bywell Shooting Ground.

The ICTSF World DTL Championships will take place during a week of DTL shooting that also includes the annual Sponsored DTL, the Dougall Memorial, and the English Open DTL, all running from 5-11 July. Bookings for these, and all other CPSA Major Championships can be done at championships.cpsa.co.uk.

The CPSA World English Sporting and Sportrap Championships (8-14 June) have now sold out. To be added to the waiting list please email clare@cpsa.co.uk stating your name, member number, days you wish to shoot, and telephone number.

There are still spaces for the English Sporting Prelim and the FITASC Open that run concurrently to the CPSA World English Sporting and Sportrap Championships.

PREMIER LEAGUE UPDATE

The Premier League fixture at Orston Shooting Ground was postponed on 9 February due to Storm Ciara and will now take place on Sunday 1 March. Therefore, there is still time to book onto a team before the 1st leg in this division. Go to cpsa.co.uk/events/premier-league for more info and to sign up

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CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP CARDS

Please note that the CPSA Board of Directors has decided to reduce costs and plastic waste by discontinuing the yearly re-issue of membership cards. The card that you will receive on renewal this year will be the last one that you will receive and it will have no expiry date. So long as your membership is valid, so then is the card.

All grounds hosting CPSA Registered shoots have the ability to check the status of your membership by using the Shoot program, provided by us. From

2021 onward, renewing members will not receive membership cards.

The virtual membership card available in the cpsa.co.uk members area will still have an expiry date. Should you need to prove that you are currently covered by CPSA member insurance, please log on to cpsa.co.uk using your membership credentials.

There you can download a Certificate of Membership stating your name, CPSA number, and expiry date, and confirming the CPSA membership insurance details.

2020 FAIRS & SHOWS

THE GREAT SHIRES GAME FAIR 2020

The event returns to the Three Counties Showground on 18-19 April 2020.

Bristol Clay Shooting, based in South Gloucestershire, will provide a trophy competition shoot on both days with the categories: Open, Ladies, and Juniors.

The Great Shires Game Fair will feature a fantastic countryside shopping village, along with a mix of have-a-go activities including archery, air rifles (coaching and have-a-go), Terrier and Lurcher shows and more.

To book your tickets and save money visit greatshiresgamefair.co.uk or call the ticket office **01392 421500**.

WEST OF ENGLAND GAME FAIR 2020

Celebrating its 25th anniversary, the West of England Game fair will be held on 21-22 March 2020 at The Royal Bath & West Showground, Somerset.

Bristol Clay Shooting will provide clay shooting competitions on both days with categories: Open, Ladies and Juniors, either trophy or cash competition plus a 'have-a-go' stand.

A great selection of guns and associated equipment will be available to purchase at the show.

To book your tickets and save money visit westofenglandgamefair.co.uk or call the ticket office **01392 421500**.

NORTHERN SHOOTING SHOW

The CPSA will be returning to the Northern Shooting Show, 8-9 May at the Yorkshire Event Centre, Harrogate. We will be running our Have-a-Go Clayline stand under CPSA Senior Coach Simon Arbuckle and his team of CPSA coaches.

We are also pleased to announce that we have partnered with the Northern Shooting Show, BASC, AimCam, and Weihrauch to offer the NSS Passport to Shooting. For only £5, under 16s visiting the show can experience shooting on the CPSA Have-a-Go Clayline, airgun shooting, simulator shooting, and a game-prep demo. If you are a CPSA Coach or Instructor and would like to help run the clayline, please contact the CPSA at **01483 485400**.

NEW MANAGER FOR THIMBLEBY SHOOTING GROUND



Philip Thompson has been appointed as the new Manager and Senior Instructor of Thimbleby Shooting Ground. Philip will be responsible for the management and day-to-day running of the popular North Yorkshire ground.

He will also lead the ground into its next development phase, set to include the building of a new clubhouse and the launch of Thimbleby's simulated game shooting enterprise – taking advantage of the Estate's outstanding topography and established game drives. The Shooting Ground will be open throughout construction, with updated hours on social media. For more information visit thimblebyshoot.com.

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The first ICSI Loaders Course of 2020 will be held on Wednesday 17 June at Doveridge Shooting Ground. Entry is open to those who have completed a CPSA or BASC safety course as a minimum entry qualification.

As part of its programme for continued professional development, ICSI designed a one-day course on the role of the loader during driven game shooting.

The course has now run successfully for several years and contains classroom modules on the many facets of the loader's roles and responsibilities, covering both single and double gun loading.

The techniques and practices of all aspects of loading are reviewed – including etiquette in the game shooting arena. Practical loading is undertaken, commencing with dry-firing practice and progressing to live-firing, with single gun 'stuffing' and double gunning, using clays for simulated high-pheasant shooting, together with grouse and lowland partridge targets. The challenges of instructing whilst acting as a loader are addressed. A comprehensive manual accompanies the course.

Clays are included in the fees; a certificate of attendance and an 'ICSI Loader' lapel badge are awarded. Refreshments and a buffet lunch are also provided. The cost is £150 for ICSI members and £200 for non-members. Please contact ICSI Membership Secretary, John Cullinan for further details icsimembership@gmail.com.

ENGLAND TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to our newly appointed and re-appointed England Team Managers, who have put forward their time and dedication to help England's shooting continue to be world class. Welcome to Richard Weller, the new FITASC Sporting England Team Manager. Richard has shot for the British Police Shooting Team, as well as for the Greater London County Team, and is a CPSA Level 3 Senior Coach and a CPSA Tutor. Dorothy Bird is returning as the Olympic Skeet Team

Manager, as is Gary McCann for Olympic Trap, and Richard Hunter for English Sporting. We hope all of the potential 2020 England Team members will look forward to working with their managers and will join us in welcoming Richard Weller onboard. Please also note that Olympic Trap Selection Shoots can now be booked through BICTSF, please find the links at cpsa.co.uk/england-team/olympic-trap.

FITASC Sporting Selection Shoots can be booked directly through the CPSA, at championships.cpsa.co.uk

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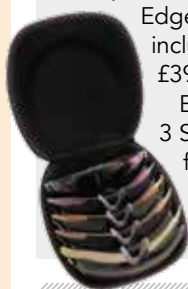
Twelve months in development, Evolution Edge is the latest addition to the UK's shooting eyewear.

The technically advanced eyewear suits all clay target disciplines and will also appeal to game shooters. The

Edge model is available in six individual shooting colours including grey, purple, orange, light yellow, rose, and yellow – priced at £39.95 each. An interchangeable five-lens set is also available at £129.95.

Evolution Edge will be officially launched on the Evolution stand (Hall 3 Stand 116) at the IWA Outdoor Classics Exhibition in Nuremberg, from 6-9 March 2020.

For a copy of the new 2020 Evolution shooting eyewear brochure, please call **01256 533955** or visit: evolutionsunglasses.com.



EDGAR BROTHERS WITH CHAMPION RANGE AND TARGET

Cheshire-based distributor Edgar Brothers have partnered with US shooting accessories brand Champion Range and Target, to bring British shooters a range of manual clay traps, shooting targets, ear defenders, and monkey bags.

Part of Vista Outdoor, Kansas-based Champion makes some of the industry's most exciting and challenging shooting systems and gear.

Brand marketing manager Eliza Graves commented "We are proud to partner with an industry leader like Edgar Brothers. They are a

great fit due to their experience in the shooting industry and we feel confident that they can help grow the Champion brand across the UK market."

Edgar Brothers' director Tom Heapy added "they understand how we work and we both felt it would be a great tie-in to an already strong association.

Champion's range of products is vast and exciting with everything

from interactive targets to shooting bags and clay throwers – they have a lot to offer the UK market and we are delighted to be part of it."



PULL! CORRECTION

The Jan/Feb 2020 issue of Pull! incorrectly stated that bookings for the English Open and British Open English Skeet, and English Open ABT will be direct with the hosting grounds. Bookings for these events will actually be with the CPSA along with all other Major Championships at championships.cpsa.co.uk. Bookings for Minor Championships will continue to be with the grounds.

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SHOTS IN THE MAIL

SIMON SAYS

Senior Coach Simon Arbuckle answers your questions. Send yours to simon@cpsa.co.uk.



SIMON SAYS:

Dear Lee,

Many thanks for your kind comments on the videos. In all the videos to date I have used 1/4 and 1/2 chokes in the Pro Sport along with a wide variety of cartridges, most being 24g 7.5's. I believe in comfort over speed but this is my preference... During the videos I have changed the barrel selector over depending on the presentation of the targets in the pairs but I have found this combination has worked very well. The simultaneous pair crossing from the right in the third series were 60m away!

I believe in training with what you compete with, so you get to know your gun/choke/cartridge combination. The Superb comes in plastic and fibre and the Pro Sport comes with selection of

chokes so experiment until you find a combination you are confident with. I don't change chokes if I'm changing between plastic or fibre and I rarely go over 1/2 choke for sporting, I find that too tight a choke can be more of a hindrance than a help.

What is really going to improve your shooting is working on technique. You can have the best choke/cartridge combination but without sound technique you will never achieve your full potential. You must understand what you are doing to give yourself the maximum chance of hitting the targets and also to put it right if you miss.

It does no harm to have a few lessons on your problem targets, you will probably find it is less to do with the gun and more to do with technique.

Good luck with your shooting!

Q I watch all your excellent videos. I too shoot the Browning Pro Sport, and would be grateful if you could answer a question: I am wanting to get started in competition shooting to gain a CPSA rank. I started shooting 1/4 choke bottom, 1/2 choke top barrel with great results. I then went to 1/2 and 1/2 and have been dusting the clays – all but the furthest out, where I feel I'm lacking something. I've read that Browning DS chokes are more open, could this be why I'm lacking on those further out clays? I'm considering using 3/4 and full chokes. I am using Eley Superb in 28g 7.5 plastic, but some grounds only allow fibre. Any advice on your cartridge and general choke choice would be gratefully received. – Lee

LETTER OF THE MONTH



Dear Sir/Madam,
I have been a member for three years and have been actively competing in English Sporting events. However, as none of my local clubs hold registered shoots, I have been unable to gain a classification. My nearest registered shoot can be over an hour away, and it is not always possible to dedicate time to such shoots. Can you advise what the requirements are for a club to hold a registered shoot? Are there any challenging requirements that would prohibit a club from holding a registered competition, instead of their own competition?

– A Rainer

CPSA replies:

Thanks for your email. There is a process to go through to become a CPSA

Registered Ground and we are happy to help any ground wishing to hold

registered shoots. We have a Safety Audit process which any club wanting to be affiliated to the CPSA must do first. This requires them to provide documentation such as proof of Public Liability insurance, emergency response procedures, and risk assessments. They also must have a CPSA qualified Safety Officer at each registered shoot. We offer a free place on this course for any new Clubs joining CPSA.

Once we have reviewed the paperwork we then inspect the site to ensure it complies with our safety guidelines. There is a cost for the inspection of £145 plus the annual membership fee of £168 for Registered status and the licence and software to run the Registered competitions.

There is nothing really challenging as long as the Club has their paperwork in hand. To hold registered shoots they need referees/trappers on each stand as you can't self-score, so this needs to be factored in to their planning.

– The CPSA Team

Is there an issue that you would like to raise or praise? Send your letter including your phone number and CPSA number to: *Pull!* Magazine, Fellows Media, The Gallery, Manor Farm, Southam Lane, Cheltenham GL52 3PB or email: pull@fellowsmedia.com

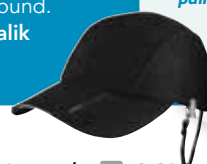


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Please keep an eye out online and in future issues of *Pull!* for more information and additional dates becoming available. If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact Cheryl or Richard at CPSA HQ on 01483 485400 who would be happy to help!



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Available in each of the four domestic disciplines of English Sporting, English Skeet, Down the Line and Automatic Ball Trap, these one-day courses will equip you with the general and discipline specific rules to enable you to referee regularly at registered competitions or national championships and, with it, the assurance that what you are calling is correct. This is also an excellent course for the competitor, who doesn't necessarily want to referee, but does want to ensure that they know the rules when they compete.

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| ● 29 Feb DTL – East Yorkshire CSG | ● 18 Apr ESK – East Yorkshire CSC | ● 6 Jun ABT – East Yorkshire CSG |
| ● 7 Mar ESP – Atkin Grant & Lang | ● 20 Apr ESP – Eriswell Lodge | ● 20 Jul ESK – Eriswell Lodge |
| ● 14 Mar ESK – Dartford CSC | ● 20 Apr ESK – Lea Marston SC | ● 10 Aug ESP – West Midlands SG |
| ● 4 Apr DTL – Bisley GC | ● 27 Apr ESK – Eriswell Lodge | |
| ● 14 Apr DTL – Northampton SG | ● 25 May ABT – Nottingham & District GC | |

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For anyone wishing to take part in clay shooting, or novices who have recently acquired a shotgun, this course covers personal and range safety, shotgun types and use, cartridges and chokes. There is a practical session on the CPSA method of shooting. The course includes loan guns, ear protection, eye protection, lunch and up to 50 clays and cartridges. The course is open to members and non-members.

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| ● 8 Mar Nr Basingstoke, Hants | ● 30 May Nottingham & District Gun Club |
| ● 14 Mar Nottingham & District Gun Club | ● 8 Jun West London Shooting School |
| ● 16 Mar NCSC | ● 14 Jun Nr Basingstoke, Hants |
| ● 13 Apr West London Shooting School | ● 18 Jul Garlands SG |
| ● 18 Apr Garlands SG | ● 1 Aug Nottingham & District Gun Club |
| ● 11 May NCSC | ● 19 Sep Nottingham & District Gun Club |

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| ● 22 Mar Nr Basingstoke, Hants – ESP |
| ● 18 Apr Nottingham & District Gun Club – Trap |
| ● 11 May NCSC – ESK |
| ● 6 Jun Nottingham & District Gun Club – ESK |
| ● 28 Jun Nr Basingstoke, Hants – ESP |

Safety Officer Course

£105

This one-day course which provides the basis for running a safe and successful shooting ground. It looks at safe gun handling, layout management, risk assessments and so on. It's an obvious choice for ground-owners and a prerequisite to Club Affiliation. It also appeals to the shooter and is the first step to higher qualifications.

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| ● 7 Mar High View CS | ● 18 Jul NCSC |
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| ● 9 Jun Cambridge GC | ● 28 Nov NCSC |

Instructor Development Workshop (IDW)

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The Instructor Development Workshop is a one-day course and a prerequisite to attending the four-day Level 1 Instructor Training Course. Candidates will be given an overview of the full four-day course and be assessed for their suitability to progress onto the ITC. Candidates must have attended a Safety Officer Course.

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| ● 2 Mar Northampton SG | ● 25 May NCSC |
| ● 9 Mar NCSC | ● 15 Jun Lea Marston SC |
| ● 23 Mar Lea Marston SC | ● 4 Jul South Pennine Shooting School |
| ● 23 Mar NCSC | ● 13 Jul Northampton SG |
| ● 2 May South Pennine Shooting School | ● 11 Sept Cambridge GC |
| ● 11 May Northampton SG | ● 19 Oct NCSC |

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| ● 18-21 May Northampton SG | ● 3-7 Aug Lea Marston SC |
| ● 1-4 Jun NCSC | ● 22-25 Sept Park Lodge Shooting School |
| ● 29 Jun-2 Jul NCSC | |

L2 Common Element (CE) & Coach Training Course (CTC)

These are two three-day courses – the Common Element (£495) and the discipline specific Coach Training Course (£550). The Common Element now includes the three coach development workshops and allows seamless progression to the desired CTC in Trap, ESK or ESP. There are also three stand-alone CDW's * (£175 per CDW) available for those who have previously qualified as a L2 Coach, and wish to continue their coaching qualifications in a second or third discipline. They are designed to give you the technical skills to improve an established shooter.

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| ● 12-14 May Common Element inc CDW's | ● 24-26 Aug L2 ESP CTC |
| ● 26 May L2 ESP CDW* | ● 14-16 Sept L2 ESK/TRAP CTC |
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CPSA AWARDS

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Above: Tony Axcell and Tristan Hockey in their matching custom jackets.

J.G. Repshire reports back from the prestigious event. The future of the sport is looking strong, if this year's CPSA Annual Awards are any indication.

At only 19-years-old, Amy Easeman took the Clay Shooter of the Year Award, whilst Colt Ami Hedgecock was named the Emerging Shooter of the Year, and Alfie Tibbles represented all Colts and Juniors with his gracious win of the Young Shot of the Year Award. Assuring the future of the sport in another way, John Bidwell and Andy Coppens took the Course Setter Recognition Award, largely based on their British Open Sporting and Sportrap courses and evidence that High Lodge will be in good hands as John steps back to let his son-in-law Andy take over target setting at the family business.

As guests arrived for the evening, they were welcomed with a quirky Alice in Wonderland themed drinks reception.

Even at the awards evening, top shots were able to keep their eyes in with the DryFire shooting simulator set up on site. It offered every discipline imaginable, be it sporting, skeet, or trap, with the

CPSA, International, and even American versions available at the touch of a button. Guests were then treated to a three-course meal with the wine provided by the generous sponsorship of the CPSA's insurer, Romero Sports and Leisure.

The formal portion of the evening was opened by CEO Iain

Parker and Chairman

John Martin, followed by some particularly witty remarks by the Mayor of North Warwickshire, Councillor Brian Moss. The entertainment for the night was provided by stand-up comedian Hal Cruttenden, known for his many television appearances on comedy

panel shows.

With the entertainment over, the award giving commenced. First up was the Disabled Shooter of the Year Award, which Paul Bailey won over two-time winner Sam Nunn, and upcoming shooter Rueben Welch. Lee Wilcoxson took the Coach of the Year honours, a testament to the professionalism of a man who only qualified as a CPSA Coach four years ago. Club/Ground of the Year went to Sporting Targets, who were up against tough competition, considering that fellow nominee High Lodge Leisure's John and Andy took the Course Setter Recognition Award.

The most colourful part of the night was when CPSA Referee Tony Axcell won the new Sports Personality of the Year award. Tony took the stage wearing a jacket that did justice to the brightly-hued shirts he is famous for wearing whilst officiating across the sporting clays circuit. The audience's approval of his win

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CLAY SHOOTER OF THE YEAR AWARD

NOMINEES

Matt Coward-Holly
Amy Easeman
Georgia Moule

WINNER: AMY EASEMAN

Amy has been shooting from a young age, and with the support of her father, Phil Easeman (Sports Personality of the Year nominee), she started shooting internationally at age 12. She has accumulated 15 consecutive caps shooting Compak for Great Britain. In 2019 she became the World Compak Sporting Lady Champion.

After winning the award Amy said: "This award means absolutely everything to me. It just officially tops off the whole year. The World Championship means a hell of a lot, but winning the award as well just means my work has officially paid off and been acknowledged by everyone else as well."

See the International section on p. 21 for more on her successes in 2019.



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“The formal portion of the evening was opened by CEO Iain Parker and Chairman John Martin...”

Above: CPSA CEO Iain Parker opens the Awards.
Right: Tony Axcell (left) with Ian Root from Bisley Sports Wholesale representing Castellani Alu UK. **Left:** Amy Easeman (left) with Jason Gibson of Vario Hearables.

was apparent in their reaction, and Tony's acceptance speech certainly showed how moved he was by the honour.

Amy Easeman's win of Clay Shooter of the Year was made even more impressive by the competition she was up against: nominee Matt Coward-Holly's year includes winning an Olympic quota place for Team GB for Tokyo 2020, and nominee Georgia Moule won Ladies World Champion at the ICTSF World English Sporting Championship last year.

Following the awards ceremony, there was still plenty of entertainment on offer. DryFire continued to test people's abilities, and guests were treated to a chocolate fountain, doughnuts, and a spectacular cheeseboard.

Through a silent auction and a raffle, the CPSA managed to raise £2,115 for Macmillan Cancer Support and the Motor Neuron Disease Association.

Owain Rees of Macmillan Cancer Support stated, "We are delighted to have the continued support of the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association and its members, who continue to be so generous in their support of Macmillan. Since they first supported our work in 2014, the CPSA and its members have donated in excess of £10,000 to help people living with cancer in the UK."

Well done to the CPSA's members for their generosity, and well done to all of the CPSA Annual Awards 2020 nominees and winners.

SPORTS PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR

NOMINEES

Tony Axcell
 Mandy Berrisford
 Phil Easeman

WINNER: TONY AXCELL

Tony is a well-known figure on the sporting clays referee circuit, any CPSA English or British Open English Sporting would not be complete without a visit to a stand graced by Tony's bright Hawaiian shirts. Even more appreciated than his cheerful shirts is his polite, friendly, and professional behaviour while officiating, demonstrating the exemplary standard of CPSA Referees. "It was a major shock to be nominated, let alone winning it, and I'd like to accept this on behalf of all the referees all over the country," said Tony, "We're all joined together, and we're like a big family. It is a great honour because I've been recognised by my fellow shooters, and nominated by my fellow shooters, and that is what makes it so special."



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YOUNG SHOT OF THE YEAR

NOMINEES

Cory Doble
Tristan Hockey
Maddie Purser
Leah Southall
Alfie Tibbles

WINNER: ALFIE TIBBLES

Alfie has only been shooting for five years but is already one of the most recognisable young shots in the sport. With several Colts championships under his belt in various sporting disciplines, he most recently took the Atkin Grant & Lang Young Shots Winter Open Colt Championship. He has just made the transition from Colt to Junior and is already winning Registered shoots in the Junior category. Alfie plans to do more international shooting, but in the meantime, he is also concentrating on finishing his GCSEs before he can dedicate more time to the sport.

"I feel totally overjoyed by winning this award" Alfie said, "It's been something I've been looking up to achieving for years and really does mean a lot to me."

EMERGING SHOOTER OF THE YEAR

NOMINEES

William Gilbert
Ami Hedgecock
Elizabeth 'Lizzie' Williams

WINNER: AMI HEDGECKOCK

It's rare to go to a major English Sporting championship where Amy Hedgecock doesn't win a trophy. In 2017, she even won a car at the Oxford Schools Challenge. She started 2019 by taking Colts in the English Open Compak in March. Later in 2019 she won the Ladies High Gun for the Premier League series, beating dozens of Senior and Junior Ladies, and taking the Colts title and Lady Colts along with it. Ami is also known for her good sportsmanship and positive attitude while competing, no doubt a contributing factor that earned her the votes for this award. She currently shoots for Cambridgeshire and is hoping to make the Great Britain Compak team in the future.

Speaking afterwards, she was quick to thank the people who have helped her along the way: "Probably the biggest influence for my shooting was my brother originally, as he was the person who got me into the sport, but the main help has also been through my family and my sponsors, which has been incredible and I don't think I'd be able to get to where I am without them today."



Above Left: Alfie Tibbles (left) with Gaylia Fallon of Laporte CPC. **Above Right:** Ami Hedgecock (right) with Imogen Waktare of GMK/Beretta.
Below: Lee Wilcoxson, Amy Easeman, Rebecca and Andrew Clifton, Paul Bailey (front), Alfie Tibbles, Ami Hedgecock, John Bidwell, Andy Coppen, Tony Axcell.



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COACH OF THE YEAR

NOMINEES

Fulton McIntosh
William Stonebridge
Lee Wilcoxson

WINNER: Lee Wilcoxson

Lee qualified as a CPSA Instructor in 2014 and started on the pathway to becoming a CPSA Coach, which he achieved in 2016. He's now a qualified Senior Coach, meaning he can coach all domestic disciplines. In 2018 he gained his first England cap for DTL, and continued to shoot for England in 2019.

Speaking afterwards about his decision to change careers to become a coach, Lee said "Quite frankly, it's been the best step I've ever made in my life! It's the most enjoyable thing I've ever done, every day doesn't feel like a workday, and just to see people progress and to help people get on with things – absolutely fantastic, can't get a better job to be honest with you."

CLUB/GROUND OF THE YEAR

NOMINEES

Atkin Grant & Lang
E.J. Churchill Shooting Ground
High Lodge Leisure Ltd.
Southdown Gun Club
Sporting Targets

WINNERS: SPORTING TARGETS

Sporting Targets was founded in 1990 by Andrew Clifton and his parents Ian and June. As Managing Director, Andrew has continued to expand and improve the ground. At over 40 acres, Sporting Targets is one of the largest grounds in the UK, but it is the quality of their regular 100 Registered English Sporting and FITASC Sporting shoots that has made them a favourite with members. Sporting Targets competes in the CPSA Premier League, Jack Pyke Open and the High Tower Challenge.

"This Award means a massive amount to us as a business," said Andrew, "All the team put in a lot of effort throughout the year and over the last 30 years to build our business and build our client base and produce and give a good service to our customers. The team will react to this win, they'll be chuffed, they'll be over the moon."



Above: Lee Wilcoxson (left) with David Stapley of Browning. **Below:** Jason Gibson from Vario on the Clay Shooter of the Year table.



Left: Andrew Clifton of Sporting Targets (left) with Gaylia Fallon of Laporte CPC. **Below:** CPSA Chairman John Martin opens the night with his remarks.





The entertainment for the night was provided by stand-up comedian Hal Cruttenden



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Above: Hal Cruttenden entertains the crowd. **Below left:** Left to right: Andy Coppen, John Bidwell, and Mark Brown of Fellows Media. **Bottom Right:** Paul Bailey (left) with Carl Harlow of Solware Ltd.



RECOGNITION AWARD: COURSE SETTER

NOMINEES

John Bidwell and Andy Coppen
Richard Faulds
Steve Lovatt

WINNERS: JOHN BIDWELL AND ANDY COPPEN

The father-in-law and son-in-law team of High Lodge Liesure Ltd certainly have different personalities: John is well known to be talkative and energetic, whilst Andy is a bit more reserved. Yet, their dedication to the sport transcends personality types. John has over 50 years of experience setting targets, whilst Andy brings his 15 plus years of enjoyment of the sport along with new ideas to the ground. They set an incredible set of courses for the British Open English Sporting and Sportrap, with the Sporting course described by many as 'something for everyone'. Speaking afterwards, John highlighted the benefits of working within a family business: "Working together in the family has been great, Andrew has been with the company for four years and he's learned the game very quickly... To have a son-in-law like Andrew is like having a real son, its great working with Andy. Andy then gave an insight into their recipe for successful course setting: "You'd never please everybody but we do our best to set an exciting course where everybody can enjoy themselves. You have to cater for everybody new into the sport and to the people who are at the top of the game. So, its always a challenge."

DISABLED SHOOTER OF THE YEAR

NOMINEES

Paul Bailey
Sam Nunn
Rueben Welch

WINNER: PAUL BAILEY

2019 was a fantastic year for Paul Bailey, winning the Disabled category at the English Open English Sporting, English Open English Skeet, British Open English Sporting and Sportrap, and winning his class at the Blaser World All-Round Championships. Even Helice was no match for him, as he also won the West Midlands Helice Championship. Paul is also working with others to develop a style of clay-shooting instruction tailored to the needs of disabled shooters.

Speaking afterwards, Paul said "To win the award this year feels really good, its just a recognition of a lot of hard work put in over the years" He then offered this advice to new disabled shooters: "Get in touch with the Disabled Shooters Group. We have meetings all over the country at different places, and it doesn't matter what disability you've got, we've got people that will have shot with most disabilities, so somebody will be able to help you."





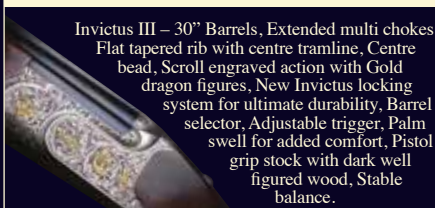
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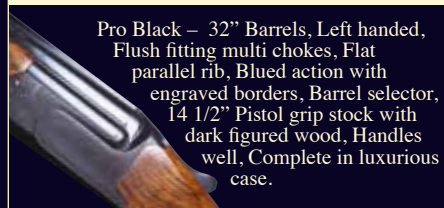
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New Guerini £3,625



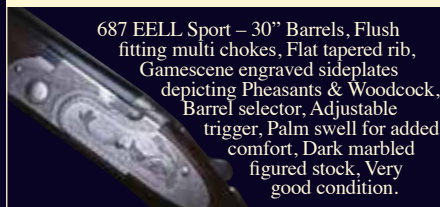
Invictus III – 30" Barrels, Extended multi chokes, Flat tapered rib with centre tramline, Centre bead, Scroll engraved action with Gold dragon figures, New Invictus locking system for ultimate durability, Barrel selector, Adjustable trigger, Palm swell for added comfort, Pistol grip stock with dark well figured wood, Stable balance.

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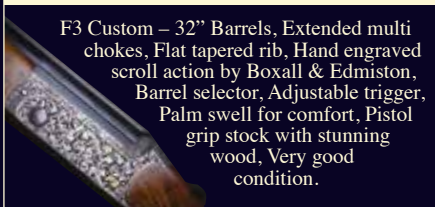
Pro Black – 32" Barrels, Left handed, Flush fitting multi chokes, Flat parallel rib, Blued action with engraved borders, Barrel selector, 14 1/2" Pistol grip stock with dark figured wood, Handles well, Complete in luxurious case.

Used Beretta £3,750



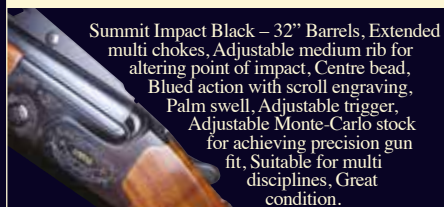
687 EELL Sport – 30" Barrels, Flush fitting multi chokes, Flat tapered rib, Gamescene engraved sideplates depicting Pheasants & Woodcock, Barrel selector, Adjustable trigger, Palm swell for added comfort, Dark marbled figured stock, Very good condition.

Used Blaser £6,495



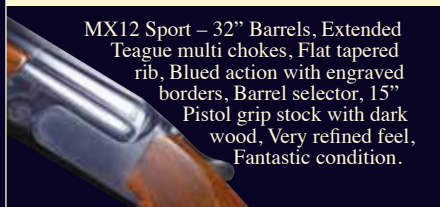
F3 Custom – 32" Barrels, Extended multi chokes, Flat tapered rib, Hand engraved scroll action by Boxall & Edmiston, Barrel selector, Adjustable trigger, Palm swell for comfort, Pistol grip stock with stunning wood, Very good condition.

Used Guerini £2,450



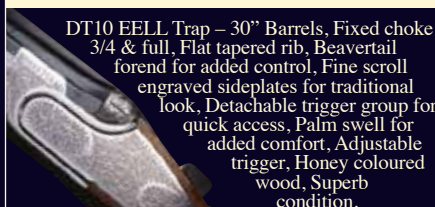
Summit Impact Black – 32" Barrels, Extended multi chokes, Adjustable medium rib for altering point of impact, Centre bead, Blued action with scroll engraving, Palm swell, Adjustable trigger, Adjustable Monte-Carlo stock for achieving precision gun fit, Suitable for multi disciplines, Great condition.

Used Perazzi £4,995



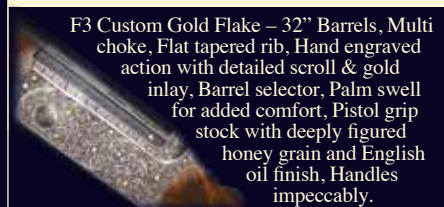
MX12 Sport – 32" Barrels, Extended Teague multi chokes, Flat tapered rib, Blued action with engraved borders, Barrel selector, 15" Pistol grip stock with dark wood, Very refined feel, Fantastic condition.

Used Beretta £5,650



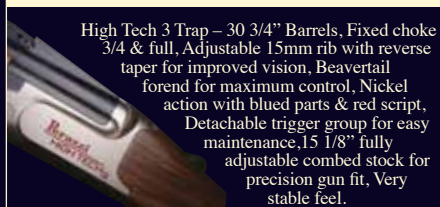
DT10 EELL Trap – 30" Barrels, Fixed choke 3/4 & full, Flat tapered rib, Beavertail forend for added control, Fine scroll engraved sideplates for traditional look, Detachable trigger group for quick access, Palm swell for added comfort, Adjustable trigger, Honey coloured wood, Superb condition.

New Blaser £14,950



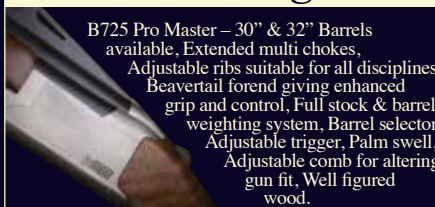
F3 Custom Gold Flake – 32" Barrels, Multi choke, Flat tapered rib, Hand engraved action with detailed scroll & gold inlay, Barrel selector, Palm swell for added comfort, Pistol grip stock with deeply figured honey grain and English oil finish, Handles impeccably.

New Perazzi £11,580



High Tech 3 Trap – 30 3/4" Barrels, Fixed choke 3/4 & full, Adjustable 15mm rib with reverse taper for improved vision, Beavertail forend for maximum control, Nickel action with blued parts & red script, Detachable trigger group for easy maintenance, 15 1/8" fully adjustable combed stock for precision gun fit, Very stable feel.

New Browning £3,625



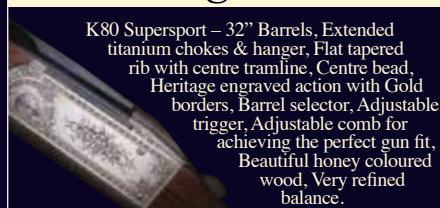
B725 Pro Master – 30" & 32" Barrels available, Extended multi chokes, Adjustable ribs suitable for all disciplines, Beavertail forend giving enhanced grip and control, Full stock & barrel weighting system, Barrel selector, Adjustable trigger, Palm swell, Adjustable comb for altering gun fit, Well figured wood.

Used Browning £13,650



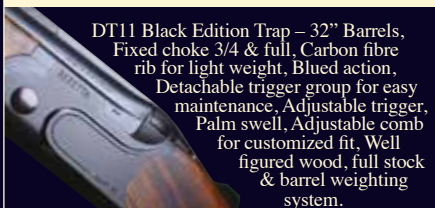
B25 D5G – 32" Barrels, Fixed choke 1/2 & 3/4, Flat parallel rib with centre tramline, Barrel selector, Teardrops for added luxury, 15 1/8" Pistol grip stock with dark well figured wood, Immaculate condition.

New Krieghoff £20,885



K80 Supersport – 32" Barrels, Extended titanium chokes & hanger, Flat tapered rib with centre tramline, Centre bead, Heritage engraved action with Gold borders, Barrel selector, Adjustable trigger, Adjustable comb for achieving the perfect gun fit, Beautiful honey coloured wood, Very refined balance.

New Beretta £8,575



DT11 Black Edition Trap – 32" Barrels, Fixed choke 3/4 & full, Carbon fibre rib for light weight, Blued action, Detachable trigger group for easy maintenance, Adjustable trigger, Palm swell, Adjustable comb for customized fit, Well figured wood, full stock & barrel weighting system.

New Beretta £7,765



DT11 Gold Trap – 30" Barrels, Fixed choke 3/4 & full, Flat parallel rib, Limited edition with gold styled engraving with only 250 made, Wide action for ultra smooth shooting & recoil absorption, Palm swell, Adjustable trigger, B-fast stock weighting system, Very stable feel.

INTERNATIONAL

Sarah Daly reports on the FITASC World Rankings.

FITASC WORLD RANKINGS

Many congratulations to all the GBR Shooters in the top ten Gamebore FITASC World Rankings, especially to Amy Easeman, still a Junior, but tops the rankings in Compak, as does the inimitable George Digweed in the Sporting rankings.

FITASC SPORTING

	NAME	RANK
OPEN	George Digweed	1
	Mark Winser	5
LADIES	Cheryl Hall	4
	Pet Easton	7
	Lucy Pitt	9
JUNIOR	James Bradley-Day	5
SENIOR	Nigel Hart	5
	Martin Papworth	7
	Stephen Williams	8
	Anthony Dean	9
VETERAN	John Pool	1
	Andy Shore	3
	John Price	5
	Steve Brightwell	7
	John A Harrison	8
MASTER	Roger Ward	2

COMPAK

	NAME	RANK
LADIES	Amy Easeman	1
	Cheryl Hall	3
JUNIOR	James Bradley-Day	4
SENIOR	Tony Manvell	2
	David Kempley	3
	Anthony Dean	6
	David Balham	7
VETERAN	Jeffrey Dix	1
	Christopher Dennis	2
	JRG Smith	3
	Andrew Jones	6
	John Bidwell	8
MASTER	Alan Pearse	5

Rankings as per the FITASC website 1 January 2020.

Right: Amy Easeman, Compak Ladies World Champion 2019. Read more about Amy's win of CPSA Clay Shooter of the Year on p.14.

UNIVERSAL TRENCH

	NAME	RANK
OPEN	Rod Gould	2
	Kevin Borley	7
LADIES	Emma Haines	10
JUNIOR	Theo Ling	4
VETERAN	Kevin Borley	3
	Phil Rowley	10

HELICE

	NAME	RANK
LADIES	Dionne Rogers	3
	Jane Bell	5
	Michelle Conway	8
JUNIOR	Jensen King	4
	Fletcher King	9
SENIOR	Clifford Goodwin	6
	Andrew Stratford	9
	Carl Miles	10
VETERAN	Howard Batt	1
MASTER	Chris Potter	6
	John Nightingale	7

TOKYO OLYMPIC GAMES – QUOTA PLACES

Keep a lookout for the results of the European Championships (8-19 May 2020) where GBR has the opportunity to win one Trap Women, two Skeet Men, and two Skeet Women quota places.

If after the Europeans, there are still events where GBR has no quota place, then there is one last opportunity: the world rankings. To be allocated, according to the Qualification System published on the ISSF website: 'After the qualification period ends and all member federations/NOCs receive the official list of quota places, the ISSF will check each individual Olympic Event World Ranking List (dated 31 May 2020) in the order of the events... The highest ranked athlete not yet qualified in any event and provided that the athlete's NOC does not have a quota place in that specific event, then the athlete will obtain one (1) quota place. These quota places are allocated to the athletes by name.'



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WORLD RANKINGS (GFWR)

A PATHWAY FROM PITCH TO CLAYS

CPSA Coach **Paul Dancer** teams up with Aston Villa Women Football Club to demonstrate how clay shooting is a great training companion, and can provide a future sporting career. **Simon Fellows** reports.

Speed, accuracy, superb hand-eye coordination, coolness under pressure. All characteristics of a great clay shooter, right? After a chance meeting with players on England's Women's Senior Team, CPSA Coach Paul Dancer had an epiphany. Top football players have these qualities in spades too, wouldn't it be fascinating to introduce a football team to shooting?

The more Paul thought about his idea, the more it made sense. Firstly, there are transferable skills from from the pitch to a shooting ground and vice versa. Shooting might actually improve their game. Secondly, footballers retire relatively early, so shooting could provide players with a future career. Thirdly, shooting clays may be a competitive sport,

“wouldn't it be fascinating to introduce a football team to shooting?”

but it is also very sociable – wonderful for team building. Lastly, women's football has had to overcome prejudices built on decades of what was a male-dominated sport – just like women's shooting has. Introducing a women's football team would not only bring more ladies to the sport, it could also provide more female role-models.

“When I first met the Lionesses, it struck me not only how competitive they were, but also how they enjoyed tremendous hand-eye coordination skills and speedy reaction times,” said Paul. “It falls so much in line with what you need to be a competitive clay shooter.”

“When I started to think about how our sport could benefit football, and how its players could benefit clay shooting, it was obvious that the CPSA should get involved

with a pathway for these athletes.”

In 2017, Paul began to arrange shoot days with local clubs Birmingham City and Aston Villa Women Football Club. We caught up with Paul, on his first shoot of 2020 with Aston Villa Women Football Club. It was a sunny but cold January day at Lea Marston Shooting Club.

SHOOTING WITH VILLANS

Eighteen members of AWWFC arrived to shoot in good spirits at the ground, just east of Sutton Coldfield.

To make the day as competitive, sociable and fun as possible, Paul split the team into three squads, aptly named Forwards, Midfielders, and Defenders.

A CPSA coach was assigned to each squad – Becky Savins looked after the Defenders, Vince Kisielowski looked after the Midfielders, leaving Paul to coach the Forwards.

The remarkably young and talented Elizabeth (Lizzie) Williams, who narrowly

Below: Excitement builds as AWWFC gather to shoot at Lea Marston Shooting Club.



missed out in a place in the England team last year, was also on hand as shooting ambassador and demonstrator.

After much excitement, laughter and fist-bumping, the coaches were soon going through their safety briefings.

Amber Wildgust, AVWFC's manager, was delighted that Paul had given her the opportunity to bring her players out to Lea Marston.

"The aim of the day is team building, and to offer the players something a little bit different," she says. "Something that will take them out of their comfort zones and may even help them to find another hobby or passion outside of football. As a footballer, your career could end at any time due to injury – so it is important to have a second career lined up. Clay shooting could be a good fit for some of the ladies.

"It's good for hand-eye coordination and for accuracy. It's also a sport that anyone can take up regardless of gender. So, it's really a fun day out and an opportunity for us to get to know each other on a different level."

Meanwhile, the coaches took the players through basic gun handling and studying eye dominance. To keep the players on their toes, Paul had organised the day around a friendly competition. Initially, four stands would be shot, with five clays at each. The highest score from each team will go through to the final on the Skeet range.

"The stands vary in difficulty," confided Paul. "All are suitable for novices, but some are quite challenging. Stand one has the clay quartering away slightly to the left. It is a fairly straightforward target but the clay isn't really visible until it clears the distant tree-line.

"Stand two, an incomer, is virtually a teal. It comes up, and then drops without much forward motion and without much dwell time. Stand three has the target going directly away. It's a good novice target because the background is initially dark, so all you have to do is shoot it as it comes up. Stand four also quarters away from the shooter, but it's fast and has a nasty curve at the end."

In no time, the players were calling for their clays and letting off rounds with varying levels of success. Conditions were very bright, with the low winter sun making visibility tricky. There was much camaraderie and friendly banter among the three squads, as they continued competing for the final.

Everyone agreed that stand four was tough – it even caught Lizzie out. Paul

ACCESSIBILITY IS THE FUTURE

Lea Marston Shooting Club jumped at the opportunity to play host to Aston Villa Women Football Club. As owner Guy Breeden explains, his vision is to develop it into one of the most accessible clubs in the UK.

"Our aim to make sure that the sport is available for all, regardless of gender, ethnicity, or background. With the help of the National Lottery and Sport England we have turned this club into an all-weather wheelchair and disabled shooting ground. A real community where diversity is welcomed."

Under Guy's stewardship, the ground continues to undergo an ambitious programme of renovation and expansion. The clubhouse is being extended,

quadrupling the space and facilities are clean, comfortable and modern.

"For the health of the sport we must be professional at every level and touchpoint with the public. Frankly, a battered portacabin in a muddy field no longer cuts it. We need modern clubs to drive a modern expanding sport."

Sponsor, and Solware Ltd MD, Carl Harlow, who donated the cartridges for the day, is equally evangelical about accessibility. "It's very rewarding to be supporting women's shooting, and to introduce the sport to people who otherwise may not have had the opportunity to try it. With any luck, some of the team may take it up in the future – there's certainly lots of happy faces here today."



Right: Sophie Hayward takes High Gun in the Skeet final.

and his team of coaches spent much of their time reminding the players not to overthink the process.

Gemma Davies is AWWFC's head coach. "Our training environment has the potential to be quite monotonous at times, because we repeat many of the same things. So it is really valuable to take the team out to do something a little bit different. It spices up the programme. And, it's working – the players are really enjoying it.

"There are valuable similarities with hand-eye coordination and the natural movement patterns we employ on the pitch. Obviously, it is eye-foot coordination for most of the players, but the use of our eyes is common to all. Paul keeps reminding us to see the clay and shoot it. Not to overthink the process. In football it is exactly the same principle, we cannot fall into the trap of overthinking when passing or shooting. See it, do it."

Many of the players were quick to notice some transferable skills. "I'm sure shooting will help with my anticipation skills," said winger Emma Follis. "Intuitively anticipating lead, how far to shoot in front of the clay, is similar to judging where to place the ball when you are passing it into the paths of other players. Timing, accuracy – there are so many complementary skills.

"We're all so competitive that we want to win but it's also been a real laugh"

"Because football is faster paced and the game is constantly flowing, it feels more instinctive. With shooting there's more time to overthink, which is why the coaches keep urging us to not to!"

Centre Back Natalie Haigh agreed. "I've learnt that it needs high levels of concentration, but you also need to be relaxed. You need to get yourself in the mindset of just focussing on the target, but to do that successfully you need to be experienced enough to start shooting intuitively. For someone like me, who hasn't shot before and has a tendency to overthink, it was challenging to get into the relaxed state of mind needed. In many ways it is more mindful than football, which tends to be more instinctive."



THE FINAL

Natalie went on to score highest for the Defenders with 10/20, and was joined in the final by Sophie Haywood (Forwards) 13/20 and Jodie Hutton (Midfield) 10/20.

Jodie joked that her success is down to the fact that she's often told her brain is permanently switched off, so overthinking doesn't trouble her.

"It teaches patience too," she said, "which is important in football. You need to wait for the right opportunity to shoot. The atmosphere is brilliant, with everyone cheering each other on. We're all so competitive that we want to win but it's also been a real laugh at the same time."

On the Skeet range Paul set up increasingly difficult targets. Two singles were followed by a report pair before a simultaneous pair provided the final challenge. Natalie felt the pressure from the start, but Jodie and Sophie tied with three each. A shoot-off saw Sophie just edge ahead to take High Gun for the day.

"This is the first time I have shot clays, and I turned up not really knowing what to expect," said a beaming Sophie, who plays as a Forward. I've done alright today, but we've got good teachers, so I'll put it down to that and a bit of beginners luck.

"Football is similar to shooting in that in the past it's been very much a male-dominated sport. We're trying to overcome that at Aston Villa, and it's good to see more women being encouraged into shooting too. It's definitely something that I would consider taking up in the future. It's been great."

Summing up his experience Paul said, "It has been brilliant. We've achieved what we wanted to by getting the ladies to have an informative but fun day away from regular training. We're yet to discover whether some of them will take the sport forward, but I'm here to coach them if they do."



Above: Talking technique before tackling stand four.
Left: Natalie Haigh takes aim.



Lea Marston Shooting Club News

THE MIDLANDS' LEADING PRACTICE GROUND

By popular demand, our ground offers a range of practice targets enabling both members and non-members to gain access and train at the ground up to 7 days per week. Our mission statement is "to make shooting available to all".

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Our shooting club is a without profits organisation. All reserves are spent on improving our facilities in both welfare and shooting disciplines. Boasting membership of over 1800 businesses and individuals.

CPSA REGISTERED DISCIPLINES

All of our disciplines are CPSA registered, which include two Skeet layouts, DTL, ABT and a 12-stand sporting layout – now undercover!

CPSA TRAINING CENTRE

Lea Marston Shooting Club is used as a venue for CPSA instructors' courses and Safety Officers Courses. Please check on the CPSA website for dates.

NO BOOTS OR BROLLIES REQUIRED

All of our pathways are constructed either from concrete or compacted stone and our shooting stands are weather protecting to offer unrivalled ease of access and comfort for all disciplines.

DISABLED & WHEELCHAIR FRIENDLY

Our shooting ground has been designed to engage all who wish to participate in the sports we offer, with special attention being paid to the needs of wheelchair users and shooters with disabilities.

OPPORTUNITIES

We have an exciting opportunity for a new Enterprise on-site retail shop partner. Please call us on **01676 540070** for further details.

UNDERCOVER 12-STAND SPORTING LAYOUT

Our 12-stand sporting layout offers a variety of targets, crossers, incomers, outgoers, teals, rabbits, ABT and many more. The layouts are changed regularly to keep shooters sharp. All of our stands now have acoustically insulated and weather protected enclosures for the comfort of our shooters; and most importantly, keeping those guns dry.

SKEET LAYOUTS

Our Skeet Layouts have pattern imprinted concrete pathways to keep you foot-sure and focused on those targets with an unrivalled backdrop of clear Warwickshire countryside.

DTL & ABT

Both disciplines are combined within our Skeet layouts, with a voice activated Claymate system.

STATE OF THE ART ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS & TRAPS

We use Promatic traps throughout the ground, with Claymate shooter control card systems. All of our stands have a solo delay whereby single shooters have the benefit of a delayed launch. Other benefits of the system are that we have experienced a great reduction in the number of wasted clays, enabling us to keep our prices keen.

FRIENDLY & WELCOMING STAFF

You're assured of a very warm welcome at Lea Marston, whether as an individual shooter or a group. We cater for first time shooters, through to professionals with 1:1 lesson's available from our own instructors and CPSA registered instructors, assuring that all levels can be catered for. We're proud to have a strong ladies' presence within the club and encourage all ages and abilities to participate in this fantastic and growing sport.

CORPORATE EVENTS

We pride ourselves on being able to design and deliver bespoke corporate events from small parties to full company entertainment and accommodation.

ON-SITE ACCOMMODATION

Blackgreaves Farmhouse offers luxury accommodation for individual family or corporate stays. This grade II listed Georgian farmhouse boasts 8 King-size luxury rooms and unrivalled farmhouse breakfasts. We also offer caravan and camping facilities.

ON-SITE FACILITIES

We have an on-site Café, serving breakfasts and meals through the day, with both indoor and outdoor seating areas. We have a fully licensed bar for celebratory drinks strictly after activities have been concluded. We have an award-winning Indian restaurant (The Pavilion) which can be booked in advance if required.

MEMBERSHIP IS OPEN TO ALL

Whether a competitive shooter or a social member, we still have membership slots available. Members' benefits: discounts and bulk-buy options for targets, discounts for lessons, access to functions and a weekly newsletter detailing special offers available throughout the year.

OTHER ACTIVITIES ON-SITE

Lea Marston Shooting Club is situated in a 200-acre expanse of rural Warwickshire countryside. We offer Quad Trekking and Quad Instruction by our EASI qualified instructor. As well as undercover Crossbow, Longbow, Air rifle and Air Pistol Ranges with instruction. We have covered Practise stands for clay shooting with instruction for novice and intermediate shooters paying per shot including: 1:1 instruction, gun hire, ammunition, targets, safety equipment and briefing.

HOW TO FIND US

Lea Marston Shooting Club, Blackgreaves Lane, Sutton Coldfield, B76 0DA.

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HOW TO HIT

AN INTRODUCTION TO **FITASC** SPORTING

Simon Arbuckle returns for the fourth CPSA How to Hit Series, sponsored by Browning, and with companion videos filmed at Southdown Gun Club by Gunroom.TV.



In this series, we will be covering FITASC Sporting. Having covered English Sporting and Sportrap, this is a natural progression.

In this first article, I'm going to cover the general rules governing the discipline. This first thing to note, in the image below, is that now I've got a yellow line on my vest. This is because the gun must be held beneath this line before the target's called for. The highest point of the stock is what must be held beneath the line. On a standard stock, that's the heel, and on a Monte Carlo or adjustable stock, it's the comb itself that must be below the yellow line. In the example to the right you can see that the adjustable stock on the Browning ProSport that I am using is below the line. The line is 25cm down from the apex of the shoulder and must be a contrasting colour to the vest – in other words, no black on black or white on white etc.

Unlike English Sporting, where the shooting takes place inside a wooden stand or metal cage, FITASC shooting takes place inside a one-meter hoop or metal square.

This ideally needs to be on level ground, because FITASC tends to incorporate a lot of different terrain where uneven ground could present safety issues.

FITASC is shot in squads of up to six people. The menu on each hoop contains single targets and pairs. As the squad rotates through the hoops, the person shooting first rotates between the singles and the pairs, and again on rotating pegs. That means that every person gets a chance at shooting first. As you can see on the menu (image below right) there are singles first and then pairs. The standard targets are the letters without any description next to it. Anything other than a standard must say what it is, such as a battue, a midi, a mini, a rabbit, etc.

The system that we are demonstrating in this series is the 'old system' FITASC Sporting, as compared to the 'new system'. The old system remains generally more available in the UK than the new system. Old system means that on each layout there are five traps and three hoops with one menu per hoop, for fifteen single targets

and five pairs, making a total of 25 targets. Four layouts then make a shoot of 100 targets.

Unlike English Sporting, where some people mount the gun as soon as they hear the trap go, or when they call 'pull', in FITASC you can

only mount the gun when the target is released and is visible. That means there may be a period of time before the target emerges from behind a tree or bank,

before you can mount. Another big difference from English Sporting is that there's no cage restraining where you can move within the hoop – therefore, you can turn your feet and move. Now, this is where the referee must control the squad, so that there's no muzzles swinging across the squad that's waiting.

FITASC enforces a maximum cartridge size of 28 grams. Another rule that was introduced recently is 'please use the bin' – any cartridges dropped on the ground must be put back into the bin after the shooter has finished shooting, and not be left on the ground.

The best way to really learn about FITASC is to read the rules.

The rules do change, so if you get a chance and you want to try it, download them from the FITASC website and keep yourself up to date on what's needed and current.

And that's a general overview of FITASC Sporting and how to shoot it.

In the next article, we will look at how to shoot from the hoop, the procedure for rotating shooters in a FITASC Sporting squad, and how the menu is used. 🍌

Visit fitasc.com/uk where you can download the full rules, and can learn more about the difference between the old system and new system.



WATCH

View our How to Hit videos by visiting cpsa.co.uk/hth4 or on our YouTube channel. Please share the videos with your clay-shooting friends!

Above: The highest point of the stock must be below the line on the vest. **Left:** the line on the vest must be 25cm from the apex of the shoulder. **Right:** A typical FITASC Sporting menu.



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The RSR utilises 33" barrel length, which some may think seems a little unwieldy, but as with the HVR it's the perfect engineering and balance that makes all the difference. The RSR swings effortlessly, it really is a joy to shoot. I tested the gun at Oakedge SG and it handled their variety of sporting targets with ease. I was really impressed with its ability to handle a fast right to left rabbit, about 15 yards away. Typically you would assume it would be tricky with the longer barrel length, but it moves so well as to be no trouble at all. Conversely, it's that same length of barrel that handled a 40-yard crossing midi admirably,

shooting is extremely comfortable and allows far better target acquisition, resulting in better performance and higher scores.

One of the key selling points with a John Jeffries gun is the fitting – John is one of the best in the business. Customers will be seen a minimum of three times during this process to ensure the perfect fit. The 'head up' shooting position delivered from the design of the rib means that a good gun fit, as always, is essential to avoid the gun shooting high. Other notable points are the unique flute shaped fore-end which John designed, and the comfortable palm swell.

“The woodwork is fantastic, highly figured walnut with a lovely natural oil finish...”

”shotgun that looks fantastic, shoots like a dream and will increase your scores. I cannot recommend highly enough that you check out the RSR, you will not be disappointed. Price includes two-year guarantee and all fitting and alterations pre and post purchase (if required).

New for 2020 from John Jeffries Custom Guns is the Salvinelli 'High Vision' Advanced RSR.

SALVINELLI RSR
ADVANCED

RRP: £6,800 (fixed choke, multi-choke is an extra £520.)
johnjeffries-customguns.com

We tested the Perugini and Visini HVR last year and were amazed by its performance and balance – but its price tag may have been prohibitive for some. The Advanced RSR is a third of the price of the HVR, so are the quality and features compromised in a more competitively priced model? Let's find out.

First impressions of the RSR are really good, the woodwork is fantastic, highly figured walnut with a lovely natural oil finish. The simple plain black action contrasts the wood brilliantly, and the gold lettering on both the barrels and action is a really pleasing finishing touch. Handling the gun, things get even better. RSR stands for 'Reverse Slope Rib', in real terms this means that the rib is lower at the action end than at the muzzle. In fact, you can actually see 6mm of rib at the action, whereas a standard shotgun would be more like 1 or 2mm. It is a different sighting picture, but when

MAKE	Salvinelli RSR Advanced
GAUGE	12g
ACTION	Over & Under
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STOCK ADJUSTMENT	Bespoke fitting
STOCK FINISH	Customer choice
WEIGHT	8.8 lbs but can be specified by customer

OVERALL
RATING

9.4/10

RATINGS: Value for money: 9

Handling/balance: 10

Specification: 9

Build quality: 10

Mechanical function: 9

YOUNG SHOTS

James Bradley-Day

Last year's CPSA Emerging Shooter of the Year, **James Bradley-Day** talks about his transition from Junior to Senior.

Having first picked up a gun at the age of eight, James Bradley-Day has honed his shooting skills on his father's farm at Wingham, Kent, since childhood. He has won many competitions as a Colt, and then as a Junior, but how might the transition to Senior change his approach?

"When you move up a category there's less room for error, so you immediately have to up your game," says James. "For the past year I've entered every competition with the mentality of trying to win Overall, rather than just the Juniors. This way it wouldn't seem like being thrown in the deep end when I turned 21," he continues. "In all honesty, transitioning to the Senior category is something that I'd been really looking forward to – a chance to prove how much of a serious competitor I can be."

Since recently changing guns to the new Beretta 694 James feels more than ready for the task ahead. "I'm shooting better than I ever have before, and I think people already take me seriously after being on the Overall podium

at a few major events last year. Some people may have the idea that once out of Juniors I'll start to slow down, but this is about as far from the truth as it gets," he tells us. "I won't back off – if anything I'll do more."

As a Senior, James will be focusing on English Sporting and Compak. He'll also shoot some of the bigger FITASC shoots in the UK but will be giving the World and European FITASC a miss – purely because there isn't enough time to do everything.

And of the future? He continues, "I plan on more of the same. I love travelling the world and competing in a sport that, in all honesty, is my complete addiction. The more

I perform well, the more my coaching clientele business JBD Sporting grows, so it's all added motivation," he explains.

"And it's important that I keep enough time free for this, whether it be running a simulated day/clay shoot or coaching clients."



WHEN DOES THE TRANSITION FROM JUNIOR TO SENIOR CATEGORY TAKE PLACE?

You make the transition from Junior to Senior on your 21st birthday. James Bradley-Day turned 21 on the 13 February 2020.

Join the conversation

Tell us what you want to hear about! Whether it's competitions for young shooters, motivational stories from around the country, or simply the best guns our top young shots use – get in touch.

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JAMES'S TOP TIPS FOR JUNIORS

TIP 1 Get a good coach –
Find someone who communicates well and is competing at the highest standard. I used to waste time, money and cartridges shooting at targets – and yes, the more I shot the better I got – but I didn't have a good understanding of how or why I was shooting better. A good coach would have explained this to me within a few sessions.

TIP 2 Don't become obsessed by sponsorship –
Sponsorship worth having will come to you. If you go asking for sponsorship or tagging companies in every single social media post in an attempt to be noticed, you may devalue yourself. I'm now sponsored by just three companies – GMK Ltd/Beretta, Hull Cartridge and Promatic. I have complete confidence in their products, and we have a great relationship. Remember that sponsorship works both ways – you need to be giving something back too.

TIP 3 Find a way to help pay –
I was very lucky to have the support of my parents. I started coaching when I was about 16, and in the early days it was just to earn a little extra to pay for some of my own competitions. As my own shooting has progressed, so has my coaching. It's something I'm proud of and I love watching those who come to me for help achieve their goals.

FURTHER INFORMATION

To find out more about James's coaching and JBD Sporting see jbdsporting.co.uk or email info@jbdsporting.co.uk

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

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COMPETITION SUCCESS

English Sporting: The year kicked off with the ICTSF World Sporting at Dowth Hall in Ireland. The England teams took gold in Seniors, Ladies, Juniors and Veterans with the Super Veterans claiming silver.

Unfortunately, at the NSCA/CPSA World Sporting at Northbrook, Illinois, the Americans took full advantage of the home ground, sweeping to victory in the team events of Seniors, Ladies, Juniors, Veterans and Super Veterans. Our England teams hung on to second place in Seniors, Ladies and Super Veterans and third place in Juniors and Veterans.

The British Open was held at High Lodge. John Bidwell and Andy Coppen set their usual demanding but enjoyable targets. I suspect the golf course will never be the same again! Richard Faulds took the Overall High Gun and championship trophy for the second year. Stuart Clark was Runner-up by two targets, with Josh Bennion securing third place. The event was also combined with the British Open Sportrap which was won by Sam Green on 95 with Aaron Harvey coming a close Runner-up on 93 with George Digweed coming third Overall.

The 2019 Home International was held at Dungannon in Northern Ireland, where the England teams cleaned up in every category as well as the newly introduced Overall team trophy. The targets, which were set by Jamie Peckham, were in the opinion of England team manager Richard Hunter 'near perfect'. But he's only been doing the job for nine years so what would he know?

DTL: We played our part in reducing the sport's carbon footprint by holding all three major DTL events at the same ground in the same week. The ICTSC DTL was hosted at Bywell in July. The Overall winning country, taking the newly introduced team Trophy, was England. The winning Senior team went to Northern Ireland, with England taking second place. The winning Ladies and Junior team was England. The Veterans came a close second to Scotland. Special thanks must however, go to Claire Heney for the tomatoes!

The British Open DTL was also staged at Bywell during this the same week. Ian

Roper was Overall High Gun, following an astounding 100/300+75 in a shoot-off with Bob Singleton, who finished on 100/300+74. Emma Holden took the Ladies Open title, Cory Doble took the Colts trophy, Ellie Dunphy took the Junior title, Tony Dawe the Super Veterans and Ian Roper the Veterans.

Following on from the British, the 2019 European DTL Championships also took place at, yes you guessed it, Bywell. England took the Ladies team trophy by an impressive 49 points with Northern Ireland coming second. The Juniors took third place while our Veteran team romped home with a, lucky for some, 13-point advantage. Ian Mullarkey notched up overall High Gun by only dropping half a clay over 200 targets, with Daniel Price coming a close second. Emma Holden took Ladies High Gun, whilst Cory Doble took the Colts trophy with a 17-point lead, Jessica Byard took the third Colts prize to give England two out of three in this category, showcasing future stars of the sport.

English Skeet: The ICTSC Home International was held at Moray in Southern Ireland. The newly appointed and very popular manager, Julie Havill rallied her team forward to take the overall winning Country title by a lead of 33 targets over second place Northern Ireland. The Ladies, Veterans and Super Veterans teams also took first place with the Seniors and Juniors just falling into second. I suspect Julie already has a plan to double the cake ration as an incentive for her team to do even better during 2020.

Dartford held the British Open Skeet which was won by the godfather of Skeet coaching, Alan Warren, on the only 100 of the event. Gary Cooke shot 99 to come Runner-up after a shoot-off with Daryl Burton. Jackie Eley took the Ladies title with Megan Jones coming a close second. Ross Lester won the Junior title. Alan Warren also took the Veteran title, whilst Tristan Hockey took the Colt trophy shooting at his home ground.

Olympic Skeet: Northern Ireland hosted the OSK Home International. The winning Country and Senior team were England

with a lead of 32 clays over Scotland. Our Ladies, Juniors and Veterans also took the team trophies. The Super Vets losing out to Scotland by one target. High Gun went to Team Captain Jeremy Bird on 99/100. Junior High Gun was Mitchell Brooker-Smith 95/100. Veteran Lee Bowditch 92/100. Andrew Payne, who at 14-years-old, took the new Cap High Gun badge.

Olympic Trap: The 43rd Home International was hosted by England at The National Clay Shooting Centre, Bisley. England won by 65 points from Scotland, who had just pipped Wales by a single point for the Runners-up Position. The England Ladies/Juniors/Veterans/Super Veterans teams had similar success. High Gun was Rod Gould, Veteran High Gun was David Lloyd, Super Veterans High Gun was David Thornley.

FITASC: The FSP Home International was held at Atkin Grant & Lang in late September. It was a clean sweep for England who took all the team titles. England Senior team having fought off Scotland to win by 518 to 517. As I said at the banquet that evening, what a difference a clay makes. Full congratulations must go to Charlie Stewart-Wood for the excellent course he designed, and to his team for managing it so well during the weekend.

FINANCIALS

The companies income this year was just over 2 million, against 2.17 million the previous year. This is mainly due to not hosting the CPSA World English Sporting and Sportrap Championships. It is worth remembering that this does not represent a shortfall in income as the additional money generated by the Worlds is used to feed back into the competition. In fact, our overall surplus for the year was £29K, compared with £16K last year. This surplus will be added to our reserve policy in line with our auditor recommended policy. In 2020 we will be hosting the CPSA World English Sporting and Sportrap Championships and ICTSF World DTL Championships, which will significantly increase our overall income. We can expect these figures to be greatly enhanced in next year's report.

HEAD OFFICE

There were several changes at Head Office over the year. Although taking over towards the end of the previous year, 2019 was Iain Parker's first full year as CEO. Watching from the inside for the first time as Chairman, I've witnessed the many initiatives, budget alignments, sponsorship and membership promotions, as well as the remoulding and rebranding of many of our core processes he has been responsible for. As a result, I personally believe that we are in a significantly better place than we were this time a year ago, and I'd like to express my thanks and admiration for the efforts Iain is taking to move this organisation forward.

Trudy Abel, who many of you will know, managed the England teams for over 13 years, decided to start her own business and left during the summer. We wish her success and satisfaction in her new venture. Although Trudy will be greatly missed, Clare Heney has taken on her role and very quickly come to grips with, arguably, one of the more taxing jobs we have at HQ. Additionally,

as a result of internal reorganisation, Richard Worthington has taken on further responsibilities with marketing and *Pull!* magazine which are less high-profile, so can often be overlooked, but are equally important and valued when the applause and thanks are being handed out. Although not a change in personnel, I'd like to mention Mark Smith, our membership officer who will, before the end of this year, have reached 20 years service with us. Although I'm sure we will officially recognise that achievement when it comes to term, I would just like to add my personal thanks and appreciation for his resolution and commitment as well as his cheerful and outgoing personality.

SPONSORSHIP

Although in previous years we have had significant and welcome sponsorship from within the industry, full credit must go to Iain Parker and Phoebe Grant for their tireless efforts which have greatly enhanced both our sponsor base and the level of commitment we, and they can jointly

provide for the benefit of the members. In 2019 Musto became our headline sponsors with a greatly increased, long ranging and generous commitment to our sport. Similarly our other sponsors, Rizzini, Browning, Gamebore, Eley, Promatic, Romero Insurance, Evolution and Castellani have either joined us during the year or significantly increased their commitment and support.

On a personal note, when this article is published it will be one full year since I took on the role as Chairman. I would like to thank the HQ staff and my fellow directors for the help and support they've given me over this time. Most of all I want to thank all of you, the members, for the welcome you have given me and the assistance you have provided during what has been quite a hectic learning curve. The pup and I will shortly be hitting the road for the new season and we look forward to meeting you all again in 2020.

John Martin
February 2020

DIRECTORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 30 November 2019 - The directors present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 30 November 2019.

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting

Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'. Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies for the Company's financial statements and then apply them consistently;

- Make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
 - Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.
- The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

RESULTS AND REVIEW OF BUSINESS

2018/2019 has been a successful year at the CPSA across a number of areas, whilst facing challenges of a fall in membership and in turn income in the financial year.

Membership numbers were down year on year with 23,192 (2018: 23,695) active members at year end, while competitors

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors

J T Martin (Chairman)
W A Heeks (Deputy Chairman)
C Smith
B Moorhead
P Saich
J T Martin
N Heron
D E Rollason
M Conway (appointed 23 March 2019)
R Faulds (appointed 23 March 2019)

Company secretary
I Parker

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03146770

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at our major Championships increased. We continued to work on behalf of the membership with key legislation issues – such as environmental and legal issues facing our sport through our seat on BSSC, directly with government and working with fellow associations. We had some changes to the team at CPSA HQ in the year and refocused our marketing plans in the year. Development work and investment continued in our SHOOT programme, which is key to improving our competitive shoots and Championships. Our coaching and education courses continued to increase year on year as we develop and modernise the programme. In 2019, we were able to increase sponsorship for our major Championships and signed a three year headline sponsor with the performance clothing brand Musto. The surplus for the year, after taxation, amounted to £29,356 (2018: £16,529).

DIRECTORS

The directors who served during the year were:

J T Martin (Chairman)
W A Heeks (Deputy Chairman)
T R Bobbett (resigned 23 March 2019)
C Smith
B Moorhead
P Saich
J T Martin
G P Walker (resigned 23 March 2019)
N Heron
D E Rollason
R Kibblewhite (resigned 31 July 2019)
M Conway (appointed 23 March 2019)
R Faulds (appointed 23 March 2019)

RESERVES POLICY

The Clay Pigeon Shooting Association aims to keep free cash reserves for four to six months of core activity expenditure, therefore giving a target range of £500,000 to £750,000 of free cash reserves.

Free cash reserves at 30 November 2019 were £560,975 (2018: £566,449). Free cash reserves are made up of general reserves, cash received from deferred membership less fixed assets. We continue to be mindful of the need to improve the free reserves whilst making appropriate investments in the organisation.

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITORS

Each of the persons who are directors at the time when this directors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- So far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Companies auditors are unaware.
- The director has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Haysmacintyre LLP, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

SMALL COMPANIES NOTE

In preparing this report, the directors have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the board on 1 February 2020 and signed on its behalf.

J T Martin (Chairman)
Director

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING ASSOCIATION LIMITED

OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of Clay Pigeon Shooting Association Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 30 November 2019, which comprise the Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Changes in Equity and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- Give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 30 November 2019 and of its surplus for the year then ended
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice
- Have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

BASIS FOR OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

CONCLUSIONS RELATING TO GOING CONCERN

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- The directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- The directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Companies ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

OTHER INFORMATION

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Auditors' Report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

OPINION ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- The information given in the Directors' Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements;
- The Directors' Report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which

the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- Adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- Certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- We have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- The directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the Directors' Report and from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement on page 1, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine

is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an Auditors' Report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the

economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditors' Report.

USE OF OUR REPORT

This report is made solely to the Company's shareholders in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's shareholders for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Jeremy R Beard (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of **haysmacintyre**
Statutory Auditors, 10 Queen Street Place
London, EC4R 1AG
2 February 2020.

CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING ASSOCIATION LIMITED

(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

	Note	2019 £	As restated 2018 £
Income		2,005,266	2,172,482
Direct costs		(18,654)	(14,993)
Gross surplus		1,986,612	2,157,489
Administrative expenses		(1,959,568)	(2,142,634)
Operating surplus		27,044	14,855
Interest receivable and similar income		3,678	3,201
Surplus before tax		30,722	18,056
Tax on surplus	5	(1,366)	(1,527)
Surplus for the year		29,356	16,529

There was no other comprehensive income for 2019 (2018:£NIL).
The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.



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NEW: Browning Maxus Black Carbon.....	£1190 Or £32 per month
NEW: ATA SP Nickel/Black Sporter.....	£599 Or £16 per month
NEW: Winchester SX4's.....	£650 Or £18 per month
NEW: Winchester SXP Wood/Syn/Camo.....	£355 Or £9 Per Month
NEW: Benelli 828U Sporting 30"/32".....	£3095 Or £83 Per Month
NEW: Benelli M2SP.....	£1330 Or £36 per month
USED: Beretta 692 32" Sporter.....	£2350 Or £63 Per Month

USED: Beretta S04 30" Trap L/H.....	£3995 Or £107 Per Month
USED: Perazzi High Tech 30 1/4 Trap.....	£6995 Or £188 Per Month
USED: Perazzi 2000/3 30 1/4 Trap.....	£6500 Or £173 Per Month
USED: Blaser F3 Professional 32".....	£3295 Or £88 Per Month
USED: Krieghoff K80 Sporter 30".....	£4995 Or £133 Per Month
USED: Beretta 694 30" Sporter.....	£2895 Or £77 Per Month
USED: Beretta Collection 95 30"S porter.....	£795 Or £22 Per Month
USED: Beretta 682 Gold E 30" Sporter.....	£1400 Or £38 Per Month
USED: Browning 725 30" Pro Sport (demo).....	£2595 Or £69 Per Month
USED: Browning 525 Laminated 32".....	£1750 Or £47 Per Month
USED: Browning 325 Gr6 28" Sporter.....	£1495 Or £40 Per Month
USED: ATA SP Deluxe 30" Game.....	£795 Or £22 Per Month
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USED: Browning A5 125 Anniversary 28".....	£1295 Or £35 Per Month
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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 NOVEMBER 2019

	Note	2019 £	As restated 2018 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	6	315,654	282,407
		<u>315,654</u>	<u>282,407</u>
Current Assets			
Stocks		41,748	52,841
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	7	120,768	144,241
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>646,635</u>	<u>616,927</u>
		809,151	814,009
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	8	<u>(856,185)</u>	<u>(857,152)</u>
Net current assets		(47,034)	(43,143)
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>268,620</u>	<u>239,264</u>
Net assets		<u><u>268,620</u></u>	<u><u>239,264</u></u>
Reserves			
Other reserves	9	20,000	
General reserves	9	<u>248,620</u>	<u>239,264</u>
		<u><u>268,620</u></u>	<u><u>239,264</u></u>

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A – small entities. The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and were signed on its behalf on 1 February 2020.

J T Martin (Chairman)
Director

W A Heeks (Deputy Chairman)
Director

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

	Designated reserves £	General reserves £	Total equity £
At 1 December 2017 (as previously stated)	–	839,819	839,819
Prior year adjustment	–	(617,084)	(617,084)
At 1 December 2017 (as restated)	–	222,735	222,735
Surplus for the year	–	16,529	16,529
At 1 December 2018	–	239,264	239,264
Surplus for the year	–	29,356	29,356
Transfer from general reserves	20,000	(20,000)	–
At 30 November 2019	<u>20,000</u>	<u>248,620</u>	<u>268,620</u>

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Clay Pigeon Shooting Association is the National Governing Body for Clay Pigeon Shooting in England. The company remains committed to promoting excellence in the sport.

The company is a private company limited (registered number: 3146770) limited by guarantee and was incorporated in England and Wales. The company's registered office is Edmonton House, Bisley Camp, Brookwood, Surrey, GU24 0NP.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006.

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 Income

Income is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the Company and the income can be reliably measured. Income is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

Membership fees are recognised for the period to which they relate.

Championships, events and courses income are recognised in respect of goods and services supplied during the year.

2.3 Operating leases: the Company as lessee

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

2.4 Interest income

Interest income is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income using the effective interest method.

2.5 Pensions**Defined contribution pension plan**

The Company operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the Company has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the Balance Sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Company in independently administered funds.

2.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management. Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property	0% straight line
Property improvements	10% straight line
Motor vehicles	25% straight line
Furniture, fittings and equipment	25–33% straight line
IT Development	20% straight line

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date. Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

2.7 Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value, being the estimated selling price less costs to complete and sell. Cost is based on the cost of purchase on a first in, first out basis. Work in progress and finished goods include labour and attributable overheads.

At each balance sheet date, stocks are assessed for impairment. If stock is impaired, the carrying amount is reduced to its selling price less costs to complete and sell. The impairment loss is recognised immediately in profit or loss.

2.8 Debtors

Short term debtors are measured at transaction price, less any impairment. Loans receivable are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment.



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2.9 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of not more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature in no more than three months from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

2.10 Creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other financial liabilities, including bank loans, are measured initially at fair value, net of transaction costs, and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.11 Financial instruments

The Company only enters into basic financial instruments transactions that result in the recognition of financial assets and liabilities like trade and other debtors and creditors.

3. EMPLOYEES

The average monthly number of employees, including directors, during the year was 15 (2018 – 15).

4. STAFF COSTS

	2019 £	2018 £
Wages and salaries	520,370	502,429
Social security costs	47,122	44,337
Other pension costs	32,972	24,028
	<u>600,464</u>	<u>570,794</u>

5. TAXATION

	2019 £	2018 £
Corporation tax		
Current tax on surplus for the year	1,366	1,527
Total current tax	<u>1,366</u>	<u>1,527</u>

Factors affecting tax charge for the year: The company is a mutual trading company. The only liabilities to Corporation Tax are on interest and commission receivable.

Factors that may affect future tax charges: There were no factors that may affect future tax charges.

6. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land, building & improvements £	Motor vehicles £	Furniture fittings & equipment £	IT Development £	Total £
Cost of valuation					
At 1 December 2018	232,993	23,499	96,651	50,432	403,575
Additions	4,040	24,194	4,240	39,328	71,802
Disposals	-	(23,499)	-	-	(23,499)
At 30 November 2019	<u>237,033</u>	<u>24,194</u>	<u>100,891</u>	<u>89,760</u>	<u>451,878</u>
Depreciation					
At 1 December 2018	23,293	23,499	53,395	20,981	121,168
Charge for the year on owned assets	-	-	26,396	12,159	38,555
Disposals	-	(23,499)	-	-	(23,499)
At 30 November 2019	<u>23,293</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>79,791</u>	<u>33,140</u>	<u>136,224</u>
Net book value					
At 30 November 2019	<u>213,740</u>	<u>24,194</u>	<u>21,100</u>	<u>56,620</u>	<u>315,654</u>
At 30 November 2018	<u>209,700</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>43,256</u>	<u>29,451</u>	<u>282,407</u>

The Directors do not consider any impairment charge to the land and buildings to be required.

7. DEBTORS

	2019 £	2018 £
Trade debtors	4,151	7,275
Other debtors	872	1,769
Prepayments and accrued income	115,745	135,197
	<u>120,768</u>	<u>144,241</u>

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2019 £	As restated 2018 £
Trade creditors	28,280	29,831
Corporation tax	1,366	1,525
Other taxation and social security	10,823	12,836
Other creditors	69,368	71,989
Accruals	29,527	31,715
Deferred income	716,821	709,256
	<u>856,185</u>	<u>857,152</u>

9. RESERVES
General reserves

Includes all current and prior period retained surplus and deficits.

Other reserves

The board has agreed in the year to designate £20,000 which has been transferred from general funds. The purpose of this fund is primarily to support a team of young shooters/colts for coaching, competition and travel/expense allowances. In addition, to act as a reserve fund for projects related directly to our CPSA World Championships.

10 COMPANY STATUS

Every qualifying member of the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association, in the event of the same being wound up while they are a member or within one year after they cease to be a member, for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association contracted before they cease to be a member, and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and for the adjustment of the right of the contributors among themselves, such amount as may be required not exceeding £1. The number of these members of 30 November 2019 was 23,192 (2018: 23,695).

11 PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

The revenue recognition policy was changed in the year to spread membership income over the 12 month period to which the service relates. This has resulted in general reserves that included income related to future services being reclassified as deferred income. A total of £617,084 of prior year general reserves has been reclassified and £7,491 was released to membership income in 2018. Total surplus was restated at £16,529 (previously stated: £9,038) general reserves were restated at £239,264 (previously stated: £848,857) and deferred income was restated at £709,256 (previously stated: £99,663).

12 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

There are capital commitments of £1,831 at the year end relating software development for a Shoot development programme.

13 PENSION COMMITMENTS

The company operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund and amounted to £32,972 (2018: £24,028). Contributions totalling £nil (2018: £nil) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date.

14. COMMITMENTS UNDER OPERATING LEASES

At 30 November 2019 the Company had future minimum lease payments under non cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2019 £	2018 £
Not later than 1 year	24,317	8,717
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	29,500	13,467
	<u>53,817</u>	<u>22,184</u>

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Hewitson provides professional services for Clay Pigeon Shooting Association. In the period to 30 November 2019, these services totalled £7,019 (2018: £1,318). As at 30 November 2019 the amount due to Hewitson was £nil (2018: £nil). Benedict

Moorhead, a director of Clay Pigeon Shooting Association, and a partner of law firm Hewitson, had no involvement in the services provided by Hewitson and these services were all at arms length.

During the year, John Martin, a director of the association, was paid £5,775 (2018: £4,925) for tutoring services and £5,790 (2018: £5,932) for reimbursed expenses relating to these services. At the year end there was no remaining balance outstanding to John Martin £Nil (2018: £Nil). These transactions were all at arm's length value.

16. SECURITY HELD

HSBC bank holds first charge over the freehold property known as Land and Buildings at Bisley Camp, Brookwood, GU24 0NP in respect of the Business Credit Card Facility.

17. FUNDS HELD FOR OTHERS

The International Clay Target Shooting Federation (ICTSF) is an unconnected organisation to the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association (CPSA). However, they do not maintain their own bank account, instead they utilise CPSA as agents and their cash is held in the CPSA's bank account. A corresponding creditor balance totalling £49,000 (2018: £47,675) is held within other creditors. No income and expenditure relating to the ICTSF is included in the income and expenditure account for the CPSA. The International Clay Target Shooting Council (ICTSC) is an unconnected organisation to the Clay Pigeon Shooting Association (CPSA). However, they do not maintain their own bank account, instead they utilise CPSA as agents and their cash is held in the CPSA's bank account. A corresponding creditor balance totalling £2,110 (2018: £6,622) is held within other creditors. No income and expenditure relating to the ICTSC is included in the income and expenditure account for the CPSA.

18. CONTROLLING PARTY

The Directors consider that there is no ultimate controlling party.

DETAILED PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

	Note	2019 £	As Restated 2018 £
Turnover		2,005,266	2,172,482
Cost Of Sales		(18,654)	(14,993)
Gross surplus		<u>1,986,612</u>	<u>2,157,489</u>
Less: overheads			
Administrative expenses		(1,959,568)	(2,142,634)
Operating surplus		27,044	14,855
Interest receivable		3,678	3,201
Tax on surplus on ordinary activities		(1,366)	(1,527)
Profit for the year		<u>29,356</u>	<u>16,529</u>

SCHEDULE TO THE DETAILED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

	2019 £	2018 £
Income		
Individual members	1,333,390	1,335,017
Club members	41,601	42,991
Trade members	6,363	5,625
Pull subscriptions	60	28
Commonwealth games	-	9,439
Shop	11,405	15,263
Donations and legacies	-	85,831
Other Income	44,967	29,508
Sport development income	2,290	1,644
Championships minor and major income	427,005	521,811
Courses income	112,532	101,266
Sponsorship	22,875	23,250
Shotgun skills	2,778	809
	<u>2,005,266</u>	<u>2,172,482</u>
Expenditure		
Direct costs	18,654	14,993
	<u>18,654</u>	<u>14,993</u>

SCHEDULE TO THE DETAILED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 NOVEMBER 2019

	2019 £	2018 £
Administration expenses		
Championships costs & prizes	381,918	530,958
Courses expenditure	84,275	78,230
Salaries & NI	600,464	570,794
Staff welfare	1,527	844
Staff training	396	648
Staff recruitment	355	21,953
HR consultancy	801	867
Consultancy	1,299	12,690
Travel & motor expenses	7,308	11,803
Rent & rates	-	126
Light & heat	8,769	8,055
Telephone & fax	17,227	17,669
Property repairs & maintenance	9,135	6,251
Bank charges	40,141	40,004
General office expenses	30,874	34,984
Postage	45,578	44,454
Profit/loss on sale of tangible assets	(6,000)	-
Printing and stationery	21,220	21,269
IT & development costs	61,975	52,357
Management committee	10,697	12,308
Sub committees/Regional seminars	7,472	7,095
AGM	10,662	14,218
Awards dinner	37,706	32,556
Pull costs	122,260	129,122
Membership costs	10,404	10,654
Members insurance	142,368	143,185
Commissions payable	1,505	1,151
Subs to shooting organisations	10,206	10,728
Depreciation – fixtures and fittings	38,553	40,430
Regional support	13,253	13,911
Legal and professional	4,691	3,655
International matches	38,466	30,753
Home international support	97,360	56,031
Auditors' remuneration	15,000	14,304
Commercial	76,465	132,413
Health & safety ground audit	717	173
Website/internet costs	9,562	9,615
Tutor training	324	8,695
Coaching conference expenditure	494	1,880
Sport development	4,141	6,362
Commonwealth games	-	9,439
	<u>1,959,568</u>	<u>2,142,634</u>
Interest receivable		
Bank interest receivable	<u>(3,678)</u>	<u>(3,201)</u>



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- Eligibility to become a

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- Eligibility for selection for County and Regional teams, and even for Team England.

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North Of England DTL Selection

So it has come round again. The North of England selection will be held to determine who will represent the North region at the English Open which is being held at Bywell Shooting Ground on Tuesday 7 July. To be selected you need to shoot a minimum of three shoots out of the planned five. The dates and places of the shoots are Sunday 29

March at Spennymoor & District CPC, Sunday 12 April at East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Sunday 19 April at Bywell Shooting Ground, Sunday 10 May at Penrith & District GC, Sunday 7 June at North of England CTC. We look forward to seeing you at the shoots.

Attention to all Lancashire and Yorkshire DTL Shooters

These selection shoots are also being used to determine who will represent Lancashire and Yorkshire in the Inter-County Championship, being held at North of England CTC on the 27th September 2020. So if you wish to be selected to represent your County then please attend at least three of these shoots. We look forward to seeing you all at these shoots.

Emma Holden and Charlotte Kitchen
DTL NOE Mangers

ABT Selection Procedure 2020

North of England ABT team – 2020 Selection Shoots. The dates and venues for this year's selection shoots are 19 April at Bywell SG, 24 May at EYCSG, 11 October at NoE Championships (alongside the National Inter-Counties).

To be considered for the NoE ABT team you will need to shoot at the English Open at East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground on 27 – 28 June. Please let the NoE ABT manager know if you will be attending as soon as possible, as the team must be submitted to the CPSA and the ground prior to the shoot.

Scores from both shoots will be used this year for team selection, however if there are insufficient shooters to form a team the ABT manager reserves the right to select shooters who will be attending the English Open.

Please contact the John Leightley for further information, on the North Region Website.

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Cheshire Top Shots

Congratulations to all Cheshire shooters that feature in the list of Top Shots from the last edition of *Pull!* magazine. Cheshire has a total of 14 shooters covering eight disciplines. For DTL

they are Eleanor Hardy, Toby Hurstfield and Tom Roberts. For English Skeet Christian Bethell, Ian Cunliffe and Hazel Denney. In English Sporting, Kerry Oakley and Fred Whitehurst. In Compak Sporting, Carl Vickers and Andrew Jones. For ABT, Michael Faux. For Olympic Skeet, Alexander Wilkinson. In Olympic Trap, Fred Thornley. In FITASC Thomas Woodcock.

All Cheshire Shooters

A reminder to all Cheshire shooters with aspirations to shoot for your County, please check our website and the 'forthcoming dates' paragraph of *Pull!* magazine for the dates of team selection shoots. These will be published as soon as possible after our AGM.

28 Dec 19: North Wales Shooting School

A small but dedicated group of English Skeet shooters opened the new season of the 50-bird skeet league. The weather was good

for the time of year and high scoring was expected. Alas nobody managed a 50-straight, however three shooters tied for first place with 49. They were Colin Babcock, Jack Hope and Dave Tavernor, each took home 100 cartridges. The next leg is on 25 January.

Mickley Hall Development Programme

This development programme is a must for anyone looking to improve their shooting. There are 7,000 Eley cartridges available at cost price, free instruction once a fortnight and free clays whilst being instructed. Twelve months Mickley Hall membership included, the full details will be available at mickleyhall.com soon.

New Committee Members

Paul Ellis is taking a break and stepping down from his duties as English Sporting team captain. Tom Lowe and Andy Gate have volunteered to take on the role. We wish them all well.

SAM GREEN, 2019 FITASC WORLD SPORTING CLAYS CHAMPION



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Ladies Clay Shooting League

Well the weather stayed fine for the Ladies Clay Shooting League Christmas event, held at Manchester Clay Shooting Club. The Course was tricky in parts and a high tower target needed to be hit in order to win a chocolate Santa. I'm pleased to say most won a Santa but not all – rules are rules! It was a great day along with some competitive scores. On The Peg Clothing provided fantastic support as they have all year. Prizes were also provided by A1 Shot and Louise Aldford from Yorkshire Fillies, these were collected by the Ladies who straightened the most stands. High Gun was a joint affair by Victoria Gallimore and Julia Payne, who both finished on a great 58/75. Thanks also to Mike Sargeson, Paul Ellis, Miles Machin and Robert Eckersley for their support, hints and tips around the course. Thanks again to MCSC for a great day.

Cheshire DTL team selection shoots

There are six selection shoots, with the best four scores to be used. Selection shoot at Fauxdegla on 19 April, Holmes Chapel 14 June, Cheshire County Championship at Holmes Chapel 26 July. Please note that the Inter-Counties is only one week away, so be ready for a call from the Team Captain to go. Nottingham and District date to be confirmed. Plus any two registered scores submitted to David Hurstfield. The DTL West Midlands Inter-Counties is at Nottingham and District on 2 August, and the National Inter-Counties is at North of England on 27 September. Let's have a great summer of shooting, there's some great events this year so let's get Cheshire shooters there!

Cheshire English Skeet team selection shoots

Please note, these dates are provisional and subject to confirmation. Keep checking the website and the 'forthcoming dates' paragraph in *Pull!* magazine, as the dates will be confirmed as soon as possible. Doveridge 15 March, 5 April and 31 May. North Wales Shooting School 6 June and 11 July.

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Congratulations to Dave Hinchliffe on winning the Veterans trophy at the Neil Kaye Memorial shoot, held at Nottingham Gun Club on 8 Dec. Congratulations also to Michael Gilligan on winning the silver medal in the Men's Olympic Skeet, at the Malaga Grand Prix.

CPSA Top 20

Congratulations to the following Derbyshire shooters that have made it into the CPSA Top



Dave Hinchliffe Veterans Winner at Neil Kaye Memorial Shoot

20 in their chosen disciplines: Ian Roper, Dave Hinchliffe, Nick Hendrick, Julie Havill, Paul Insley, Chris Darvell, Keith Roe, Bryan Ward and Michael Gilligan. Well done to you all.

AGM

The Derbyshire CPSA AGM was held at Nottingham & District Gun Club on 19 January. The following people were elected onto the Committee for 2020: Chairman Geoff Flint, Vice Chairwoman Julie Havill, Secretary Ron Baron, Joint Treasurers Geoff Flint and Ron Baron, DTL Manager Ian Roper, Trap Manager Simon Taylor, Skeet Manager Ron Baron, Sporting/All Round Manager Geoff Flint, Committee Helper/Social Media Pip Driver, Press Officer Geoff Flint, West Midlands Regional rep Geoff Flint.

Exciting News

We have an exciting brand new Instagram page, please give us a follow @derbyshire_cpsa. Here, along with our Facebook page, you can follow us on all our shooting journeys, learn all about the Derbyshire shooting team, catch up on scores and events and find out how to become a member of the team yourself! We are always looking for new team members. Don't be scared to try it out!

County Championships and Selections

The Committee are working to arrange County Championships and Selection shoots, once we have these finalised they will be posted on the website, Facebook, Instagram, *Pull!* and at grounds and local gun shops. Unfortunately some of these might clash which cannot be helped with such a busy fixture calendar.

Help for Heroes

The annual Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire DTL and Skeet Challenges in aid of the Help for Heroes Charity have been arranged for: DTL 8 March and Skeet 15 March. Top ten scores to count. Both shoots to be held at Nottingham & District Gun Club. Both shoots are County Team Selections so come along and support your County and the Help for Heroes Charity.

Wanted!

Wanted Seniors, Ladies, Veterans and Juniors in all Disciplines to shoot in Derbyshire Teams at the West Midlands Inter-Counties at various grounds in 2020. Please Contact Geoff Flint on 07778 639691, email geoffflint@rocketmail.com or derbycpsa1@rocketmail.com, or any of the Discipline Managers.

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www.derbyshirecpsa.org.uk. Anyone with any news, results etc for either the website, *Pull!* or our Facebook page please contact Geoff Flint on 07778 639691, email geoffflint@rocketmail.com or derbycpsa1@rocketmail.com, or any of the Discipline Managers.

Forthcoming dates

1 Mar	West Mids Inter Counties FITASC, Garlands
8 Mar	DTL Selection / Help for Heroes shoot, Nottingham GC
15 Mar	Skeet Selection / Help for Heroes shoot, Nottingham GC

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17 Nov 19: Longridge

Gloucestershire shooters were on fire with big scores: Nick Portlock AA came first with 94, Kevin Childs with 93, Sean Foley 87 and Jenny Young with 85.



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24 Nov 19: Westfields

Clynt Warren and Nick Portlock both scored 91.

22 Dec 19: Westfields

Excellent scores from Joe Hale with 94, Adrian Johnson with 93, Nick Portlock with 92 and Zea Purnell with 83.

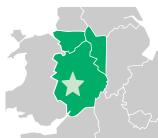
31 Dec 19: Westfields

Matt Turk took the High Gun with 96, Adrian Johnson with 92 and Joe Hale with 90.

Other Noted Accomplishments

Steve Lovatt with 99 at Owls Lodge, Adrian Johnson with 98 at Meadowcroft and 97 at College Farm.

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CPSA Top 20

Congratulations to the following H&W members that are in the top 20 CPSA listings for their preferred discipline. Dan Price, Lee Kirby, Jack Ruane, Thomas Burns, Emma Parkinson, Rebecca Savins, Archie Parker-Smith, Mitchell Brooker-Smith, Phil Sanders, Lee Betts, Thomas Betts and Phil Smith.

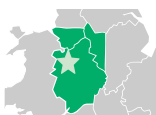
H&W 2020 Details

The new H&W committee will have been selected in February at the AGM and all details will be advertised in the April issue of *Pull!*. They will also be shown on our Facebook page and the H&W website. The 2020 County Championship dates will be set and advertised as soon as possible.

Forthcoming dates

29 Feb-1 Mar WM Area and Inter-Counties
FITASC at Garlands.

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CPSA Top Shots 2019 from Shropshire

Shropshire Top Shots is led by Helice Internationals: Marcus Iddon ranked first by a margin of 3.54%, Alan Rowley fifth, Andrew Lloyd 13th, and Gareth Stanford-Iddon 18th. In Olympic Skeet Arran Eccleston is ranked 13th (Open Category) and seventh in Juniors. Olympic Trap specialist Rebecca Fergusson is ranked eighth in Ladies. Julie Burton is ranked first in Ladies All Round, following on from her third Ladies British Open All Round title this year and Runner-up in the Ladies English Open. Trevor Lewis was eighth in the Veterans All Round List. Well done to all, hopefully we will see more Shropshire members in the Top Shots during 2020!

24 Nov: Shropshire DTL Championship, Mid Wales

Saving the best for last comes to mind with this exciting Championship that had a few surprises across the classes and categories. It was a good day to be a Veteran, Colt or Junior. The Shropshire DTL Champion for 2019 is former DTL England Team Member, Captain and Manager Alan Ellison who led the way on a magnificent 99/295. The Runner-up two points behind was fellow Veteran Tony Gardener, significantly beating his top shot son by just one point. It is noted that first in A Class was Alan Ellison, first in B Class was Tony Gardener and first in AA Class was Shaun Gardener! Graham Evans was third in Veterans. Shaun was the top Senior, with Alan Rowley and Gregory Stafford tied for second. Julie Burton won the Ladies title and first in C Class, with Jan Dixon Ladies Runner-up.

Now for the really exciting bit, featuring four



Pat Reeves with Colts & Juniors, Mid Wales.

Colts and one Junior. All shot well, especially given the very limited registered shoots any of them have completed. Two Colts, Fergus Ward and Jack Shipton, tied for first place on 83/237 and a full round shoot-off was organised that proved very exciting to watch. Both shot well, Fergus 20/55 and Jack 24/70 to take the Junior title. The bronze medal was won by Joel Kelly, another Colt. A special mention goes to another Cadet in the Shropshire Development Initiative, Charlie Morris of Hereford & Worcester, who shot a very respectable 97/278 in the Kreighoff Winter Series. Big thanks to Pat Reeves for encouraging and supporting all of the Cadets! The presence of more Colts and Juniors last year shooting in County Championships was very refreshing, and there will be much more to come from these young men next year – hopefully some young Ladies too. Many thanks to the Williams family and the team at the Mid Wales Shooting Centre for supporting the Shropshire DTL County Championship.

Thanks to everyone who shot at Mid Wales and those that supported the County competitions throughout last year. We can't wait for the new competitive clay season!

18 Jan: Barry Edwards Memorial Shoot, WMSG, Hodnet

Barry Edwards was a very popular member and shot for the County in a variety of disciplines over many year's. He was a good listener, good friend to many and offered useful pragmatic advice, quietly with authority. He is greatly missed. Nick Williamson won the trophy that was kindly sponsored by Dave Brick who knew Barry for many year's. Peter Bridger and Fred Wilson were joint Runners-up with Mike Cashmore not far behind.

8 Feb: Awards Evening, Corbet Arms

A special thanks to all those who supported the event and the County throughout 2019, it is very much appreciated.

Please visit the website for full 2019 results and information on this year's calendar.



Nick Williamson – Barry Edwards Memorial Trophy Winner, with Dave Brick.

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STAFFORDSHIRE



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To all our fellow Staffordshire shooters – if you see nothing in here relating to your areas of interest please tell us! Tell us what you're shooting, where you're off to and what you'd like to see in our county updates. In turn if you send us pictures and a few words about where you have been we can make our best efforts to get these into print.

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The Warwickshire AGM was held in January and most of the committee were re-elected.

Unfortunately for us Gordon Coates resigned from his post and we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for all of your year's of service as a committee member. We all hope to see you out and about enjoying your shooting. The committee remains otherwise as John Nightingale, Paul Fallon, Stu Thomas, Bob Kibblewhite, Ant Evans, Dave Boylan, Simon Daniel, Wayne Killian and me Julie Sperling. Team Managers will be confirmed in the next issue. We have

vacancies on the committee, if anyone is interested please let us know and we can explain what is required. A big thank you to all of the committee for the help and support over the last year.

The latest venue and date information for West Midlands Area and Inter-Counties shoots are available online sites.cpsa.co.uk/warwickshire/fixtures-2020. Any shooting news please email us along with photos so that I can report the details.

Forthcoming dates

9 May	Skeet Cosford
17 May	ABT Rugby & District
6 Jun	Sportrap Cosford
7 Jun	UT Rugby & District
27 Jun	Skeet Doubles Cosford
11 Jul	Olympic Skeet Cosford
26 Jul	Helice Rugby & District



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That's 2019 done now we've had the AGM, we have been working on the new dates for competitions for 2020 and will have already had the OTR at Nuthampstead so the results will have been put out on the website and Facebook page.

A list of dates so far this year is below, hopefully we will have them all confirmed by the time this reaches you. We have had to go out of county for most of the shoots this year as they are divided between Eriswell Lodge, Nuthampstead, Cambridge Gun Club,

Priory, and Rugby.

Thanks to all the committee for their work this last year, we also for the first time ever now have three ladies on the committee, we look forward to the year to come.

Finally I hope you all have a good and enjoyable year.

Forthcoming dates

15 Mar	UTR, Nuthampstead
31 May	DTL, Priory
16 Aug	SB, Priory
27 Sep	HEL, Rugby
18 Oct	DR, Priory
25 Oct	OSK, Priory

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As always over the Christmas and New Year Period County Shooting takes a rest, but not for our members!

Various Winter Series across the Region kept us well entertained and tested across a variety of disciplines, and as this report hits the magazine we still have several shoots before we know the Overall winners – however we already know our County Winner of the Supreme, Senior, Ladies, Veteran and Junior Championships 2019.

As is custom the Champions were presented with their trophies and glassware at the County AGM. The Barge and Bottle at Sleaford hosted this year's event which proved to be a great venue, fairly central in our vast County with good communication links to the North, South, East and West. Despite the tail end of Storm Brendan doing its best to keep some away, the AGM was well supported, giving us our largest attendance for many year's. Those who did venture out were in for a treat with a buffet prior to the start of the meeting, and a very full raffle table. Thanks to everyone who kindly donated prizes for the evening. It was a great opportunity to spend time with friends, new and old, and take the opportunity to put forward suggestions for any changes that will benefit our members. Following the buffet Secretary Paul Stennett opened the proceedings and offered a heartfelt congratulations to all the members who had achieved personal bests, represented their Country or Team GB the previous year.

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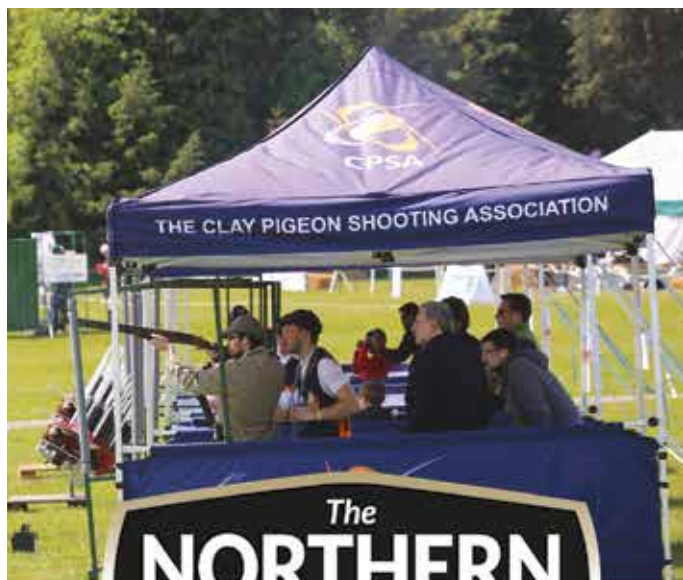
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Steve Smith Supreme Champion of Champions.



Saira Boardman Ladies Champion.

We had great success at Revesby Country Fair and Brocklesby Fair. Thank you to the committee and volunteers Marvin Houghton, Phil Thomas, Alan Firth, Richard Gray, Paul Briggs, Jane Bell and husband Andy, and Tony Woodcock. All of them went to one or both events and we are very grateful for those prepared to give up their own shooting to promote our sport.

A special mention must go to the previously unprecedented success of the Junior sporting team, achieving first in the East Midlands event and Runners-up Nationally. Congratulations to Kallum Burrell, Callum Burgess, Alex Horton and Jack Page.

This was followed by the election of officers and members. All officers were returned for a further year of volunteering, as were the current members. We are delighted to add to the committee for the coming year volunteers Richard Gray, Richard Thompson and Eric Cundall. Welcome on board and congratulations.

Following the formal aspect of the AGM it was award time. Going down to the very last County Championship event, this was one of the closest fought battles for many a year.

There was some fantastic shooting throughout the year, with Steve Smith and Pete Atkin fighting every inch of the way taking things to the wire. Supreme Champion of Champions 2019 is Steve Smith, who scored well throughout the year. Narrowly missing out this year as Supreme Champion, Pete Atkin takes the honours in the Senior Championship. Saira Boardman by her own admission, 'just wanted to be competitive this year' in the Ladies events. Little did she know her competitiveness would land her the Ladies Champion title. Last year's Supreme Champion Richard Gray took the Veterans Trophy to add to his bulging Trophy Cabinet. George Cheer made it three on the trot as he took the Junior title, to add to his previous

Junior titles from 2018 and 2017.

That was almost it for the awards evening, except for the vast variety of raffle prizes. This year's prize hamper was won by Barry Exton, congratulations. We would like to thank everyone at the Barge and Bottle for the attention to detail, great service and food.

From everyone on the Committee, we would like to wish our members every success for the year ahead. May your hard work be rewarded in the most fantastic way.

Forthcoming dates

8 Mar	Handicap by Distance, The Priory CTC
5 Apr	Double Rise, East Yorkshire CSG
18-19 Apr	English Sporting, Orston SG
10 May	Sportrap, Orston SG
10 May	Universal Trench, Rugby & DTC
16-17 May	English Skeet, The Priory CTC
31 May	All Round, Nottingham & DGC

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE



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I would like to thank all those eagle eyed amongst us that noted the high levels of precognition with regards to the appointment of the 2020 Chair of the County committee. Hopes and ideas were printed as actions too soon there, sorry! I have my prescience ability firmly turned off now – so questions about who will win all the silverware this year will be met with a blank response!

The AGM held on Wednesday 15 January did indeed vote Simon Vogel into the position of Chair of the County committee. It also returned all those committee members who had agreed to stand for another year. Sad farewells were given to Bob Meadows, Catherine Foster and Laurie Cookson who did not stand this year. They were sent on their way with copious amounts of thanks for their hard work over their many years of voluntary service to county shooters. Warm welcomes were given to new committee members Colin Butler and Dave Grant-Innes, with assurances that they would not be asked to do anything too onerous. Simon and Colin were also voted to be Northants Regional reps, and will also represent the county at regional committee meetings.

County Competitions for 2020

In 2019 the County had roughly 400 CPSA members, of which 73 individual shooters entered the County competitions. One entered six, four entered five, one entered four, eight entered three, 17 entered two, and 42 entered one competition. This year the committee is working to think of ways to encourage more members into competitions, if you have any

ideas please email me or chat with Roy or Marty. Could this be the year you enter a competition?

The fixtures have been posted on the website and Facebook pages, but as always this early in the year they are liable to amendment as National and Regional fixtures are still in the process of being finalised – look to the Facebook page for up-to-date details. There have been some changes to the planning for this year to try to facilitate more shooters entering. Some competitions are being held on Thursday evenings, some on Saturdays and some being held over a whole weekend.

Regional Competitions

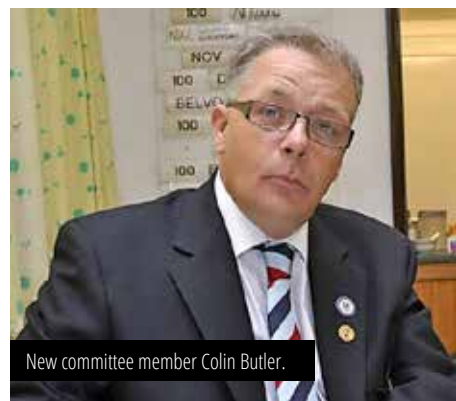
Last year the County entered into three of the six disciplines for the Inter-County Regional Director's Trophy and came last with 13 points. We were unable to field teams for ABT, DTL or FITASC. This year all the events are being held at Northampton Shooting Ground, Kegworth and Nottingham, with details on the county and East Midlands website. The County also entered teams for the national Inter-County, All-Round and Skeet competitions last year, with some level of success. I am sure that Roy would like to hear from you if you are interested in entering any Inter-County competitions, or if you fancy being a Team Manager this year.

Fixtures

There are no County fixtures for March, but the England selection dates are as below. ESP EM Selection Shoot at Sporting Targets, 21-22 March and ESL Selection Shoot 1 at Eriswell Lodge, 28-29 March.



New committee member Dave Grant-Innes.



New committee member Colin Butler.

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CPSA Chairman John Martin presenting the Overall Supreme Championship Award to the new Notts Vice Chair Darren Watkinson.



CPSA Chairman John Martin presenting the Ladies Supreme Championship Award to Megan Gamble.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE



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This will be the last county report written by me as I have stepped down from the Committee – I'd like to thank all those who have sent their success and photos to me over the last few years. I would also like to wish my successor good luck and happy reporting.

The first County Championship of 2020 will be the Single Barrel DTL, held at Nottingham Gun Club on Sunday 29 March. It would be great to start the season with a good attendance, so give the ground a call to get booked on.

Nottinghamshire Helice

Sunday 24 November was the final County Championship of the 2019 season and was the ZZ Helice at Rugby. Three competitors for Nottingham were only separated by two targets. Gordon Hodgkinson was the County and Veteran Champion finishing on 19, one target ahead of the previous champion and his brother Granville Hodgkinson on 18. Adrian Snell was the remaining Notts shooter who finished on 17. Well done to all of you on such a close fought championship. Huge thanks to John and the team at Rugby.

AGM Report from Notts Chairman

On 4 November we hosted the 29th Nottinghamshire AGM – I would like to thank all those that attended. After ratification of the minutes from the 2018 AGM, we held a minutes silence in respect for those that have departed during the last 12 months.

There was then a report from both the Chairman and Regional Director, during which the committee were thanked for all of their hard work during the last year. Thanks were also given to Nottingham & District Gun Club for hosting the 'have-a-go' night, which raised £560 for the Nottinghamshire Shooters.

Thanks were also given to Ken Rimington,

Julia Fell, Kieley Cooper and Gordon Hodgkinson who have stepped down from the committee, but over many years between them, have given so much to our County.

The committee then stood down and elections were opened for the following year, the positions were filled as follows. County Chairman Carl Smith, Vice Chair Darren Watkinson, Secretary John Martin, Treasurer David Sayer. Committee Members are Granville Hodgkinson, Emily Martin, Megan Gamble, Carol Parfremment, Ash Parfremment, Harvey Sharpstone, Russ Hufton, Robin Ellis and Michael Chiakli. The East Midlands Representatives will be Carl Smith and John Martin.

With no other business, the meeting was closed and the Supreme Championship winners were presented with their trophies and County clothing. After the presentation everyone moved from the conference room and into the main clubhouse for drinks and a buffet provided by Nottingham & District Gun Club, with thanks to Linda Hewkin for preparing all the food.

Carl Smith

County News and Fixtures

The new committee will be taking on roles at the first meeting in January so keep an eye on the website, Facebook and of course in this publication for fixture dates and contacts.

Forthcoming dates

8 Mar	100 DTL (Notts Vs Derbyshire Help for Heroes Charity Event) Nottingham & District GC
15 Mar	100 ESK (Notts Vs Derbyshire Help for Heroes Charity Event) Nottingham & District GC
29 Mar	100 Single-Barrel (Notts County Championship) Nottingham & District GC

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The Suffolk CPSA AGM was held on 21 January at Eriswell Lodge. We saw another year with a great turn out, thank you very much to all of those who came along. Throughout 2019 we had many accomplishments at the East Midlands shoots and managed to retain the Directors Trophy for another year – by an impressive 10-point lead! Our Senior team won two of the six events, and came Runners-up in a further two. Our Junior team won three of the events, with members of our Junior teams winning the individual High Gun in four of the events. It was also the first year a Helice shoot Inter-County was held in the Region, where Suffolk shooter Kelly Johnson took home the Ladies High Gun.

This year our county also moved to a new website, www.suffolkcpsa.co.uk, which is regularly updated for our shooters to keep in the know about what is happening in the County. If you have any photos from shoots or content you think may be beneficial, please feel free to send them across.

We would like to thank all of our county grounds for holding the shoots throughout the year, and our shooters for attending the events and making 2019 a successful year.

Supreme Champions 2019

This year we added a further four supreme County Champion titles, which cover the categories of Veterans, Juniors, Ladies and Colts. This year we saw 123 different shooters shoot at least one of the super-six



Colt Supreme Champion - Henry.



Ladies Supreme Champion - Melissa.



Presidents Cup Presentation.



Supreme Champion - Stuart.



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championships which count towards this title, which was great to see. This year's winners were: Overall Supreme champion Stuart Smith, Veteran supreme champion Adrian Cook, Ladies supreme champion Melissa Smith, Junior supreme champion Tom McGregor and Colt supreme champion Henry Lungley.

We would also like to congratulate this year's Runners-up which were: Overall Peter Mayhew, Veteran Robbie Manning, Ladies Charlotte Patten, Junior Henry Bevan and Colt Jasper Pearce.

It was great to see competition within the categories and it would be good to see as many people as possible turn out to compete for these titles in the future. If you have any questions about how this works please feel free to get in contact.

Team Patches and County Champion Patches

At this year's AGM, the County patches and County champion patches were handed out to

all of those shooters who were in attendance. If you are due any of these please contact a member of the committee and we will get these passed along to you if you haven't already received them.

2020 Committee

The 2020 committee were elected at the AGM and are as follows: County Chair Daren Parsons, Vice Chair Stuart Smith, Secretary Melissa Smith, Treasurer Tina Henshaw. We would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Martyn Beverley, who was our County treasurer for an incredible 21 year's. I am sure you will all join us in wishing him well for the future, and thanking him for his dedication.

This year's committee members are Paul Romaine, Barry Randall, Josh Nunn, Dennis Meekings, Adrian Cook, Chris Baker, Mark Hurrell, Ben Lungley and Steve Denny. We would like to thank Karl Patten and Andy

Coppen, our outgoing committee members, for their work and dedication to our county during their year's on the committee.

Presidents Cup

At this year's AGM we announced the addition of the Presidents Cup, which will be awarded over the coming year's for special contributions to Suffolk.

This year we thought it was only right that it be awarded to Richard Hails, our previous Chairman who we sadly lost in 2019. He was a dedicated official of the County for over 30 year's, and his passion for shooting and was a huge part of his life and he is incredibly missed. We invited members of his family to the meeting to be presented with this award on his behalf.

Our county dates should be released by the time this issue arrives, so to keep up to date please visit our website. We look forward to seeing everyone in 2020!

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17 Nov 19: Ashley Sporting School

Congratulations to Martin Elworthy for becoming the first person to shoot a perfect 100 sporting targets at Ashley Shooting Ground on 17 November.

Devon AGM 2020

The AGM was held at The Waie Inn, Zeal Monachorum on Wednesday 15 January, our thanks go to all the members who attended.



The Devon Committee Members for 2020 are Chairman Richard Chapple, Vice Chairman Robert Dietz, Secretary Marilyn Chapple, Treasurer Natasha Lovell. Committee members are Andrew Harris, Paul Rendell, Martin Burge, Duane McCulloch, Morley Yeandle, David Barnes, Jason Bruckner, Tony Boyle, and Charlie Avery. All members contact details are on the Devon CPSA website and Facebook.

Devon Championships and Selection shoots

At the time of writing this, the dates and venues have not yet been confirmed for 2020. A list of dates and venues will be posted on the Devon CPSA website and Facebook, or for a copy contact Marilyn Chapple.

Please send any news and photos to Marilyn Chapple, Devon CPSA Secretary. Tel: 01769 540501, e-mail: marilynachapple@btopenworld.com



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2020 Great news

Young Alex Head has been awarded the John Newton Memorial Trophy for his outstanding shooting and competition wins in 2019. The South West Regional Committee study all the young talent showing promise in all the Counties that the South West CPSA committee oversee. Comparing his shooting skills against Juniors from Dorset, Cornwall, Devon, Wiltshire, IOW, Somerset and Avon, to come out on top is a great reward for this up-and-

coming lad. We believe Luke Elliott was the last Hampshire Junior awarded this accolade. Alex has been coached by his dad Andy Head. Andy, who also has won many competitions over the years, has been a great help to 14-year-old Alex. We have seen only a few parents prepared to bear the cost of supporting Junior shots over the years and now the spotlight has fallen on Alex, who

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obtained second in C class at the British Open. I hope the sports manufacturers will now help him with some sponsorship and get their name associated with this future champion.

Richard nails it again

Our very own Hampshire CPSA Vice Chairman Richard Faulds MBE nailed the British Open yet again. High Lodge was the setting for the 2019 British Sporting Championships. The targets were set to a high level, but when has that ever put Richard off? They could put a trap on the moon and he would still hit them! To retain a title like the British Open is an amazing achievement, but when you look into what Richard has won over the years in so many different disciplines, it is truly amazing. We are very lucky to have this level of sportsman in our County.

Hampshire Championship Dates

The final venues and dates for the Hampshire Championships are now confirmed and will appear on the website by the time you read this article. We hope there will be many of you prepared to enter these Championships to rack up the points towards the Hampshire Supreme Championships trophy. One of the first will be at Fareham CTC Sunday 29 March DTL, then Saturday 11 April the All-Round. This will be followed by Saturday 25 April ABT, then on 10 May English Skeet. Please keep an eye on the Hampshire website for the other trap and sporting discipline dates and venues.

Fareham CTC Investing

Like many clubs Fareham, CTC offer the chance to get into our sport on the cheap with lessons/instruction from just £12.50 with everything included. These lessons are so popular the club has re-invested fees received by knocking down the old original steel pool shoot structure and building a truly superb five-stand advanced shooting plus area in its place. This refurbishment was carried out by club member/builder Mark Bryant.

This advanced area is dedicated to teaching the tougher targets, sporting rules, button/trap operation and scoring. From the off the students shoot progress is recorded on a cleverly designed shoot progress card, noting the level of safety gained, gun fit and targets shot, to name just a few. The first visit to the club will start on a second purpose-built five stand beginners area, yet another fully undercover shoot area and again dedicated to beginners.

So once again I find myself in the odd position of writing this report without our AGM having occurred. However by the time you read this, the AGM will have happened and we should have a new committee for 2020, the County Champions will have received their trophies.

So firstly, a big thank you to all the serving members of the 2019 Committee who gave their time freely to help organise everything that goes on within the County and with the South West and Inter-County events. Also a thank you to those Somerset shooters that turned up to the AGM, as your input in to how you want the County to be run is always appreciated.

There's not a huge amount to report on really, but we are busy finalising the dates for the forthcoming County Championships and will get these released as soon as possible.

As always, if there is anything that you want to raise with the Committee then please contact any of the new Committee members or myself on the above email.

WILTSHIRE



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County Championships

This year we plan to run 12 County Championships, one more than last year, with the addition of a Compak Sporting event. As we get the dates we will advertise them in *Pull!* on Facebook and in various gun shops throughout the County.

Sporting Challenge

We will be running the Sporting Challenge again this year, again over five grounds with your best three scores counting towards your final score.

Inter-County Championships

With your support, we intend to enter as many Inter-County competitions as we can find teams for this year.

AGM

This year's AGM was well attended, held at the George and Dragon in Potterne on Wednesday 15 January 2020. The Chairman's report is copied below:

'Good evening and welcome to the 2020 AGM. Firstly may I thank you all for attending this evening, I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the officers and committee for their continued support and congratulate all those who have been successful in winning and competing in the competitions held in 2019.

'Last year we managed to enter teams into several County events, with success for teams and individuals. Well done and thank you to all those who took part. We hope to continue to build on the success by advertising in the *Pull!* magazine, on Facebook and through posters around the Shooting Grounds and Gun Shops. As a committee we will try to get more team entries this coming year, but we will need your support. If you are thinking about or wanting to take part, please speak to any of the committee members.

'The County Championships were well attended during 2019 and we hope to have the 2020 program sorted soon and advertised wherever possible.

'The Wiltshire Sporting Challenge for 2019 was once again well supported. A big thanks for all of the sponsors and grounds for their continued support with this event, we look forward to running the event again in 2020 with the current five venues.

The committee and I would like to thank all the grounds, referees, scorers and all ground staff that work so hard to make it possible for us to continue taking part in the sport. I would also like to thank the staff at the George and Dragon for allowing us to hold our meetings and AGM here.

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'We are always looking for new members to join us on the committee and bring new ideas – the efforts put in by those who give time and effort voluntarily and whose only reward from this is to see events run successfully. If you are willing to help the committee then please put yourself forward and help generate new ideas to move positively forward. Any of the committee will gladly talk to you regarding

the efforts being made to increase enjoyment within the sport.

'I feel that with all the support we have had from everyone in helping and competing, that 2019 has been a successful one, and we look forward to 2020 being just as successful.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all every success with the 2020 season.'

Other News

Congratulations go to Paul Sadler for winning both the English and British Disabled Standing gun with scores of 103ex120 and 102ex120 respectively.

Social Media

Wiltshire CPSA is also on Facebook. Please feel free to join the 'Wiltshire CPSA' group.

SOUTH EAST

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The game season has been and gone and we are now looking forward to our Clay Shooting season, with lots of competitions in all disciplines ahead of us all.

With that said, the Bucks Committee are looking for more disciplines to be involved in – not only within the committee but in the arrangements of County shoots. We are looking to push the Trap and Skeet disciplines, so please do get in touch if you'd like to be involved. We are also wanting to encourage all shooters to take part in our Bucks County shoots throughout the year – these shoots are put on especially for us and are there for us all to enjoy.

Please continue to follow our Buckinghamshire Facebook page for further updates on shooting date, results and local news.

After the sad loss of George back in October we wanted to take a minute to thank and mention everyone who donated towards his funeral. The donations included our Bucks Committee who donated £200, and an even bigger thank you for a hugely generous donation of £980.00 made by Mark Blamey and his family. It's lovely to see how our Bucks Shooters came together at a very sad time.

The CPSA Awards saw our Ladies World Compak Champion, Amy Easeman earnt herself the CPSA Shooter of the Year! I know this goes without saying but, what an amazing achievement for our very talented shooter! Huge well done Amy, so deserved!

Not much to report in Essex this month. The start of the year is usually a quiet one, as and when they are announced the selection shoot dates will be written in here for all disciplines, as well as being uploaded to the website. The season is nearly upon us so I would like to wish everyone the best of luck for the forthcoming season.

Forthcoming dates

29 Mar Essex Sporting Team Selection Shoot, Dartford Clay Shooting Club

HERTFORDSHIRE



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Young Shots – Bethany Norton

Bethany from Hertford started shooting a couple of year's ago, initially having some lessons at LVSA with Ken Rist. Bethany went on to shoot in the British Schools and Young Shots at Atkin Grant and Lang back in May 2019, she finished third in the U14 Girls category.

Bethany shoots a Browning XS pro 12 gauge, using Flocchi FBLu cartridges.

Bethany has secured her place in youth shooting history by winning The Schools Challenge Grand Final and taking home the biggest prize in Junior clay shooting – an MG car. She had to finish in the top five to compete in a Sportrap style super-final, where five Girls shot for the top prize. As winner of the TSC, Bethany is now brand ambassador for The Schools Challenge, The Oxford Gun Company and Olivia Tullett Clothing.

Her aspirations for 2020 are to start competing in more CPSA registered shoots, particularly Skeet and DTL and begin working towards training in Olympic Disciplines. Returning to the British Schools and Young Shots competition and hoping for the first place. She has a couple of years left in the Colts category and I expect will move up the classifications in Sporting, DTL and Skeet during 2020.

We have a limited group of only six Colt shooters and 13 Juniors in Hertfordshire, so it is great to see so many of them achieving great results.

Calling all Juniors and Colts

The Herts committee sponsor the entry fees for Junior and Colts for Inter-County shoots, so put your name forward for a slot on the various teams in 2020.

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Bethany Norton.

SAM GREEN, 2019 FITASC WORLD SPORTING CLAYS CHAMPION



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New Ground in Herts

A new ground for Phil Moss in Hertfordshire has been announced as the latest CPSA registered ground – Redricks Sporting Clays in Sawbridgeworth. Keep an eye out for fixtures announcements.

Stories and comments

Please send in any stories or comments to the Herts Committee. If you wish to be considered for one of the Hertfordshire teams please contact us.

Herts CPSA Committee

If you are interested in helping out please let us know, the Herts committee is a small group and we struggle to get shooters involved so any help is appreciated.

Forthcoming dates

5 Mar Universal Trench, Nuthampstead Shooting Ground

OXFORDSHIRE



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I hope you enjoyed the festivities and are all ready for the 2020 Clay season.

We ended the 2019 on a slightly disappointing shoot at Northampton due to illness. The All Round didn't run as planned and apologies to those who turned out to experience it. Thanks to Martine for battling on with such limited ground staff. Congratulations to Henry Mitchell for winning the County All Round Championship with a great score of 94ex100. Well done to Stuart King with 91ex100, placing him second and Julian Freeman 90ex100 third. The Ladies title was won by Charlotte Allen with an 83ex100. The Vets title was won by Kevin Durrant with a 76ex100, and finally the Junior title was won by Connor Durrant. Great shooting all!

At the same Championship we ran our Oxfordshire Challenge Trophy. Thanks to all Oxfordshire shooters who supported this and took part. It was won by Henry Mitchell who will collect his winnings of £500 at the Oxfordshire Cup Presentation Dinner on Saturday 28 March at The Holt Hotel, Steeple Aston.

Stuart King won second place and he will collect £400. Equal third places went to Joe Robbins and Karl Field who will each collect £250. Fifth place went to Matt Hance and he will collect £125, sixth place went to Roy Cherry and he will collect £100. Finally, equal seventh place was shared by Steve Cox and Tony Robbins and both will collect £37. The

Ladies winner was Charlotte Allen, she will collect £100. Kevin Durrant wins the Vets Class, collecting £100. Connor Durrant won the Junior Category and he too will collect £100. Hopefully we will see all prize winners at the dinner to collect their winnings and enjoy the celebrations.

Last issue of *Pull!* Magazine released the top 20 Shooters of each discipline. Oxfordshire shooters did really well this year. Congratulations must go to the following: Tim Thorntons Vets Sportrap, eighth. Matt Hance English Sporting, 14th. Cheryl Hall English Sporting, first. Henry Mitchell, Skeet, eighth. Karl Field, FITASC tenth. Matt Hance 11th, Chris Broomfield 12th, Roy Cherry 16th. Cheryl Hall, Compak Sporting, 18th. Amazing results, keep the standards up.

Tickets will be available for the Presentation Dinner and Dance from Steve Cox at Banbury Gunsmiths, or message the Oxfordshire CPSA Facebook page or email me and I will arrange tickets for you. All the committee members will have a number of tickets, so stop them at shoots and buy them!

Don't forget to email me your results, photos and details of your achievements. Happy safe shooting everyone!

Forthcoming dates

28 Mar Oxfordshire Presentation Dinner and Dance, The Holt Hotel, Steeple Aston OX25 5QQ

SURREY



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There are no Championships to report on at this time of year, so we have included a review of the successes of last year.

2019 was a very good year for Surrey shooters. Four of our Juniors performed well at International level. Surrey Junior Owen Lewis had a great result in the OSK Grand Prix at Jarapalo, Malaga in November. 16-year-old Owen shot really well in the final, scoring 49/60 to take the Junior gold medal by two clear targets. Many congratulations to Owen from the Surrey Committee.

Maddy Boyd competed in various events including the Canadian Open OSK where she won gold in the Ladies and was placed in the overall top ten. Back in Great Britain, Maddy won gold in the British Shooting Grand Final in Wales, and was placed in the top five British women shooters over the season – not bad for a Junior!

Jensen King made the Helice British team for the first time at the European



Fletcher & Jensen.



Maddy Boyd flash clay final.

Championship, following in the footsteps of his brother Fletcher. Both came away with a team gold, Fletcher also won bronze in the Junior competition. Jensen went on to win a bronze in the World Cup.

There has been a resurgence of Trap shooting in the County, and the Surrey DTL Team won the Inter-Counties event for the first time since it was first awarded in 1973! Well done team – no pressure but we expect you to retain it this year.

There was a good turnout of Surrey shooters for the ABT event, and so we have re-instated that as a Supreme points event for this year.

Notable Senior Achievements

At the other end of the age categories, Chip Smith made the top ten super final at the World Sporting Championship in Ireland, and won the bronze medal in the Veteran class.

Jo Watson-Hopkinson represented Great Britain in Helice for the first time taking home a bronze in the Ladies European Championship as well as a team silver. Karen Allen qualified for the England Team for DTL and succeeded in taking home a team gold in the Home Internationals. Rachel Parish has returned to Surrey to add Commonwealth Games experience and strengthen our Trap team even more!

SAM GREEN, 2019 FITASC WORLD SPORTING CLAYS CHAMPION



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Family day

As mentioned in the last edition, the Surrey Committee are planning a Family Day with subsidised have-a-go stands manned by CPSA qualified instructors. We have decided to postpone the date until the weather cheers up and we can enjoy the facilities at the Star Gun Club. The competition sporting layout will also be open for the more experienced family members with trophies provided. Hot food will also be available. Please see the website for news and updates.

Surrey Supreme

Full listings of points and positions are on the website. Glen Boxall won by a massive margin after entering all but two events, gaining points in each. Well done Glen and thank you for your support. Other results were Senior Glen Boxall – 79 points, Runner-up Andy Smith – 48 points, third Sarah White – 44 points, top Lady Sarah White – 44 points, top Veteran Peter Saich – 40 points, top Junior Billy Greenwood – 25 points, top Colt Jensen King – 14 points.

Thanks to Douglas Millard for collecting all the Trophies and arranging engraving.

Don't forget to look at the website for full reports and other news and of course follow us on Facebook.

Forthcoming dates

12 Apr	Olympic Skeet, NCSC Bisley, Supreme points event
26 Apr	Sportrap, Southdown, Supreme points event

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Note to Sussex shooters

Any Sussex Shooters who would like to have their achievements listed in *Pull!* magazine

please send them to the Sussex Committee or your team selector.

Will Fenner

Will Fenner, one of our best Sussex Juniors, is continuing to shoot brilliantly with recent sporting scores of 99/100 at Willow Farm on 5 January and 96/100 at Owls Lodge on 27 December. Well Done Will.

Matt Lawrence

Farnham CTC held the Stephen Halfacre memorial shoot (ABT) which ended with a four-way shoot-off on 94. Sussex Trap shooter Matt Lawrence held his nerve in very poor light conditions to take the Trophy and High Gun. Well Done Matt.

Tim Woodhams

Liz Salmon

Congratulations to Liz Salmon, who qualified for the Rizzini Series at Honesberie Shooting School earlier this year. The final was held in November and Liz narrowly missed out on the Ladies shoot-off by just one target. Liz was placed third and pleased to collect 750 Gamebore cartridges.

Sussex Championship Fixtures 2020

Below are the dates that have been arrangement at time of publication, once completed they will all be on the Sussex CPSA website.

Sussex County Championship dates

28-29 Mar	Sportrap, Southdown
12 Apr	Olympic Skeet at NCSC
26 Apr	Non Toxic Skeet, Kingsferry GC
24 May	All Round, Fareham
25 May	Side/Side English Sporting, Southdown
31 May	Helice, Invicta
6 Jun	ABT, Fareham
20 Jun	Single Barrel, Bisley GC
21 Jun	UT, NCSC
28 Jun	English Skeet at NCSC
5 Jul	OT, NCSC
16 Aug	DTL, Bisley GC
31 Aug	Compak, Southdown
31 Aug	English Sporting, Southdown
17-20 Sep	FITASC, Southdown
22 Nov	Skeet Doubles at NCSC
TBH	Double Rise



Liz Salmon.

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Congratulations to Paul Bailey for winning CPSA disabled shooter of the year at The CPSA Awards.

No shoots to report on this month as we are still in January – the close season for the group. The committee have been holding monthly conference calls and we can confirm that we now have internet banking and are about to release a new improved website. It will now mean that subscriptions are to be paid by transfer only now please, except in exceptional circumstances. Subs are due for 2020 so please contact Sam to arrange payment. We are in discussions with various grounds across the countries to arrange shoots but can confirm:



March – Nuthampstead. To shoot an All Round including Sporting, DTL, Skeet and Olympic Trap. Exact date to be finalised.

21 April – Eriswell Lodge. We are participating in a 100-bird charity shoot and hog roast. We will put in teams for the shoot but to know numbers in advance.

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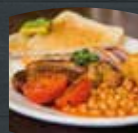
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- CSP, ESP, FSP, STR
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- Pool shoots at Sporting events. New stands & targets at all events. Fair but testing targets. See our website for our County, Regional & National Championships. Small selection of gun oil, hats, cleaning & shells if you have forgotten.

A QUORN GUN CLUB ☕ 📄**MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:00-12:00**

Closed January and most of February, see fixtures list on website for shooting dates. Open fortnightly

- quorngunclub.co.uk • 07867 071 652 • ESP • 50 target ESP only.

LINCOLNSHIRE**P EAST OF ENGLAND SHOOTING GROUND** ☕ ♿ 📄 📞**MO-WE CLOSED. TH-SU 10:00-16:30**

eesg.co.uk • 01406 540362 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, CSP, STR

R GRIMSTHORPE ESTATE SHOOTING GROUND ☕ ♿ 📄 📞**MO-TU CLOSED. WE-SU 09:30-17:00**

grimsthorpes shootingground.co.uk • 01778 591128 • ESP • 100 ESP Practice. High Tower available to book.

**R THE PRIORY CLAY TARGET CENTRE** ☕ ♿ 📄 📞**MO TU TH CLOSED. WE FR SA SU 09:30-16:00.**

01406351451 • Registered shoots every weekend

- AR, ABT, CSP, DB, DTL, ESK, HBD, OSK

NORFOLK**P MID NORFOLK SHOOTING GROUND** ☕ ♿ 📄 📞**MO,SU CLOSED. TU-SA 10:00-16:00. WE 10:00-18:00**

Opening hours shown are for the shop, air gun and archery ranges. Shooting times vary; please see website

- Summer: late night Wed & Thurs. Winter: late night Wed. Clay shooting every other Sat.
- norfolkshooting.co.uk • 01603860436 • AR, ABT, CSP, DB, DTL, ESK, ESP
- Air gun range, Archery range, Private meeting room. Shooting masterclasses & workshops.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE**P NORTHAMPTON SHOOTING GROUND** ☕ ♿ 📄 📞**MO-WE, FR CLOSED. SA-SU FROM 10:00. TH FROM 13:00**

northamptonshootingground.co.uk • 01604 642252

- DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, DR, STR

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE**A COCKETT FARM SHOOTING GROUND** ☕ ♿ 📄 📞**MO-WE, FR-SA 10:00-17:00. SU 10:00-15:00. TH CLOSED.**

Every day but Sunday, close at dusk or 17:00 whichever is earlier. Late night shooting on Wednesday from April to September.

- cockettfarm.com • 01623 882244 • AR, ABT, CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, FSP

P NOTTINGHAM & DISTRICT GUN CLUB ☕ ♿ 📄 📞**MO, TU, FR CLOSED. WE-TH 10:00-DUSK. SA 10:00-17:00. SU 09:00-16:00**

Registered shoots every Su. For events/appointments on Mon, Tue & Fri please contact the ground.

- nottsclayshooting.co.uk • 01623 883798 • CSP, DTL, ESP, HBD, STR
- Function Room, Conference & Banqueting, Licensed B Golf Course and CL Certified Caravan Site.

P NOTTINGHAM SPORTING CLAYS ☕ ♿ 📄 📞**MO, TU, FR CLOSED. WE-TH 10:00-DUSK. SA 10:00-17:00. SU 09:00-16:00**

To arrange events/appts on Mon, Tue or Fri just contact the Ground.

- nottsclayshooting.co.uk • 01623 883798
- CSP, DTL, ESP, FSP, HBD, STR
- Sporting targets changed every fortnight.

P ORSTON SHOOTING GROUND ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-TU CLOSED. WE-SU 09:00-17:00
 orston.com • 01949 851181 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, STR, FSP, CSP, HD.

SUFFOLK

R BARROW SPORTING CLAYS ♿ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:00-14:00
 100 ESP Registered Competition - usually the 1st and 3rd Sun of each month. Runs all year round. • 07912 497000 • ESP, FSP, STR

R ERISWELL LODGE ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-TU CLOSED. WE 09:30-20:30. TH-SU 09:30-15:30
 On Wednesdays in Winter practice closes at 3.30pm with evening floodlit competitions from 5pm!
 • On Wednesdays in Summer shooting is until dusk or 20:30, please see website for info. • eriswell-lodge.com
 • 01638534045 • AR, ABT, CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, FITASC, HBD, STR • New clubhouse will be opening in 2020, with conferencing facilities and a gun room!
 • FITASC & Compak can be set up as required.
 Simulated driven game area and rabbit skeet also available.

P HIGHWAYMANS SHOOTING GROUND ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
 highwaymansshootingground.co.uk • 07836 643436 • ESP, FSP, STR • See fixtures for Sunday hours.

P HIGH LODGE LEISURE LTD ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-SA 10:00-17:00
 Sun Hours vary as we are open some Sun from Sept - Mar Call for opening times. Shoot till dusk every Wed from Apr - Aug, check with ground on dates. • highlodge.co.uk • 01986 784347 • ABT, CSP, DTL, ESP, FSP, STR • 19 x onsite Holiday Lodge Accommodation some with Hot Tubs, Golf Course, Air Rifle Range, Fishing, Archery, Sunday Carvery.

SOUTH WEST

CORNWALL

R COUNTY GUN CLUB ☕ 📞 📧
MO-SU CLOSED
 shootingincornwall.co.uk • 07979 696179 • See fixture on website • AR, ESK, ESP

R NORTH CORNWALL SHOOTING GROUND ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-WE, FR CLOSED. TH 11:00-16:30. SA 09:30-17:30
 Opening & closing times may vary according to weather, time of year & competitions • 077901 58109 • ABT, DR, DTL, STR, UT



DEVON

P SOUTH WEST SHOOTING SCHOOL ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-SA 10:30-17:00. SU 10:30-13:00
 Registered shoots every second Sun per month
 • southwestshooting.co.uk • 01271 864784
 • CSP, ESP, STR • Clubhouse and under cover shelters, 40 shooting positions, eighty plus traps in operation
 • Cartridges available with shotgun licence or bring your own, fibre or plastic.

HAMPSHIRE

P OWLS LODGE SHOOTING SCHOOL ☕ 📞 📧
MO, WE, FR-SU CLOSED. TU, TH 10:00-18:00
 Open till dusk if before 18:00 • olss.co.uk • 07734 200280 • DTL, ESK, ESP, OTR, OSK, STR, FSP, CSP, DR, UTR

SOMERSET

P BROOK BANK ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-WE CLOSED. TH-SA 11:00-16:30. SU 10:30-15:30
 Check website for last minute updates.
 • brookbankshooting.co.uk • 07773 488018
 • ABT, DTL, ESP, OTR, UT • Gunsmith on site • Cartridge restriction applies Thur, Fri & Sat - only Hull & Fiocchi permitted. No steel allowed.

R PODIMORE (DOUBLE BARRELLED) ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-TU, TH-SA CLOSED. WE 10:00-16:00. SU 10:30-15:30
 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month Please check website for details • podimore-shooting-school.co.uk • 07888 697401 • ESP, FITASC, STR • All weather undercover shooting positions, Fully catered clubhouse, Toilet Block, Spacious Hard Standing Car Park.

R SOMERSET SHOOTING GROUND ☕
MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:00-16:00
 Only open when a shoot is being held. Registered shoot held on the last Sunday of each month. • 07860 561677 • CSP, ESK, ESP, FSP, STR • Toilets, Clubhouse, Outside seating area, Televised results, Different stand layout each month • See Facebook and Instagram for fixtures, results and news.

WILTSHIRE

P HAM CROSS SHOOTING GROUND 📞
SA 10:00-15:00
 Open an alternate Saturdays, please call for details.
 • cpsa.co.uk/clubs/ham-cross-shooting-ground/206
 • 07711 242749 • ESP, FSP, STR

P WIDDINGTON SHOOT ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-WE CLOSED. TH-SA 10:00-18:00. SU 10:00-14:00
 widdingtonshoot.co.uk • 01980 630990 • ESP • Open Bank Holiday Mondays 10:00-14:00.

SOUTH EAST

BERKSHIRE

R FOUR COUNTIES CLAY TARGET CLUB ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:00-15:00
 facebook.com/4counties/ • 07909 864027 • ESP

R ROYAL BERKSHIRE SHOOTING SCHOOL ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-SA 08:00-DUSK. SU CLOSED
 rbss.co.uk • 01491 672900 • ESP • Food available 9:00-14:00

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

P THE OXFORD GUN COMPANY ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-FR 09:00-17:30. SA 10:00 16:00. SU CLOSED
 Saturday last cards 15:15 Shooting stops at 16:00
 • oxfordguncompany.co.uk • 01844 238308 • DTL, ESP, • limited disabled access, Drinks and snacks available Mon - Thurs Cafe Open Fri & Sat for cooked breakfasts hot and cold lunches.

P E.J.CHURCHILL GROUP LTD ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-SA 8:30-17:30. SU CLOSED
 Late night shooting in summer • ejchurchill.com
 • 01494 883227 • DTL, ESK, ESP, OSK, FSP, CSP, STR, DR • Fibre wad only.

GREATER LONDON

P WEST LONDON SHOOTING SCHOOL ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO-FR 08:00-18:00. SA 08:00-16:30. SU CLOSED
 shootingschool.co.uk • 02088451377 • Summer: From 26th March, MO-FR 08:00-18:00. Winter: From 29th October, MO-FR 8:00-17:00 • ESP • 100 & 200 Metre Rigby Rifle Ranges.

HERTFORDSHIRE

R A1 SHOOTING GOUND ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO TU CLOSED. WE-SA 10:00-16:00. SU 10:00-13:00
 Wednesday to Saturday in the winter months we are open until 16:00, when the clocks change again we are open until 18:00. • a1sg.co.uk • 0208 441 9986
 • ESP, OT • Individual and group bookings available. See website.

P ATKIN GRANT & LANG ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
MO CLOSED. TU-SA 09:00-17:00. SU 10:00-13:30
 agl-uk.com • 01582 849382 • ESP Registered Shoot on the last Friday of every month. Shop open until 5:30pm • Open until 20:00 on Wednesdays throughout the summer • ESP • Catering Available Wednesday-Sunday.

R LEA VALLEY SHOOTING ASSOCIATION ☕ 📞 📧
MO, TH CLOSED. TU WE FR, SA 10:00-16:00. SU 10:00-13:00

Sunday Shoots on 1st & 3rd Sundays only, Thursday evening shoots May - September • lvsa.org.uk
 • 01992 552011 • ABT, CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, FSP
 • Covered Shooting Points, Qualified Instructors, Have a Go and group sessions by appointment, Catering is not available every day, Pay & Play every Wednesday afternoon.

A MORETON MASSEY GUN CLUB ☕ ♿ 📞
MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:30-13:00
 07855 403902 • ABT, ESK, ESP • Men's and women's toilets, canteen for full English breakfast, sandwiches, tea / coffee etc.

P NUTHAMPSTEAD SHOOTING GROUND ☕ ♿ 📞 📧
WE 10:00-16:00. SA-SU 10:00-17:00
 nuthampsteadshootingground.co.uk • 01763 848172
 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OTR, OSK, FSP, CSP, HEL, UTR, STR

R REDRICKS SPORTING CLAYS ☕ 📞
MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:00-14:00
 07836 676654 • Last entry 14:00 during Winter. • CSP, ESP, FITASC, STR

KENT

P DARTFORD CLAY SHOOTING CLUB



WE 10:00-16:00. TH 10:00-20:00. FR-SU 10:00-17:00
Winter hours in effect from late October: TH-SU 10:00-16:00 • dartfordclayshootingclub.com • 01322 311001
• DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OTR, STR, OSK, FSP, CSP, DR, UTR

A DOVER CLAY PIGEON CLUB



MO-SA CLOSED. SU 08:30-12:00
07932 011287 • ESP

A MARTIN GORSE WOOD CLAY PIGEON CLUB



MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:00-14:00
Not open every week • martingorse.co.uk • 01304 813101 • Open to members and non-members.
Supervised Have-a-go available. • Felt/Fibre wads only.

P WEST KENT SHOOTING SCHOOL



MO-FR 10:00-17:00. SA-SU CLOSED
westkentshooting.co.uk • 01892834306 • As the light fades we will close 15:00/16:00 – please call to check
• ESK, ESP

A WILLOW FARM SHOOTING GROUND



TU-FR 09:00-17:00. SA 09:00-16:00. SU 10:00-14:00. MO CLOSED
100 Sporting Competition every Sunday (Last Entry 12:45) Winter closing Tuesday to Saturday 16:00
• willowfarmshootingground.co.uk • 01233 758703
• CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, OSK

OXFORDSHIRE

A GREENFIELD ENTERTAINMENT



MO-SU 10:30-14:00
Closed in Nov-Dec, Open Shoots every other Sunday
• greenfieldentertainment.co.uk • 01869 354949
• ESP • See fixtures website. In association with Magnolia Park Golf and Country Club, Best Western Hotel, Banquet Hall, Bar, Restaurant, Meeting Room
• Occasional FITASC and Compak layouts.

R THE OXFORDSHIRE SHOOTING SCHOOL



MO, SU CLOSED. TU-SA 09:00-17:00
Registered shoot on the second Friday of every month • theoxfordshireschool.co.uk • 01608 690866
• ESP • Catering available Friday and Saturdays • Fibre wad only.

SURREY

R HORNE CLAY PIGEON CLUB



MO-SA CLOSED. SU 10:00-15:00
STARTS 10.00 Last Entries 14.00 at Court Farm Ground
• clayandcountry.com • 07711 332097 • ESP
• Stag, Hen, Company Days, Private Events Available by appointment Mon-Sat, Fully Mobile Simulated Game Shooting • see website and go to Fixtures to see directions.

R BISLEY GUN CLUB



MO-FR CLOSED. SAT 08:30-15:00. SU 08:30-16:00
thebisleygunclub.com • 07713 762928 • Open 1st, 3rd, 5th weekends of every month. Sat a.m. Reg, practice from 12:00. Sun a.m. Reg Competition (Must pre-book) • DTL

A GATWICK CLAY SHOOTING SCHOOL



MO-SA CLOSED. SU 10:00-13:00
gatwickclayshootingschool.com • 07769701842 • DTL, ESK, ESP • Shoots on Sundays, coaching on Saturdays by appointment • Disabled access to Sporting and DTL, but not to clubhouse or toilets.

R HORNE CLAY PIGEON CLUB



MO-SA CLOSED. SU 10:00-15:00
clayandcountry.com • 07711 332097 • ESP

P NATIONAL CLAY SHOOTING CENTRE



MO CLOSED. TU-SU 09:00-16:00
nsc-clays.co.uk • 01483 797666 • DTL, ESK, ABT, OTR, OSK, UTR, SKD

SUSSEX

P SOUTHDOWN GUN CLUB LTD



MO-TU CLOSED. WE-SU 10:00-17:30
southdowngunclub.co.uk • 01903 877555 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, FSP, CSP, HEL, DR, STR

P NORTALL CLAY PIGEON CLUB



WE, SA-SU 10:00-17:00. MO-TU, TH-FR CLOSED
nortallcpc.co.uk • 01825 791783 • DTL, ESP
• Opening days vary, please see nortallcpc.co.uk/
Fixtures or call for details.

A MILL FARM CLAY PIGEON CLUB



MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:00-14:00
We are open once a fortnight on a Sunday • 07790498435 • ESK, ESP, STR • Can put together layouts for novice and experienced shooters and cater for groups of up to 200.

A POLOWOOD SHOOTING GROUND



MO, WE-FR CLOSED. TU, SA-SU OPEN
Open shooting events 9:30 - 14:00. Alternate Sundays throughout the year. Tuesdays from April - Oct 12:00 - Dusk • claypigeonshootingbrighton.co.uk
• 07818203871 • CSP

NON-ENGLAND

CHANNEL ISLANDS

R CRABBE CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING CLUB



MO-SA 11:00. SU 10:00-13:00
07797 718459 • ESK practice Friday 2pm, ESK and DTL alternate Saturday 2pm, Sporting shoot every Sunday morning 10am • AR, DTL, ESK, ESP, OSK, OTR

R LECQ CLAY TARGET CLUB



SA 13:00-17:00. SU 09:30-13:00
50 Bird Sporting every Sunday except month end which is Sporting 100 • lecqclaytargetclub.com • 07797 717940 • ABT, CSP, ESK, ESP, STR, UT

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R AYRE CLAY TARGET CLUB



MO-FR CLOSED. SA 13:00-16:00. SU 10:00-14:00
ayreclaytargetclub.com • Practice Wednesday evenings April-September - Please check our website and Facebook pages for updates • ABT, DTL, ESK, ESP, OSK, OTR, STR

R ISLE OF MAN CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING CLUB



MO-FR CLOSED. SA 10:00-14:00. SU 10:00-16:00
Practice on Sat mornings, Open for practice on Tuesday evenings. May until September • iomclays.com • 07624 460785 • ABT, DTL, ESP, OSK, STR



SCOTLAND

P BISLEY AT BRAIDWOOD



MO CLOSED. TU-SA 09:00-17:30. SU 10:00-16:00
Late Night from 24 Apr to 18 Sept 2019 • bisleyshooting.co.uk/bisley-at-braidwood • 01835 870280 • CPS, ESP, FSP, STR

WALES

A FERNDAL SHOOTING CLUB



MO-WE, FR, SU CLOSED. TH 12:00-19:00. SA 09:00-16:00
Open Practise • ferndalshooting.club • 07771 603989
• ESP

P FAUXDEGLA SHOOTING GROUND



TH-SU 10:00-17:00. MO, TU CLOSED. WE 10:00-20:00
fauxdegla.co.uk • 01978 790198 • STR, OSK, FSP, DR, UTR, DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OTR

A LEADBROOK HALL SHOOTING GROUND



MO-SA CLOSED. SU 10:30-15:30
First gun 10:30, last entry 13:30 • leadbrookclays.com • 07977 624358 • ESP • Open every second Sunday and fifth Sunday

P MID WALES SHOOTING CENTRE



SUN, MO CLOSED. TU-FR 10:00-16:00. SAT 10:00-13:00
midwalesshootingcentre.com • 01686 430654 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, FSP, DR, STR

R NORTH WALES SHOOTING SCHOOL



SU, MO CLOSED. TU-FR 09:00-16:30. SA 09:30-15:45
nwshootingschool.co.uk • 01244 812219 • CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, OT, STR

P SOUTH WALES 2000 S.G



TU-SU 10:00-17:00. MO CLOSED
southwales2000.com • 01495 201182 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OTR, OSK, FSP, CSP, UTR



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ESP – English Sporting

STR – Sportrap

DTL – Down the Line

ESK – English Skeet

OSK – Olympic Skeet

OTR – Olympic Trap

DT – Double Trap

UTR – Universal Trench

ABT – Automatic Ball Trap

FSP – FITASC

HEL – Helice

SB – Single-Barrel

DR – Double Rise

HD – Handicap by Distance

SKD – Skeet Doubles

AR – All-Round

CSP – Compak

P – Premier Plus Ground
P – Premier Ground

Please note: These fixtures are those received by the CPSA by the deadline date specified. We strongly advise that you check with the organisers before travel to ensure that shoot dates are correct and have not changed.

SUNDAY 1 MARCH

Barrow Sporting Clays, Suffolk, 07912 497000, 100 ESP REG, 09:00-14:00

Bisley Gun Club, Surrey, 07713 762928, 100 DTL REG & AGM, 08:30-14:00

Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 ESK REG, 100 OTR REG + ESP Practice 10:30am-3pm (Check Calendar on brookbankshooting.co.uk), 10:30-11:30

P Bywell Shooting Ground, Northumberland, 01670 787827, 100 ESP REG, 10:00-12:00

P Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, 100 ESP REG, 100 STR REG PRACTICE ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00

Double Barrelled Podimore, Somerset, 07888 697401, 100 ESP REG & 25 Bird Pool & Practice, 10:30-13:30

P East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 DTL REG 6TH WINTER SERIES, 10:00-14:00

Eriswell Lodge, Suffolk, 01638 534045, 100 ESK Registered - Telephone Bookings Only - 01638 534045. Practice ESP, STR,DT L,FSP,ESK,DTL,ABT,SKD,A/R, 09:30-15:30

P Fauxdegla Shooting Ground, Wales, 01978 790198, 100 DTL REG Only £30 Enrty, 100 ABT REG Only £30 Enrty OPEN FOR PRACTICE, 10:00-17:00

Garlands Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01827 383300, 100 FSP REG £150 HG Cash in Classes, +25 bird STR Pool Shoot, Shoots set by Steve Lovatt, West Mids I/C Champs,

High View Clay Shoot, Cornwall, 01566 785433, 100 ESP REG, 09:45-13:30

Horne CPC (Court Farm), Surrey, 07711 332097, 100 ESP REG £100 1st in AA,A,B,C, £50 2nd in Each Class plus Ladies, Juniors & Veterans, 10:00-14:00

Kegworth Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 07973 111650, 100 ESP REG £150 HIGH GUN-Adult Refs- £720+ Prizefund & £100+ Payout each class+ Sportrap POOL, 10:00-14:00

P North Of England C.T.C, Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 STR REG £75 H/G, 10:00-12:30

P Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESP £100 HG Tel. entries pref. Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 10:00-Dusk

P Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 100 DTL REG & 100 ESK REG Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9am-4pm. Food available all day, 09:00-12:30

P Nottingham Sporting Clays, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 50 ESP REG Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9-4. Food available all day, 09:00-14:00

Old Glossop Clay S.G., Derbyshire, 07508 363918, 100 ESP REG - £150 HG + Cash Payout Per Class + Sportrap Pool Shoot, 10:00-13:00

P Orston Shooting Ground, Nottinghamshire, 01949 851181, 100 ESP REG £100 HG x 2 + cash in classes (incl. North Division Premier League £250 HG), 25 STR Pool + 25 DTL & ESK Pool, 09:00-14:00

P Rugby & District Trap Club, Warwickshire, 07770 551491, 100 UTR REG Winter Series Text entries to John 07770 551491 or email by Friday 4pm prior to shoot, 09:00-10:30

P South Wales 2000 S.G, Wales, 01495 201182, 100 DTL REG, 09:30-10:30

The Priory Clay Target Centre, Lincolnshire, 01406 351451, 100 ESK REG Norfolk County Champs Practise available on DTL,ABT,ESK,OSK, SPORTNG & TOWER 09:30-16:00

THURSDAY 5 MARCH

Eriswell Lodge, Suffolk, 01638 534045, 100 ESK Registered - Telephone Bookings Only - 01638 534045. Practice ESP, STR,DT L,FSP,ESK,DTL,ABT,SKD,A/R, 09:30-15:30

SATURDAY 7 MARCH

Axminster Gun Club, Devon, 01404 881588, 100 DTL REG, 09:30-10:30

Cosford Shooting Ground, Warwickshire, 07563 518090, 100 ESK REG, 10:00-15:00

P Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, PRACTICE ESK, ESP, OSK, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00

P East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 DTL REG, 100 OSK REG North Region Champs Entries from 10am-12pm plus practise, 10:00-14:00

P Fauxdegla Shooting Ground, Wales, 01978 790198, 50 OT REG - OPEN FOR PRACTICE, 10:00-17:00

Kingscote Shooting Ground, East Sussex, 07944 005490, 80 bird ESP 10am-12pm

North Cornwall Shooting Ground, Cornwall, 01409 211458, 100 DTL REG; 100 SB REG Cornwall selection, 09:30-10:30

P North Of England C.T.C, Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 DTL REG entries close 11:30 practice from 12:00, 09:30-17:00

North Wales Shooting School, Wales, 01244 812219, 100 FSP REG Welsh selection shoot PRACTICE,DTL, HI AND LO TOWERS,AND CATERING, 09:30-16:30





P Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESK; 100 REG DTL, Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 10:00-Dusk

P Owls Lodge Shooting School, Hampshire, 07734 200280, 100 ESP REG - Open Entries, 10:00-15:00

The Priory Clay Target Centre, Lincolnshire, 01406 351451, 50 ESK REG, Practise available on DTL,ABT,ESK,OSK, SPORTNG & TOWER, 09:30-16:00

SUNDAY 8 MARCH

Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 DTL REG, 100 UTR REG + ESP Practice 10:30am-3pm (Check Calendar on www.brookbankshooting.co.uk), 10:30-11:30

P Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, PRACTICE ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00

P East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 ABT REG (6th Winter Series), 10:00-14:00

P Fauxdegla Shooting Ground, Wales, 01978 790198, 100 OTR REG Final Flocchi WINTER SERIES - OPEN FOR PRACTICE, 10:00-17:00

Grange Farm Sporting Clays, Leicestershire, 01455 822208, 100 ESP REG, 09:30-13:00

Gunsite Sporting Clays, Wiltshire, 07979 874887, 100 ESP REG, 10:00-13:00

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P Highwaymans Shooting Ground, Suffolk, 07836 643436, 100 ESP REG, 09:00-14:00

Holmes Chapel Shooting Ground, Cheshire, 01477 518444, 100 DTL REG Winter Series, 09:30-13:00

Horne CPC (Gatton Bottom), Surrey, 07711 332097, 100 ESP REG £100 1st in AA,A,B,C, £50 2nd in Each Class plus Ladies, Veterans & Juniors, 10:00-15:00

Isle Of Wight Gun Club, Isle Of Wight, 07779 194429, 100 ABT REG County Championship, 100 bird ESP Club Class Spring 1 Series, 10:00-16:00

Kingsferry Gun Club, Kent, 01795 877037, 100 ESK REG 100 SKD REG and Practise, 10:00-15:30

Kingsley Moor Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01782 550371, 100 ESP REG, 10:00-12:30

Mayland & District Gun Club, Essex, 07572 878348, 100 DTL REG Victoria Challenge Cup for DTL HG, 100 DR REG, 100 DTL REG Re-entry, 09:00-14:00

P National Clay Shooting Centre, Surrey, 01483 797666, 100 ABT REG Surrey & Greater London Counties Championship, 09:00-16:00

P North Of England C.T.C., Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 DTL REG, 09:30-12:00

P Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESK, 100 REG SKD, 100 REG DTL, 100 REG AR, Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 10:00-Dusk

P Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 100 DTL REG (Notts V Derbs H4H Charity Event & Derbs Sel), 100 ESK REG Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9-4pm, 09:00-12:30

P Nottingham Sporting Clays, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, NSSA - Any Gauge. Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9-4. Food available all day, 09:00-16:00

Oakedge Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01889 881391, 100 ESP REG Run by Steve Lovatt (tel 07342 338390), £150 High Gun, cash in classes and 25 STR pool shoot,

P Orston Shooting Ground, Nottinghamshire, 01949 851181, 100 STR REG £100 HG, 25 STR Pool + 25 DTL & ESK Pool. ESP & Driven Practice, Shop & Cafe, 09:00-15:00

Penrith & District GC Ltd, Cumbria, 01697 361024, 100 DTL REG for the Arnison Shield & Pool Shoot, 09:30-12:30

Somerset Shooting Ground, Somerset, 07860 561677, 100 FSP REG £150 high gun. Entries via phone prior to event. Call 07866610086 (Liana), 10:00-14:00

P South Wales 2000 S.G, Wales, 01495 201182, 100 ABT REG, 09:30-10:30

P South West Shooting School, Devon, 01271 864784, 100 ESP REG, 10:30-11:30

Spennymoor & District C.P.C, Durham, 0191 377 2412, 100 DTL REG, Practice ESP, 09:30-12:00

The Priory Clay Target Centre, Lincolnshire, 01406 351451, 100 DTL REG, 100 HD REG Norfolk and Lincs County Champs Practise available on DTL,ABT,ESK,OSK, SPORTNG & TOWER 09:30-16:00

Westfield Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07342 338390, 100 ESP REG £150 High Gun, cash in classes and 25 bird STR pool shoot,

TUESDAY 10 MARCH

Hornet Shooting Ground (CF), Buckinghamshire, 01494 883715, 100 ESP REG Limited Squads Tel Entries 07702243308, 10:00-16:00

WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH

Hornet Shooting Ground (CF), Buckinghamshire, 01494 883715, 100 ESP REG Limited Squads Tel Entries 07702243308, 10:00-16:00

THURSDAY 12 MARCH

Eriswell Lodge, Suffolk, 01638 534045, 100 ESK Registered - Telephone Bookings Only - 01638 534045. Practice ESP, STR,DT L,FSP,ESK,DTL,ABT,SKD,A/R, 09:30-15:30

Hornet Shooting Ground (CF), Buckinghamshire, 01494 883715, 100 ESP REG Limited Squads Tel Entries 07702243308, 10:00-16:00

P Owls Lodge Shooting School, Hampshire, 07734 200280, 100 FSP REG - Pre booking required, please get in touch with Owls Lodge direct to book, 10:00-14:00

FRIDAY 13 MARCH

Hornet Shooting Ground (CF), Buckinghamshire, 01494 883715, 100 ESP REG Limited Squads Tel Entries 07702243308, 10:00-16:00

Oxfordshire Shooting School, Oxfordshire, 07876 033665, 100 ESP REG Last entry 14:00 to finish by 16:00 ESP Practice. Fibre wad only, Catering 09:00-14:00, 09:00-17:00

SATURDAY 14 MARCH

Bradford Shooting Ground, Devon, 01409 281341, 100 DTL REG, 09:30-10:30

P Cambridge Gun Club Ltd, Cambridgeshire, 01353 648004, 100 ESP REG £250 HG (incl. North Division Premier League) Telephone Entries Only, 10:00-15:00

Clacton Gun Club, Essex, 07394 670871, 100 STR REG; practice sporting, 09:00-14:00

P Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, PRACTICE ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00

P East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 DTL REG plus practice, 10:00-14:00

Fareham Clay Target Club, Hampshire, 01329 315185, 100 ABT REG, 70 open English sporting Tony Gates Cup, 09:15-10:00

P Fauxdegla Shooting Ground, Wales, 01978 790198, 50 OTR REG - OPEN FOR PRATICE, 10:00-17:00

Kingsferry Gun Club, Kent, 01795 877037, 100 ESK REG 100 SKD REG and Practise, 10:00-15:30

P North Of England C.T.C, Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 DTL REG entries close 11:30 practice from 12:00, 09:30-17:00

North Wales Shooting School, Wales, 01244 812219, 100 ESK REG PRACTICE, SPORT TRAP, DTL, ESK, COMPAC SPORTING HI AND LO TOWERS, AND CATERING, 09:30-16:00

P Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESK, 100 REG AR, Practice ESP, ESK, DTL & ABT, 10:00-Dusk

The Priory Clay Target Centre, Lincolnshire, 01406 351451, 60 DR REG, Practise available on DTL, ABT, ESK, OSK, SPORTNG & TOWER, 09:30-16:00

Tythe Farm Gun Club, Bedfordshire, 07719 329094, 100 OSK REG Entries from 09:30 - 10:30, 10:15-14:00

SUNDAY 15 MARCH

Barrow Sporting Clays, Suffolk, 07912 497000, 100 ESP REG, 09:00-14:00

Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 DTL REG, 100 ABT REG + ESP Practice 10:30am-3pm (Please check Calendar on www.brookbankshooting.co.uk), 10:30-11:30

P Bywell Shooting Ground, Northumberland, 01670 787827, 100 DTL REG, 10:00-12:00

P Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, PRACTICE ESK, ESP, ABT, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00

P Doveridge Clay Sports Centre, Derbyshire, 01889 565986, 100 ESK REG tele entries + sporting practice

P East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 OTR REG (6th Winter Series), 100 ESK REG North Region team selection, 10:00-14:00

P Fauxdegla Shooting Ground, Wales, 01978 790198, 100 DTL REG Final Fiocchi WINTER SERIES & WCTSA SELECTION- OPEN FOR PRACTICE, 10:00-17:00

Four Counties Clay Target Club, Berkshire, 07909 864027, 100 ESP REG + POOL SHOOT, 10:00-13:30

Garlands Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01827 383300, 100 ESP REG £150 High Gun, cash in classes and 25 STR pool shoot. Shoot set by Steve Lovatt (tel 07342 338390),

Gloucester Clay Shooting Club, Gloucestershire, 07843 087224, 100 REG OSK, 10:30-12:30

Horne CPC (Court Farm), Surrey, 07711 332097, 100 ESP REG £100 1st in AA,A,B,C, £50 2nd in Each Class plus Ladies, Juniors & Veterans, 10:00-14:00

Kegworth Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 07973 111650, 100 ESP REG £150 HIGH GUN-Adult Refs- £720+ Prizefund & £100+ Payout each class+ Sportrap POOL, 10:00-14:00

Longridge Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07971 447138, 100 ESP REG £200 hi gun and pool shoot, 10:00-15:00

Meadowcroft Shoot, Avon, 07802 467384, 100 ESP REG + Pool, 10:00-13:30

P National Clay Shooting Centre, Surrey, 01483 797666, 100 OTR REG Olympic Trap (Winter Series 4 of 4), 09:00-16:00

P North Of England C.T.C, Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 AR REG Malcolm Midgley Memorial Tel Entries, 10:00-12:30

P Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESP £100 HG Tel. entries pref. Practice ESP, ESK, DTL & ABT, 09:00-Dusk

P Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 100 ESK REG (Notts V Derbs H4H Charity Event & Derbys Sel), 100 DTL REG Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9-4pm, 09:00-12:30

P Nottingham Sporting Clays, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 50 ESP REG Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9-4. Food available all day, 09:00-14:00

Oak Lodge Shooting Ground, Durham, 07786 868691, 125 STR REG 5th winter series Entrles 10 till 2pm booking only,

Old Glossop Clay S.G., Derbyshire, 07508 363918, 100 ESP REG - £150 HG + Cash Payout Per Class + Sportrap Pool Shoot, 10:00-13:00

P Orston Shooting Ground, Nottinghamshire, 01949 851181, 100 ESP REG £100 HG x 2 + Cash in Classes, 25 STR Pool + 25 DTL & ESK Pool, 09:00-14:00

P Rugby & District Trap Club, Warwickshire, 07770 551491, 100 ABT REG Winter Series Text entries to John 07770 551491 or email by Friday 4pm prior to shoot, 09:00-10:30

P South Wales 2000 S.G, Wales, 01495 201182, 100 AR REG £100 HG, 10:00-14:30

Spennymoor & District C.P.C, Durham, 0191 377 2412, 50 ABT REG, 50 ESK REG Practice DTL & ESP, 09:30-11:00

WEDNESDAY 18 MARCH

Purbeck Shooting School, Dorset, 01929 405101, 100 FSP REG, 10:00-16:00

THURSDAY 19 MARCH

Eriswell Lodge, Suffolk, 01638 534045, 100 ESK Registered - phone Bookings Only - 01638 534045. Practice ESP, STR, DTL, FSP, ESK, DTL, ABT, SKD, A/R, 09:30-15:30

P Nottingham Sporting Clays, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, NSSA 10am-1pm. Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL. Food available all day, 10:00-Dusk

SATURDAY 21 MARCH

Axminster Gun Club, Devon, 01404 881588, 100 DTL REG, 09:30-10:30

Bradford Shooting Ground, Devon, 01409 281341, 100 ABT REG TONY WEBBER MEMORIAL, 09:30-10:30

Cosford Shooting Ground, Warwickshire, 07563 518090, 100 ESK REG, 10:00-15:00

P Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, PRACTICE ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00





P East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 DTL REG 1st ENGLAND DTL Selection Shoot day 1, 10:00-14:00

P Fauxdegla Shooting Ground, Wales, 01978 790198, 50 ABT REG - OPEN FOR PRACTICE, 10:00-17:00

P North Of England C.T.C, Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 DTL REG entries close 11:30 practice from 12:00, 09:30-11:30

P Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESK; 100 REG DTL, Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 10:00-Dusk

P Owls Lodge Shooting School, Hampshire, 07734 200280, 100 CSP REG - English Open Championship booking via the BICTSF only, 10:00-18:00

P Southdown Gun Club Ltd, Sussex, 01903 877555, 100 FSP REG Day 1 of 2 PRE-BOOK ONLY + Open Practice, 08:45-12:30

P Sporting Targets Ltd, Bedfordshire, 01234 708893, 100 ESP REG England Team Selection shoot, 2 days, shoot either day, squadded, Day 1 PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL 01234 708893, 09:00-14:00

The Priory Clay Target Centre, Lincolnshire, 01406 351451, 50 ABT REG, Practise available on DTL,ABT,ESK,OSK, SPORTNG & TOWER, 09:30-16:00

SUNDAY 22 MARCH

Ashley Clay Shoot, Devon, 01884 243476, 100 ESP REG FIBRE WADS ONLY, 10:00-11:30

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Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 DTL REG, 100 UTR REG + ESP Practice 10:30am-3pm (Check Calendar on www.brookbankshooting.co.uk), 10:30-11:30

Catton Hall SG Ltd, Cheshire, 01928 788295, 100 ESP REG, 10:00-16:00

P Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, PRACTICE ESK, ESP, ABT, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00

P East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 DTL REG 1st ENGLAND DTL Selection Shoot day 2, 10:00-14:00

Grange Farm Sporting Clays, Leicestershire, 01455 822208, 100 ESP REG, 09:30-13:00

P Highwaymans Shooting Ground, Suffolk, 07836 643436, 100 ESP REG, 09:00-14:00

Holmes Chapel Shooting Ground, Cheshire, 01477 518444, 100 DTL REG The Grand Final and prize giving of the Winter Series with some sponsorship From CORSIVA clays, 09:30-13:00

Horne CPC (Gatton Bottom), Surrey, 07711 332097, 100 ESP REG £100 1st in AA,A,B,C, £50 2nd in Each Class plus Ladies, Veterans & Juniors, 10:00-15:00

Kingsferry Gun Club, Kent, 01795 877037, 100 ESK REG 100 SKD REG and Practise, 10:00-15:30

Kingsley Moor Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01782 550371, 100 ESP REG, 10:00-12:30

Mayland & District Gun Club, Essex, 07572 878348, 100 DTL REG Macaroni Cup (B Class), 100 DR REG, 100 DTL REG Re-entry, 09:00-14:00

P National Clay Shooting Centre, Surrey, 01483 797666, 100 ESK REG English Skeet (Winter Series 4 of 4), 09:00-16:00

P North Of England C.T.C, Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 ESP REG Squadded tel entries £75 H/G, 10:00-12:30

P Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESK, 100 REG SKD, 100 REG AR, Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 10:00-Dusk

P Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 100 DTL REG, 100 ESK REG Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9am-4pm. Food available all day, 09:00-12:30

Oakedge Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01889 881391, 100 ESP REG Run by Steve Lovatt (tel 07342 338390), £150 High Gun, Cash in classes and 25 STR pool shoot,

P Orston Shooting Ground, Nottinghamshire, 01949 851181, 100 ESP REG £100 HG x 2 + Cash in Classes, 25 STR Pool + 25 DTL & ESK Pool, 09:00-14:00

Penrith & District GC Ltd, Cumbria, 01697 361024, 100 DTL REG for the Raymond Scott Trophy & Pool Shoot, 09:30-12:30

P Rugby & District Trap Club, Warwickshire, 07770 551491, 24 HEL REG Winter Series BICTSF Team Selection Shoot Entries to John 07770 551491 or email by Friday 4pm prior to shoot, 09:00-10:30

P South Wales 2000 S.G, Wales, 01495 201182, 100 OTR REG, 09:30-10:30

P Southdown Gun Club Ltd, Sussex, 01903 877555, 100 FSP REG Day 2 of 2 PRE-BOOK ONLY + Open Practice, 08:45-12:30

Spennymoor & District C.P.C, Durham, 0191 377 2412, 100 DTL REG, Practice ESP, 09:30-12:00

P Sporting Targets Ltd, Bedfordshire, 01234 708893, 100 ESP REG England Team Selection shoot, 2 days, shoot either day, squadded, Day 2 PRE-BOOKING ESSENTIAL 01234 708893, 09:00-14:00

The Priory Clay Target Centre, Lincolnshire, 01406 351451, 100 ESK REG Practise available on DTL,ABT,ESK,OSK, SPORTNG & TOWER 09:00-16:00

Two Counties Gun Club, , 01566 783323, 100 DTL REG, 10:00-15:00

Westfield Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07342 338390, 100 ESP REG £150 High Gun, Cash in classes and 25 STR pool shoot,

TUESDAY 24 MARCH

Hornet Shooting Ground (CF), Buckinghamshire, 01494 883715, 100 FSP REG Limited Squads Tel Entries 07702243308, 10:00-16:00

WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH

Hornet Shooting Ground (CF), Buckinghamshire, 01494 883715, 100 FSP REG Limited Squads Tel Entries 07702243308, 10:00-16:00

Mickley Hall Shooting School, Cheshire, 07766 252438, 100 REG ESP booking only squads at 10am and 1pm & open practice for ESP & DTL practice & tuition is also available, 10:00-17:00

THURSDAY 26 MARCH

Eriswell Lodge, Suffolk, 01638 534045, 100 ESK Registered - Telephone Bookings Only - 01638 534045. Practice ESP, STR, DTL, FSP, ESK, DTL, ABT, SKD, A/R, 09:30-15:30

Hornet Shooting Ground (CF), Buckinghamshire, 01494 883715, 100 FSP REG Limited Squads Tel Entries 07702243308, 10:00-16:00

Owls Lodge Shooting School, Hampshire, 07734 200280, 100 ESP REG - pre booking required, please get in touch with Owls Lodge direct to book, 10:00-15:00

FRIDAY 27 MARCH

Atkin Grant & Lang SG, Hertfordshire, 01582 849382, 100 ESP REG Last card 14:30. Catering available, 09:30-17:00

Hornet Shooting Ground (CF), Buckinghamshire, 01494 883715, 100 FSP REG Limited Squads Tel Entries 07702243308, 10:00-16:00

Sporting Targets Ltd, Bedfordshire, 01234 708893, 100 FSP REG STL Series (3) (Day 1 of 2) Tel Entries Only 01234 708893. ESP PRACTICE ONLY, 09:00-18:00

SATURDAY 28 MARCH

Clacton Gun Club, Essex, 07394 670871, 100 AR REG Club championship; skeet & sporting practice, 09:00-14:00

Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, PRACTICE ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00

East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 DTL REG plus practice, 10:00-14:00

Eriswell Lodge, Suffolk, 01638 534045, 100 ESK REG England selection shoot Day 1 of 2 Shoot either day ESP, STR, DTL, FSP Practice, 09:30-15:30

Fauxdegla Shooting Ground, Wales, 01978 790198, 100 ABT REG WCTSA selection, 10:00-17:00

Garlands Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01827 383300, 100 FSP REG England Team Selection, entries in advance via the CPSA website. Shoot either day,

Ham Cross Shooting Ground, Wiltshire, 07711 242749, 100 ESP REG, 10:00-15:00

Kingsferry Gun Club, Kent, 01795 877037, 100 ESK REG 100 SKD REG and Practise, 10:00-15:30

North Cornwall Shooting Ground, Cornwall, 01409 211458, 100 ABT REG Cornwall and North Cornwall SG Championship + Practice, 09:30-10:30

North Of England C.T.C., Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 DTL REG entries close 11:30 practice from 12:00, 09:30-17:00

Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESK, 100 REG AR, Practice ESP, ESK, DTL & ABT, 10:00-Dusk

Southdown Gun Club Ltd, Sussex, 01903 877555, 100 STR REG & Sussex Champs (day 1 of 2) PRE-BOOK, OPEN PRACTICE, 09:10-14:30

Sporting Targets Ltd, Bedfordshire, 01234 708893, 100 FSP REG STL Series (3) (Day 2 of 2) Tel Entries Only 01234 708893. ESP PRACTICE ONLY, 09:00-18:00

SUNDAY 29 MARCH

Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent, 01322 311001, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, 100 ESP REG, 100 STR REG PRACTICE ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, UTR, DTL, DR & CSP, 10:00-16:00

Doveridge Clay Sports Centre, Derbyshire, 01889 565986, 100 ESP REG + skt, dtl practice

East of England Shooting Ground, Lincolnshire, 01406 540362, 100 ESP REG Start 09:30 last card 14:00. £120 High gun, class payouts, Open Practice STR, ESK, ABT, DTL, 09:30-14:00

East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground, Yorkshire, 01964 204190, 100 AR REG, 10:00-14:00

Eriswell Lodge, Suffolk, 01638 534045, 100 ESK REG England selection shoot Day 2 of 2 Shoot either day ESP, STR, DTL, FSP Practice, 09:30-15:30

Fareham Clay Target Club, Hampshire, 01329 315185, 100 DTL REG Hants Champ, 100 Skeet REG, 09:15-10:00

Fauxdegla Shooting Ground, Wales, 01978 790198, 100 ABT REG WCTSA selection / Cheshire selection, 100 DTL REG OPEN FOR PRACTICE, 10:00-17:00

Garlands Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01827 383300, 100 FSP REG England Team Selection, entries in advance via the CPSA website. Shoot either day.

Horne CPC (Gatton Bottom), Surrey, 07711 332097, 100 ESP REG £100 1st in AA, A, B, C, £50 2nd in Each Class plus Ladies, Veterans & Juniors, 10:00-15:00

Isle of Man Clay Pigeon Shooting Club, Isle Of Man, 07624 460 785, 75 bird Sporting Medley, 10:00-17:00

Kegworth Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 07973 111650, 100 ESP REG £150 HIGH GUN-Adult Refs- £720+ Prizfund & £100+ Payout each class+ Sportrap POOL, 10:00-14:00

Mayland & District Gun Club, Essex, 07572 878348, 100 DTL REG Hambro Cup, 100 DR REG, 100 DTL Re-entry, 09:00-14:00

North Of England C.T.C., Yorkshire, 01904 738120, 100 AR REG, 09:30-12:30

Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 REG ESK, 100 REG SKD, 100 REG AR, Practice ESP, ESK, DTL & ABT, 10:00-Dusk

Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 100 SB REG (Notts County Championship), 100 DTL REG, 100 ESK REG Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9-4pm, 09:00-12:30

Nottingham Sporting Clays, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 50 ESP REG Practice ESP, FSP, STR, ESK & DTL 9-4. Food available all day, 09:00-14:00

Orston Shooting Ground, Nottinghamshire, 01949 851181, 120 ESP REG £100 HG x 2 + Cash in Classes, 25 STR Pool + 25 DTL & ESK Pool, 09:00-14:00

Somerset Shooting Ground, Somerset, 07860 561677, 100 ESP REG £200 high gun Pool shoot Entries £10:00-14:00, 10:00-14:00

South Wales 2000 S.G., Wales, 01495 201182, 100 UTR REG £50 high gun, 10:00-16:30

Southdown Gun Club Ltd, Sussex, 01903 877555, 100 ESP REG including CPSA Premier League, 100 STR REG & Sussex Champs (day 2 of 2) PRE-BOOK, Pool Shoot, 09:10-14:30

Spennymoor & District C.P.C., Durham, 0191 377 2412, 100 DTL REG, Practice ESP, 09:30-12:00



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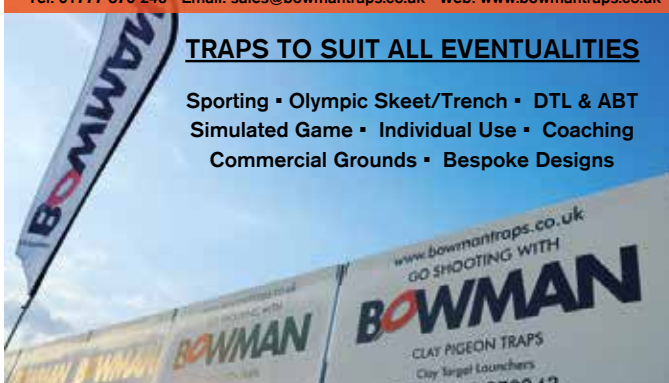
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FROM RED COAT TO REFEREE

The CPSA's Sports Personality of the Year, **Tony Axcell**, tells **Jo Fellows** how shooting was his saviour.



standard, respect and good manners, whether you are a AAA World Champion or its the first time you have entered a competition."

Tony tells us he is always happy, "I've got my health, and most of all in Caroline I have a tremendous partner of 30 years, four sons and one grandson – I'm so very lucky to have a wonderful home life."

They say that there has to be a challenge for there to be change. The story of how Tony Axcell came to refereeing, and then went on to be Sports Personality of the Year at last month's CPSA awards, is one such story.

Tony joined the Army as a Royal Engineers Apprentice at just 15-years-old and served for six years. On leaving, he wanted to do something completely different and joined Butlins as a Red Coat in 1977.

"I did the lights in the theatre at night, and during the day I was a lifeguard at the swimming pool," said Tony. "It was hard living on £21 per week but the fringe benefits, life experiences and laughs made it all worthwhile." After about a year, he hung up his Red Coat to become a haulage driver.

BASIC START

Tony began clay shooting in his 40s. "One of the guys I worked with at the time was a part-time gamekeeper, and a few of us started off in a field outside Guildford with two boxes of clays and second-hand traps once a month on a Sunday – it was all very basic but great fun!"

He started shooting on a regular basis at Dartford Gun Club in 1998. The owner, Peter Duffield, also owned a haulage company and Tony was driving one of his artics. "One Friday he asked me what I was doing the following day. 'Nothing'

I replied. He asked me if I fancied helping him out at the Gun Club – and I ended up doing Saturdays and Sundays for 17 years!"

But then an accident threatened his livelihood.

He tells us, "In 2011 I was in my truck and the

car in front of me spun on black ice and went through a fence. I stopped to help and was hit by another car while standing on the pavement.

The car that hit me was doing 70mph on the A1, when the matrix signs said 40mph. I ended up with an open fracture to my right leg and both knees smashed – and that put paid to me ever driving a truck again. I was devastated.

"While I was recuperating, Stuart Gould, who represented the other party's insurance company, came to see me. He asked if I would like to go back to work. Of course I would, but I was no longer able to drive a truck. He asked what I did in my spare time and I said I like to shoot clays. He said, 'would you like to have more to do with shooting?' 'Absolutely' I said."

A couple of weeks later the insurance company bought him a gun and paid for all his referee courses. 2020 is Tony's sixth year

of refereeing. He referees mainly Sporting, FITASC and Sportrap. "Sportrap is my favourite," says Tony, "there's more to do and more buttons to press – sometimes I get them in the right order!"

He likes to put shooters at ease by always

greeting them with a friendly hello.

"Life as a Red Coat was excellent training for being a referee. All competitions are exciting, whether

it is a World

Championship or a 100-target Reg Sporting, I treat them the same. I just love being outside and refereeing is a very social thing," says Tony. "I will give you the same professional

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IT'S BEST TO BE BRIGHT

As well as his professionalism, he's also well-known on the shooting circuit for wearing brightly-coloured shirts. "I am quite small and very round," he admits. "I started wearing Hawaiian shirts because they are loose and comfortable. The shooters commented on them and it's sort of expected now. In the winter I just make sure I'm warm and dry."

If anyone's thinking of taking up refereeing, Tony's advice is, "Do it – it's not hard. You'll get plenty of fresh air, great company and lots of laughs, just be yourself."

There's a small group of referees that do all the Majors. "We are a tight knit bunch and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for helping me with my reffing career – especially Bob Fisher, John Murray, Jes Simmons and Arnie," says Tony. 🍌



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Above: Tony Axcell at The CPSA Annual Awards evening. **Right:** Tony Axcell showing his colours at the CPSA British Open English Sporting 2019.



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