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WELCOME

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We were pleased to announce on 14 May that the CPSA could endorse the reopening of grounds following the easing of government restrictions – albeit with shooters limited to groups of two. On 1 June we were able to announce the resumption of CPSA Registered shoots and larger squad sizes, following government guidance that groups of up to six people from different households could now meet for sport. We thank you all for abiding by government guidelines and protecting each other and the NHS by staying home and waiting patiently until the appropriate time for shooting to begin again.

I was personally excited to get out shooting, and have visited several grounds, including Westfield, E.J. Churchill, High Lodge, Eriswell Lodge, and Owls Lodge. All were doing an excellent job of following CPSA and government guidance to conduct our sport under the right conditions. You can find the full CPSA guidance at cpsa.co.uk/staysafe. I encourage all of our members to read this, as it is the responsibility of everyone to do their bit to slow the spread of Coronavirus, not just the clubs and grounds.

In this issue of *Pull!*, we have a feature by Sam Nunn on pages 11-14 evaluating the accessibility of English grounds for disabled shooters. It is a goal of the CPSA to make sure that clay-target shooting is an inclusive sport for everyone, so please have a look to see what is being done well, and where improvements can be made.

We also hear from up-and-coming ABT shooter William Gilbert on page 19, and we speak with Steve Lovatt on page 50 about how he has worked with the CPSA to develop a system for holding Registered Shoots under social distancing and government conditions. Steve also talks about his course setting plans for the 2020 CPSA British Open English Sporting at Garlands this September, an event we can all look forward to in this unusual year.

IAIN PARKER // Chief Executive.



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CLUBHOUSE NEWS

REGISTERED SHOOTING RECOMMENCES

The CPSA announced on 1 June that CPSA Registered Shoots could recommence, following government guidance that groups of up to six people from different households could conduct non-contact sporting activities together.

You can find the most up-to-date details for how shoots may be held at cpsa.co.uk/staysafe. At the time of print, the following are the key points of our guidance to grounds:

- Squads can now be up to five, plus a

- Caddy/Referee or Referee per stand
- All squads must be booked on in advance – it is suggested you ask for confirmation that no-one has any symptoms of Covid-19 themselves or in their household
- Safety briefings will take place before the round commences regarding acceptable social distancing, scoring procedure and biosecurity measures during the round
- No score cards will be touched by shooters at any time. You will be scored

either via a squad/shooter card with the squad Caddy/Referee or a master score card by the stand Referee

- After shooting the stand, squad members must verbally confirm their score with the Referee before leaving the stand. The Referee's decision and score marked is final
- All squads start on stand 1 and shoot the course in order
- For those Grounds with multiple fixed layouts such as DTL, ESK, and Sportrap, it is acceptable to have a squad on each layout at each allotted squad time
- We would advise not to allow pool shoots at this time to avoid crowds
- Adopt a 'shoot-and-go' policy to avoid large crowds and social distancing issues.

ENGLISH/BRITISH OPEN ALL ROUND AND ENGLISH OPEN ABT UPDATE

The English/British Open All Round and the English Open ABT have been postponed to later this year because local accommodation is not likely to be available for each due to Coronavirus-related restrictions.

The English/British Open All Round (originally scheduled for 4-5 July) at Brook Bank Shooting Ground will now be held 15-16 August 2020.

The English Open ABT (originally scheduled for 27-28 June) at East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground will now be held 8-9 August 2020.

All bookings will automatically transfer to the new dates. Full refunds of competition entry fees can be requested for those who are booked but unable to attend on the new dates. Please email championships@cpsa.co.uk to request a refund for the English Open ABT, and contact Brook Bank Shooting Ground directly to request a refund for the British Open/English Open All Round.

We would like to thank Brook Bank Shooting Ground and East Yorkshire Clay Shooting Ground for their support in this decision and look forward to hosting these events with them later in the year.

BRITISH OPEN ENGLISH SKEET – WHY NOT HAVE GO?

At time of print there are still many places open for the British Open English Skeet on 22 August at The National Clay Shooting Centre, Bisley. With so many events cancelled this year, why not book on, even if skeet isn't your preferred discipline? You'll still find the same great atmosphere of a CPSA Championship, and get to break some clays with fellow members. Entry fees are £53 Competition, £43 Targets Only, and £26.50 for Juniors and Colts. Entries close at 12pm on 10 August. Find out more at championships.cpsa.co.uk.



BRITISH SHOOTING SHOW 2021 – COVID-19 UPDATE

In light of the ongoing disruption, The British Shooting Show is fully committed to running their event, scheduled for 19-21 February 2021 at the NEC, Birmingham. The event will be run in accordance with any guidelines that may be in place at that time.

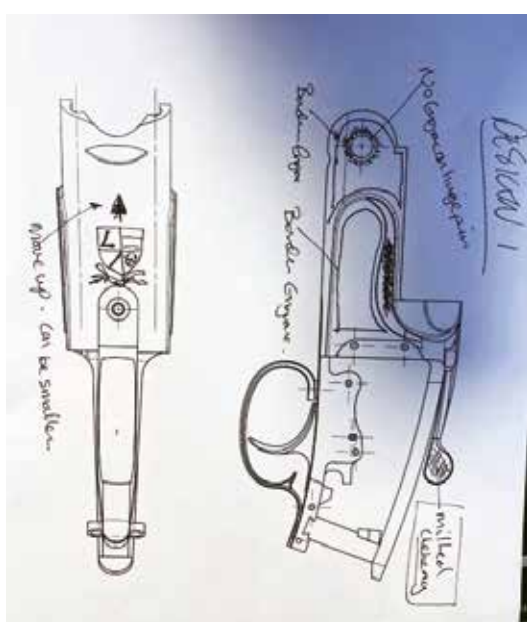
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– Cliff Jones



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Do you have a funny photo that you'd like to send in for the next caption competition? If your photo is chosen, then you will win a CPSA branded hat, travel mug, and mini torch! This month's picture is of Top Shot Phil Gray at the English Open Sporting in 2019. Send your photos or caption to captions@cpsa.co.uk. The funniest caption will be the winner of a Musto cartridge bag.



Captions and potential photos will be judged by a panel of CPSA and Fellows Media staff. Please be aware that if you win, delivery of prizes may be delayed due to the Coronavirus situation. Rude or offensive captions or photos will not be considered. One entry per person per month, winners must wait one year to enter again.



PLEASE SEND YOUR FUNNY CAPTIONS AND PHOTOS TO [CAPTIONS@CPSA.CO.UK](mailto:captions@cpsa.co.uk)

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Whether you are just starting out, or are an experienced shooter, the CPSA has created a range of courses to offer the best training available in the sport today.

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!



Referee Course

£75

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.

- 20 Jul ESK – Eriswell Lodge
- 10 Aug ESP – West Midlands SG

- 12 Sep ESK – Dartford CSC
- 10 Oct ESP – Southdown Gun Club

Level 1 Instructor Training Course (ITC)

£695

This four-day course teaches you how to check eye dominance and gun fit. It shows you how to teach the CPSA Method, how to recognise shooting errors and how to correct them. It consists of classroom time, off-and on-range workshops and a final day of assessments. It covers crossing, rising and dropping targets and equips instructors with the knowledge to tackle a huge variety of targets. For this course, the criteria for qualification is that the candidate can get a novice to hit a moving target safely using the CPSA Method. Candidates must have attended an IDW within the previous two years.

- 6-9 Jul Northampton SG
- 3-7 Aug Lea Marston SC
- 22-25 Sep Park Lodge Shooting School
- 19-20 Oct National Assessment Day

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.

- 14-16 Jul L2 Common Element
- 24-26 Aug L2 ESP CTC
- 14-16 Sep L2 ESK/TRAP CTC
- 12 Oct L2 OSK/OT CTC

Shotgun Skills Course (SGS)

£89

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.

- 18 Jul Garlands SG
- 1 Aug Nottingham & District Gun Club
- 19 Sep Nottingham & District Gun Club

Instructor Development Workshop (IDW)

£175

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.

- 4 Jul South Pennine Shooting School
- 13 Jul Northampton SG
- 20 Jul Lea Marston SC
- 11 Sep Cambridge GC
- 19 Oct NCSC

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.

- 18 Jul NCSC
- 11 Aug Nottingham & District GC
- 15 Aug South Pennine Shooting School
- 17 Aug Lea Marston SC
- 19 Sep NCSC
- 5 Oct Eriswell Lodge
- 28 Nov NCSC

We are closely monitoring the Covid-19 situation and will post any course changes on our website

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DISABLED FRIENDLY GROUNDS

Disabled Standing shooter and Secretary of the Disabled Shooters Group, **Sam Nunn**, enlightens us on disabled-friendly grounds and what grounds across the UK could do to be more accessible for disabled members.

When making grounds accessible for less able members, the first thing to consider is what type of person shoots. There is a broad range of people I would suggest – from the age of nine up to people well in their 80s, both male and female. Some enjoy a leisurely shot, some use it for keeping their eye in whilst awaiting the game season, whereas others are extremely competitive and shooting becomes a major part of their life. I would count as being in the latter, as would the likes of disabled shooters Paul Bailey and Adrian Last to name but a few.

The joy of clay pigeon shooting is that most people can have a go, and you won't have to retire due to any physical restrictions that you might have in other sports such as rugby, tennis or even golf. However, do the facilities at shoots

put disabled people, older people, and others generally off the sport, especially when the weather isn't quite so fine?

It isn't just disabled shooters who would benefit from improved or adapted facilities – it is the 7,000 plus Veteran shooters, as well as the rest of the CPSCA members and other shooting organisations.

In 2018 the Disabled Shooting Group, via the CPSCA, issued a survey asking

all Registered grounds about their facilities – and while some grounds were deemed excellent, on the whole not one ground could perfectly facilitate every type of

shooter. I would agree with this, and have to say that all the grounds I have visited in England could make various improvements.

Above: Adrian Last and Sam Nunn supporting Disabled Sitting shooter Kelvin Davies' wheelchair, showing the challenges of shooting Sporting on an inclined stand. **Below:** The author, Sam Nunn, takes aim.

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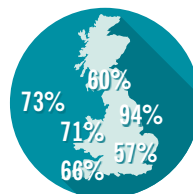


STATISTICS ON DISABLED-FRIENDLY GROUNDS AROUND THE UK

Based on the May 2020 Classified Grounds, here are statistics on grounds that are disabled friendly according to their classification: North 60%, West Midlands 71%, East Midlands 94%, South West 66%, South East 57%, Non-england 73%. This makes it 69% on average.

The statistics on the number of

disabled-friendly grounds are relatively good reading, especially the 94% in the East Midlands. Therefore its no surprise that the DSG membership in the Midlands is high, as the ground suitability makes the sport more approachable.



I have spoken to a few shooters to find out their favourite disabled-friendly grounds, and get their views on what they think could improve.

BEN WOODHAM

Ben is a Disabled Sitting shooter from Suffolk. He is relatively new to competitive shooting and shoots from his wheelchair. He has recently purchased a powered front wheel to help him get around the terrain of various grounds.

Ben has visited grounds all around the UK and has had some mixed experiences. He has found that most of the grounds visited generally have accessible clubhouses – some being better than others. Some have level threshold entrances and some have steeper, more difficult ramps or even steps, while some of the toilet facilities could be improved for accessibility. He finds gravel and paving car parks, paths, and stands

very difficult to manoeuvre over in his wheelchair. With regards to the stands themselves, again Ben has had a mix of experiences. Metal cages are typically easy to use, as they are usually wide so there is plenty of room to manoeuvre.

While he thought some stands that he had shot in were great, he felt several had a large entrance lip or step up or down into stands, which could be dangerous for both disabled and older shooters. Ben has witnessed other disabled shooters either not able to, or struggle to get into, DTL/Trap enclosures where the access is via a door. The best Skeet and DTL layouts were those with both concrete pads and concrete paths, as again a step up or down can be very challenging.

Ben finished by saying how disappointing it can be when you cannot access a stand at all because it is physically impossible to do so.



SIMON FINLAY

PAUL BAILEY

Paul is an International, multi-discipline, disabled sitting shooter. He has shot from a wheelchair since 1996 and has won many international competitions. He resides in North Staffordshire, a somewhat different terrain to Suffolk. Paul uses only a handful of grounds to train at locally. He said that only one of the grounds he visits provides easy access to the reception area. He advised some grounds have ramps available, but again these were not ideal. Only half of these grounds have a proper disabled toilet. Due to the terrain that at some of the grounds he uses, the Sporting setup is up and down slopes, therefore an electric scooter or powered wheelchair would be required for him to access them.

Paul is a very independent and proud man, but when interviewed, one of the most embarrassing things for him was having to get people to book him on to shoots where receptions are not accessible, and also get food and drink.



Left: Alec Sperling. Above right: Paul Bailey at the British Open English Sporting 2018 at Oakedge.





ADRIAN LAST

Adrian is an experienced, international standard, Disabled Seated shooter from Suffolk. Adrian is the Chairman of the Disabled Shooters Group, and also shoots from his chair with powered front wheels. He is also a top referee. Adrian mainly Shoots in the East Midlands and has similar views and experiences as Ben. In addition, he feels you cannot expect all sporting stands to have good paths throughout the ground, however all stands should be either accessible for all, or have a suitable and consistent alternative shooting position.

Adrian also added that some stands need a small ramp to be easily accessed. He felt for standing disabled shooters,

buggy hire makes them more attractive at grounds such as High Lodge and Sporting Targets. He was surprised at the choice of some grounds for major competitions in the past, based on the facilities – or lack of them – the chosen grounds had.



Adrian felt Eriswell Lodge is a good example of an accessible ground. It has a hard surfaced car park, ramped access to the clubhouse and a wheelchair accessible toilet. Improvements could be made to level the Skeet shooting positions, with Trap layouts level or on concrete floor,

introduce the use of buggies if needed to get around the Sporting stands, and the provision to shoot from outside the stand if necessary. With the new Clubhouse due to open soon it should tick all the boxes.

A NON-DISABLED PERSPECTIVE

A non-disabled Veteran couple who asked to remain anonymous have been shooting clay targets for around 25 years. Toilet facilities with hot running water were very important to this couple, especially when you are eating food. They also advised that having to walk miles to the first stand is not very appealing. It's nice also to be able to have a firm level base on a stand – this doesn't have to be concrete, but not muddy or uneven. Their favourite ground is High Lodge, as it features a nice car park, excellent toilets, clubhouse and shop. It is easy to walk round and there is buggy hire available if required.



A WORD FROM THE SHOOTING GROUNDS

STUART SMITH, ERISWELL LODGE

Our ground is fully accessible to all, the safety cages are more than large enough to accommodate wheelchairs. Most have removable front bars (especially the new fixed position ones on the Sportrap and sim game areas), and have a hard stand base too. With the raised platform shooting stands, there is a system being devised to have a second, lower level position for those unable to access the stairs. The new clubhouse is fully DDA compliant in every way, from the bathroom facilities to the doors throughout the building, as well as the platform lift and exterior access ramps and handrails. We have done everything we can to make the ground and clubhouse completely accessible to everyone, regardless of their level of mobility or any restrictions they may personally face. Obviously the Skeet and Trap fields are already concrete so that makes it easy for flat and smooth transit, and the remainder of the ground will keep being improved as time goes on, including even better pathways and outside facilities.

NATASHA HEADING, PRIORY CLAY TARGET CLUB

Disabled and older shooters make up a huge number of our membership and customer base, therefore it was massively important when we took over in 2015 that we made it accessible for everyone. The first thing we did was make the ground a step-free zone. We built ramp access in and out of the clubhouse, and widened doors for wheelchairs to access toilet facilities.

We've flattened as best we can the roadways and access to every range, installed concrete pads between each peg and several disabled parking spaces immediately next to the clubhouse. We've spent thousands since opening to make sure every disability and wheelchair user is able to get on to every range independently, but there's also several staff who work with us who are there to help when needed.

When we first opened the land was hilly and there was no clear path to any range. The grass was overgrown and would have been impossible for disabled/wheelchair users to get on and off a range, let alone a peg safely and easily. We flattened the whole ground, and structured each range so it was easily accessible.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

It is clear that shooting grounds have a very difficult task in order to be made disabled friendly, especially those that aren't full-time commercial grounds. I take my hat off to those smaller grounds that try – Hillcroft Group, a supporting trade sponsor who run Byhurst Farm in Surrey, invited us down two years ago for a shoot and hired a toilet especially for us. The other ground is Priory CTC, owned by Aaron and Natasha Heading. They have bent over backwards to ask disabled shooters their views and have done as much as they can to support the group, even in its infancy.

In my view and looking at the above reviews, grounds should be looking up to High Lodge and Eriswell Lodge, both in Suffolk, but appreciate these are commercial grounds open five or more days a week.

I feel that ground owners need to take a good look at their grounds and their decisions, and just be honest when asked why their ground isn't more disabled friendly. Some will get defensive and say, "well we don't get disabled people

here very often" or "people would like to shoot clays like they are shooting game in a real life environment". The latter came when questioned about shooting on uphill, 25% plus slopes, with even the

fittest of shooters struggling.

I would like to see it made compulsory for existing and aspiring grounds, CPSA Premier or Premier Plus grounds be accessible for the disabled shooters.

DSG DISABLED FRIENDLY GROUND ACCREDITATION

The Disabled Shooters Group are suggesting the launch of the 'DSG Disabled Friendly Ground' accreditation, where grounds will be able to apply for a status for their ground, similar to the CPSA Premier/ Premier Plus rating. Key performance indicators for accreditation will be:

- **Car Parking** – surface material of car park, allocated disabled spaces.
- **Clubhouse** – sensible ramps or level access, door widths, reception and food counter heights.
- **Disabled toilets** – to meet DDA compliance, not used for storage.
- **Shooting paths** – distance from clubhouse to stands, surface material of paths, level access from path to stands.
- **Shooting platforms/positions** – flat, material of platforms, no steps, no bars (trip hazards).
- **Shooting stands** – bar height, leg/wheel room, no steps, no bars (trip hazards).

- **Vehicles for hire** – buggies, scooters, quads, 4x4 etc available.

SUGGESTED LEVELS OF DSG FRIENDLY GROUNDS:

- **Level 1 'Blue'** – Some of the above, fully DDA toilets, clubhouse and shooting stands, scored at least 65% on the criteria.
- **Level 2 'Silver'** – most of the above, and scored at least 75% on the criteria.
- **Level 3 'Gold'** – At least 85% the above criteria.

There are lots of grants out there to improve sporting facilities, subject to what you offer. These can be from Local Council sports departments, Sport England or even British Shooting. We are aware that some grounds have already benefitted from getting significant grants for disabled improvements.

The DSG are here to give you advice and knowledge from people who are living it – please use us! 🧠

Below: Kelvin Davies shoots at the British Open English Sporting 2018 at Oakedge, whilst Paul Bailey views the targets.



APPROXIMATE COSTS FOR DSG IMPROVEMENTS

- Concrete pad 1mx1m for a stand: £100
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MINIMAL MOVEMENT OF FEET FOR SHOOTING PAIRS

CPSA Level 3 Senior Coach **Simon Arbuckle** teaches us about minimal movement of the feet for shooting pairs in FITASC Sporting.



Welcome to the fifth article in the fourth CPSA How to Hit Series. In this article, I'm going to be concentrating on pairs in FITASC, having covered singles in the last article.

As I explained in previous articles, in a FITASC competition you are going to experience pairs on every peg, either on-report, simultaneous, or rafale. With on-report, the second target is sent on report of the gun going off when the first target is shot at. With simultaneous pairs, both targets are thrown at once, and it is up to the shooter to determine in which order he wants to shoot them.

Simultaneous pairs will only be shown to the first shooter shooting the pairs by the referee, and each shooter in the squad has then got to work out which way they are going to shoot them, for example A then B, or B then A. The first shooter to see the sim pair will have the opportunity to see them twice, just like in English Sporting.

Rafale is a target presentation that is called a 'following pair' in English Sporting. It is the same target thrown from the same trap twice, but not on-report of the gun, instead based on the cocking speed of the trap. So as soon as the trap is cocked, the referee presses the button again and sends it again. 'Rafale' is

French for 'burst' – this target is effectively a burst of two of the same target.

Now we are going to look at how I would shoot both pairs that are on the menu at Peg 1 of this layout. The reason we've started with this peg is because there's very little footwork movement needed. The only foot movement that is needed is when I change firing position, or the shooting position, from between the pairs.

The first pair is A from the left and C from the right, on-report. As you can see

from the flight line shown on the map of the layout to the right, the break point for both is roughly the area to the left of the two towers, and that is where I'm going to set my feet. Once I'm set, I will take the gun back to my hold point for target A and call 'pull', shoot it, then come back to my hold point for target C, and shoot it. The difference between how I shoot this and the singles (apart from being two targets) is the change in speed

Below: As stated, Simon has set his feet to emphasise a comfortable break point for target E, in the picture on the right. The picture on the left shows that he has therefore had to twist his body considerably to the left for his un-mounted hold point for target D, which ensures that after shooting it he has a smooth movement to pick up target E, and on to breaking it.





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of the two targets. The first one is quite a fast, close, target, and the second is a slow long one, which gives me time to go back, drop the gun off my shoulder, and pick up the second target. Another difference between this and the singles is, although the first target has to be shot with the gun down beneath the line on

my skeet vest, for the second one the gun can stay up in the cheek, or you can drop it again out of the shoulder as low as you like, as long as it's in the shoulder when the shot's taken. No foot movement at all is required to shoot that pair.

The second pair on the menu is D followed by E. I have to turn close to 180 degrees in the hoop from where I shot the first pair to now shoot this pair. (please see the map of the layout below).

D is a rising standard target going left to right, and E is a chandelle, again left to right. My footwork on this one is very important. The previous pair was a left to right and a right to left. However, this time the gun will be swinging left to right on both targets. Being a right-handed shooter, should I get my foot position wrong, there's every chance I can push

the gun off my face and roll my shoulder too far downward as I lean to get the second shot in. So the position of my feet for this one will be toward the break point for the E target. This way, I can then come back and shoot the D target, keep the gun moving over, pick up the E target, pull ahead and shoot it before I swing so far right as to be uncomfortable. If I instead emphasized

the D break point, and I come across to E, then there's every chance I'd be rolling my shoulder trying to stretch to hit it.

Prior to shooting the pair, I set myself where I was comfortable on the second (target E) break point, took the gun back to the first (target D) break point and ensured that I was still comfortable, and then down the flightline to where I was going to hold the gun. I called 'pull', locked on, pushed ahead of the first target, took the shot, and brought the gun across.

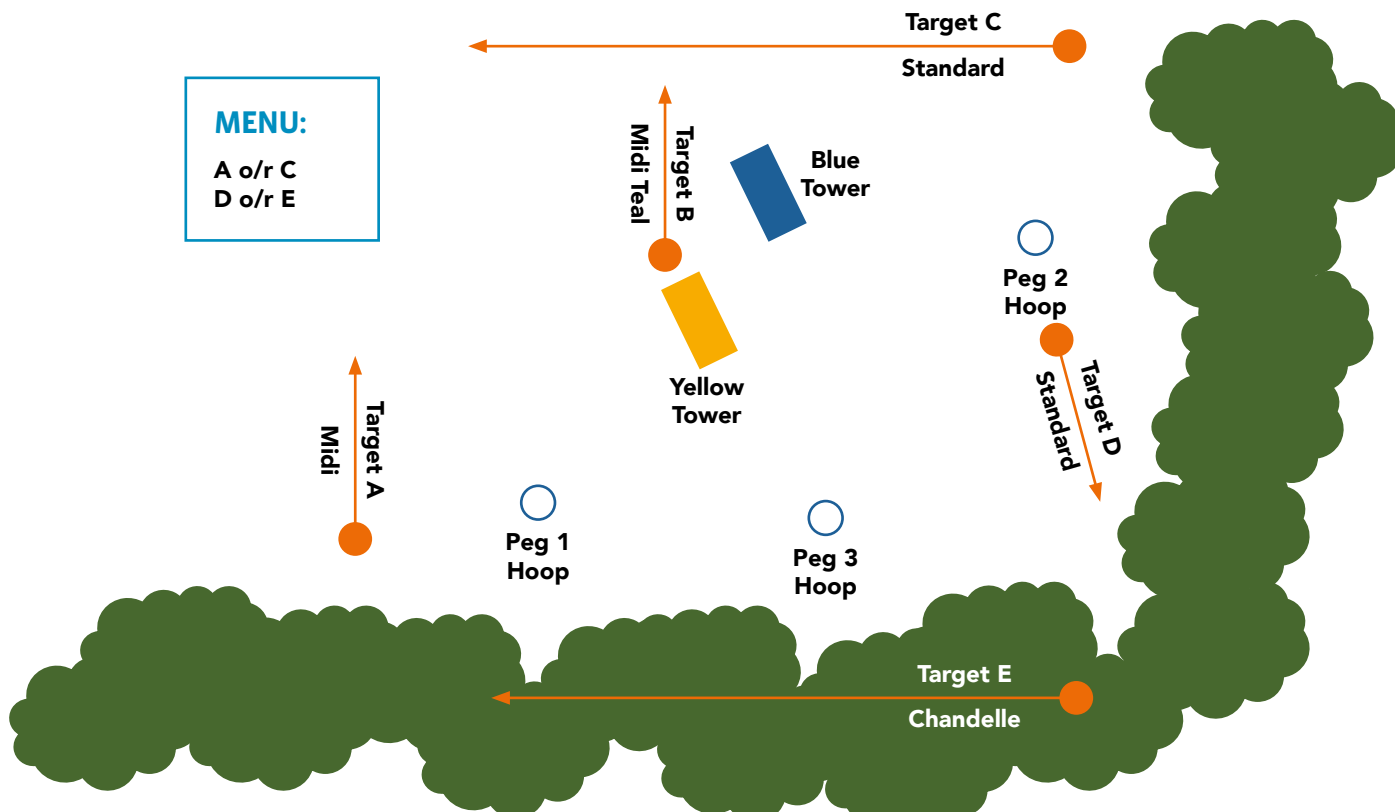
I didn't bring the gun down very far after shooting the first target this time, as I could see the second target plainly emerging from the trees. I picked it up, locked on, pulled ahead and shot just above the trees just after the apex of flight.

And that's how you shoot a pair of targets on a FITASC Sporting layout with minimal movement of the feet. In the next and final episode of the series, we're moving on to small movement and then maximum movement of the pairs, just to show you that you can turn the body in 180 degrees in the middle of a pair and still shoot a pair of targets safely. 🍌

THANKS To Southdown Gun Club for their invaluable help with this series.

MENU:

A o/r C
D o/r E



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By William Gilbert.

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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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HOW I STARTED

I became interested in shooting when I was six; and as I could not go to the rifle ranges with my father, he bought a .410 shotgun for me to shoot clays on the farm under his supervision. With my father's guidance and full support I started shooting Sporting. Like him, I found the Trap disciplines more enjoyable, so I started to focus on DTL and ABT. I shot my first competition aged 11, at the Norfolk County ABT Championship with a 12g Browning A1.

Since then I have changed guns several times – I now use a Browning B2G and a Beretta DT11 X Trap which is my competition gun.



SPONSORSHIP

I am very lucky to be sponsored by Laporte-CPC who provide practice clays for me to use at my local ground The Priory CTC and at home. I am also sponsored by Eley Hawk Ltd, who help me to shoot more of my favourite cartridges – VIP Trap and Olympic Blues.

In the future I would like to obtain sponsorship for a gun and Pilla Performance Eyewear.

POST-LOCKDOWN PLANS

I plan to go to as many Registered Shoots as I can now that the restrictions have been relaxed. I just want to do as much shooting as possible, so I can get back to where I was before the three-month break due to the Coronavirus.

GREATEST SUCCESSES

My greatest success so far has been at the ABT Home International in Scotland, where my England teammates Cory Doble, Lucas Hyde, and I won the Junior Team trophy. My 2019 season culminated with my first in Junior and 16th Overall placings in the ABT Top 20 Rankings. I believe these contributed to me being selected as a finalist in the CPSA Emerging Shooter of the Year 2020 category.

DISCIPLINES

I mainly shoot ABT, DR, and OTR. Having mainly focused on ABT for the past five years I want to focus more on OTR, and I hope to one day compete for GBR at the Olympic Games.



WILLIAM'S TOP TIPS

TIP 1 Find a gun and cartridge combination that feels comfortable for you.

TIP 2 Study the targets and then consider what effects the conditions may have on them.

TIP 3 Watch the people at the top of the scoreboard and learn from how they do it.

TIP 4 There is no set way of shooting, so develop a technique that works for you.

TIP 5 To gain confidence, start by shooting easy targets in good conditions.



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LISTEN **UP**

Deke Frickey, Sales Manager (UK & International), Puretone Ltd
talks hearing protection.

Hearing protection has come a long way in recent years. What was once considered, if at all, to be an annoyance for some, or an indulgence worthy of ridicule for others, is now being recognised as the necessity that it is.

Hearing protection has long been mandatory in the workplace when noise levels are beyond a given threshold, and if we look at the precedents set by crash helmets on motorcycles or seat belts in cars, it's not beyond reason to predict that the legal requirement for hearing protection may eventually be extended into our leisure activities.

ELECTRONIC ADVANCES

Amongst one of the big advances we've seen in the hearing protection market is with electronic systems. No longer the niche product it once was, electronic noise protection is now hugely popular, with lots of optional extras to tempt you in. Starting at around £300, electronic hearing protection may seem an extravagance – however – the benefits of using such systems are manifold. Primarily, electronic devices overcome the most fundamental objection most people have to using hearing protection in the first place – the reduction in the ability to hear ambient sounds or engage in conversation.

Electronic devices contain a microphone and amplifier that overcome, and compensate, for the fact that you are wearing earplugs, and only suppress the

loud and damaging noise levels of the gunshot. The end result is that while your ears are fully protected, you can still hear normal sounds around you and can converse with others unhindered.

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Our ears are as unique as our fingerprints and while generic fit ear plugs are available, it is always best

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RIZZINI BR460

The BR460 is a shotgun for the serious-minded shooter. The action is machined from a monolithic forging and is fitted with Rizzini's detachable trigger unit, which features 'captive' coil springs to ensure longevity. The barrels are available with standard bore size as well as the overbored 'XL' version, and three rib variations are also available – 11x11, 11x8 and a ramped 11x7 rib – and length up to 34". The engraving is intentionally sparse, but sits elegantly in the black action, and for those looking for something a little more luxurious, there is an EL version available, with stunning engraving and upgraded walnut.

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THE ZOLI PERNICE

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The Pernice features silver soldered barrels, which comes as standard with all Zoli shotguns, and is equipped with a top solid Churchill rib. The stock is crafted from a fine Turkish Walnut with hand checkering and is hand finished in a luxe oil. Currently available in 20GA with the 12GA launching this year.

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Just a small note to say the NOE committee are monitoring the progress of grounds reopening, and registered shoots starting to take place again. With regards to championships recommencing this is still uncertain at this point in time.

Please keep an eye on the website and Facebook pages for further information.
Terry Deakin

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Cheshire's Rising Stars

The past 12 months or so has been a stellar time for Cheshire Juniors. There are more Juniors taking part in competitive shooting than ever before, and they are getting great results. Cheshire County Junior Champions are: James Barnett All Round, Toby Hurstfield DTL and Single Barrel, Ben Rimmer English Sporting, Tom Watson Olympic trap, and Tom Woodcock Sportrap.

At West Midlands Inter-Counties level, the team of Eddie Morris, Fred Whitehurst, and Ben Rimmer won Juniors Gold in English Sporting. Whilst in DTL, the team

of Toby Hurstfield, Tom Roberts and Ellie Hardy took Juniors Silver. Toby Hurstfield also won West Midlands Area Individual Bronze. To all Cheshire Juniors, your County is very proud of you, and we wish you every success in the future.

An interview with Toby Hurstfield
At what age did you start shooting, and how did you get started? I first started shooting when I was seven years old. I started learning with my dad who is a great coach and taught me from a young age.

What was your first gun? My first gun was an Italian 410 which I got for my Seventh birthday, we had to cut the stock more or less in half as it was a bit long when I first picked it up, and I still use that gun now and again.

How many disciplines have you tried? I have tried about five different disciplines and liked them all but there are only two that I liked more than the others. They are OT and DTL. I only really shoot DTL, but this year I have started on the British Shooting talent pathway, just to try out OT for a change.

Who influenced your early years the most? That has to be my dad, as he used to take me out shooting with him. I would sit and watch him, and then he started to



Toby Hurstfield.

teach me how to shoot properly.

What has been your highlights? Last year as a whole. Some of my highlights being the England selection shoots where I shot some of my best scores. At Nottingham and District I shot 269 and 268. Then North of England for 283 and 289. On to Brook Bank in Somerset where I shot 284 and 278. Next was the Bywell weekend where I came third in Colts on the sponsored day. I won C class and came second in Colts on the Dougall Memorial day, and on the English Open day I came third in Colts again. After this weekend I had a phone call from Bryan at Malmo Guns, asking if I would

be interested in sponsorship, which I immediately said yes to, and I am very thankful to them for this. I am very grateful for the support and encouragement that I have received.

What are your hopes for the future?

Hopefully make the England team, to complete the illusive 100/300 and also hopefully gain a bit more sponsorship.

Ladies Clay Shooting League

Lucy Earl started shooting with the Ladies Clay Shooting League in 2019. She supported all disciplines and in the competitions and achieved three High Gun awards, three gold badges, one bronze badge, and has been a member of the winning team events throughout the year. She claimed Runner-Up Overall for 2019.

2020 got off to a flying start for Lucy with sponsorship from Lyalvale Express Team and a gold award with High Gun at Catton Hall on our first LCSL event of the 2020 season. Lucy is a pleasure to watch, she makes clay breaking look easy. We wish Lucy all the best with her shooting career and it has been a pleasure to have her shoot with us at the Ladies Clay Shooting League.

Coronavirus

Following the recent relaxation in government restrictions, the following shooting grounds are now open with social distancing and special measures in place. Holmes Chapel, Doveridge, Mickley Hall, Garlands, and Catton Hall. Please check with the ground before travelling, as the special measures vary from place to place.

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County Championships and Selections

After much discussion and consultation with grounds that are holding either County Championships or Selections, the Committee have made the tough decision to cancel all of this years County Championships and selections.

Should the West Midlands Inter County Team events take place, Team Managers will select the teams based on current scores/averages, ability and availability.

We hope that you will all understand this very tough decision that we have made with the health and safety of our County shooters paramount.

Derbyshire CPSA Committee



Zea Purnell.



Joe Hale (left) and Ben Malecki (right) practicing social distancing.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE



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24-25 May: Westfield structured practice

This was the first shoot to reopen with new social distancing measures in place, that have been developed with the CPSA to Government guidelines.

The system worked flawlessly with shooters completing a 100-bird course in under 90 minutes.

Noted Gloucestershire shooters scores: Rob Wise 92, Adrian Johnson 88, Stu Keen 85.

Steve Lovatt has worked tirelessly on ground improvents over the last few months, including new and improved sporting stands with all new fencing on the stands, and a brand new Sportrap. All added to a fantastic shooting experience.

New Gloucestershire Sporting Rankings Top ten issue 59

1 Chris Biddlecombe 92.76%, 2 Steve Lovatt 91.2%, 3 Matt Turk 90.86%, 4 Rob Wise 90.67%, 5 Nick Portlock 89.07%, 6 Adrian Johnson 88.47%, 7 Rich Webb 88.2%, 8 Harry Lovatt 88.07%, 9 Ernie Wilkins 97.75%, 10 Joe Hale 87.64%

Competition

Last months winners were Sue Tippet and Nick Portlock.

To win a fishing rod courtesy of the Lure Lounge, kindly sponsored by Martin Ferrett – can you identify the Gloucestershire Veteran below? please email Matt with your answer.



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As I write at the end of May, shooting grounds have begun a phased return to clay shooting, with restrictions on practice only and no registered competitions taking place as of yet. I therefore have a couple of photos for you to look at from the past yet again.



5 April 2003 H&W Single Barrel at Sporting Heights Brian Smith Vets, Richie Thomas County Champ, Linda Palmer Ladies, Chris Moule Bronze.



19 April 2003 H&W All Round at Sporting Heights Linden Partridge Ladies, Gerald Kings Vets, Simon Jones Juniors, Chris Moule County Champ, Rob Thomas Silver, Ian Palmer Bronze.



22 June 2003 WM Area ESkeet at Gloucester – well these three have grown a bit since then, Paul Tudge – Gloucester, Simon Jones – H&W and Martin Keatley – Gloucester.

Forthcoming dates

4 Jul H&W E/Sporting CC, Longridge telephone entries only
26 Jul H&W DTL CC, Park Farm telephone entries only

STAFFORDSHIRE



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Letter of thanks

I would like to place on record the thanks of myself and the Staffordshire

CPSA committee to the CPSA for the way they have communicated with members during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

In what has been an incredibly challenging and worrying time for everyone, the sport's governing body has done a first class job in not only keeping everyone updated on developments, but also ensuring that the interests of the sport have been represented at the highest level.

The regular communication we have all received from Iain Parker and John Martin (among others) on both the website and Facebook have been very welcome, and I know many have been working hard behind the scenes to support them.

Clearly, we are not through this yet but it's important that the governing body is recognised for its efforts on our behalf.

Thank you and very best wishes.

Steve Kilner, Secretary

New Committee Member

We would like to extend a very warm welcome to the latest recruit to the Staffordshire CPSA committee, Ash Hayward. Ash has only been shooting for a year but has not only already demonstrated his prowess with a 12-bore, but has now become an active member of the committee, with some great ideas to engage with members. Ash will be part of our media and communications team.

Meet the 2020 Committee

Over the next few weeks we'll tell you a little bit about the people who run Staffordshire CPSA in a new feature on our Facebook page called 'Meet the Committee'.

First up is our esteemed Chairman, Steve Ward, and each week we'll introduce a new committee member. Follow us on Facebook at StaffordshireCPSA to read more.

Website

As mentioned, we've recently refreshed our Facebook page and will be adding new features over the coming weeks.

We'll also be looking to update and refresh our Website in the coming weeks.

County Championships update

In light of the current restrictions in place around the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, regrettably it is likely that we will be cancelling all of our Staffordshire County Championship events for 2020, however this is under constant review. Should we be able to run any this year, details will be published on our website www.cpsa.co.uk/staffordshire and Facebook page StaffordshireCPSA.

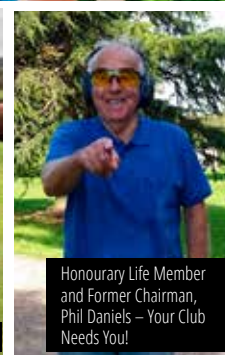
Whatever happens, we plan to have a superb 2021! We'll also be looking to recognise the contribution of Key Workers through some of our trophies. More details to follow in due course.



Mick Buckless.



Ash Hayward



Honourary Life Member and Former Chairman, Phil Daniels – Your Club Needs You!



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As I write, the CPSA have just issued a notice to say that registered shoots



2020 Committee.

can resume. All the Cambridgeshire Championship shoots for June had been postponed, and arrangements are now in hand to see if and when they might be rearranged. Discussions are being held with the relevant grounds to consider not only dates for the postponed shoots, but also the practicalities of holding planned future shoots, to ensure that regulations are followed. Details will be placed on the Cambridgeshire CPSA website.

We are looking forward to resuming competitions, albeit in what will be very different circumstances, certainly in the early months. I hope and wish you all well and look forward to getting back to some normality in the near future.

Hello to you all again, I hope that you are all fit and well and that you have cleaned your guns, the car and got the summer plants in the garden, heaven only knows we've had plenty of time!

As I'm sure you are all aware, there has been no movement on our fixture list due to the Coronavirus outbreak, but as I indicated in the June issue, things were perhaps on the move.

Some of our county grounds have opened up with restrictions, being the practicing of social distancing and smaller numbers in squads. This is something that we must adhere to and the clubs are dealing with it in their usual proficiency, well done and thank you.

You'll find a list of the open clubs on our website and on Facebook, but please contact the ground before travelling.

Our committee's task for the future is to look at the fixture list and see how much we can salvage.

Now for the not so good news. One of our prominent trap shooters, David Kendrick has sadly passed away. David was a committee member for many years and specialised in trap disciplines.

LEICESTERSHIRE & RUTLAND



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He served in 101 teams, and was known far and wide for his ability to turn shoot scoreboards upside-down. I remember some years back, shooters would say 'look-out here comes David Kendrick, watch the scores change'. I'm sure that he will be remembered for his great skill and being a gentleman. The County would like to express their condolences to Liz, his wife, and the family.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE



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Well thank goodness the Government eased restrictions for outdoor sporting activities! I am not sure if the intervening time will have affected my skills, so I will now take more time to think of the things I was taught to do when approaching the stand. I think my scores will be down from the dizzy heights of mediocrity that they once were, but I am hoping that the same cannot be said for all of you.

A notification went out on 13 May that restrictions could ease, and that a phased return to shooting could take place under strict conditions of social distancing and grouping. The rules initially were for pay and play practice events, with squads of two shooters, socially distancing. I'm not

sure where the trapper would be in this scenario – hopefully somewhere where the breaking of clays could be seen. This would mean that shooters could practice their sport, but no competitions could take place. I heard of a straw bale event that had about 30 shooters attending, but that many of the bigger grounds didn't open.

It was announced that from 1 June, groups of six could gather outside, still socially distancing, and this has given the impetus to more grounds and clubs to open for practice.

Northants CPSA Committee is currently reviewing the competition season and will continue to post updated information on the website and Facebook pages.

It is usually at this time that the committee begin the planning for the annual presentation evening, held at Delapre Golf complex, to celebrate with the winners of all the county discipline competitions.

What are your thoughts about the event for this year? The committee would be pleased to have any feedback about the holding of this event in 2020. You can email the address at the top of this article, or contact Roy or Marty.

Take care and stay safe and healthy.

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE



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At time of writing, the lockdown restrictions are starting to ease with some shooting grounds across the country starting to slowly re-open, with competitions starting to take place.

I hope you and your families are staying well during these difficult times.

There are lots of people keen to get back to the sport we all love. I imagine there are many itchy trigger fingers

amongst the county and further afield, eager to get out shooting!

At least there is now a light at the end of the tunnel and we are looking forwards to moving our shooting community forwards in a safe and practical way.

As we do start to get out and about amongst the county, it is important that shooters ensure they have read and fully understood the individual grounds rules. The majority of shooting grounds are operating on a pre-booking system, and therefore it is important not to just turn up, and to check before travelling. It is crucial that we maintain social distancing to ensure the safety of our sport. I, on behalf of the committee and its members, would like to thank the CPSA for its continued efforts in what they've done and continue to do so during the Covid-19 pandemic for its members.

Through email correspondence, the Nottinghamshire Committee have made the decision to cancel all Nottinghamshire County Championship shoots for this year.

This will also mean no Supreme Champions for 2020.

If any East Midlands events are to go ahead, the team managers will pick a team based on the CPSA scores to date.

Supreme County Championship winners vouchers from 2019 will be honoured for 2021. Whilst I am sure this will be disappointing for many, the decision was made with the health and wellbeing of all shooters in mind.

We hope that 2021 will be a better year for us all, and hope that Nottinghamshire shooters use what's left of the 2020 season to get out practicing in readiness to be very competitive in 2021!

Hopefully next time we write, we may be able to bring some competition results to you.

Don't forget if you've got anything you'd like to add in please do get in touch.



The County Silverware.

SOUTH WEST

CORNWALL



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Restrictions are now being lifted, to allow us to shoot for practice only. We are all truly thankful to the great efforts of the directors of the CPSA in ensuring we have

the backing from government to do so. Here in Cornwall, a few grounds have opened with limitations to cover the rules and regulations we still live with, and to ensure that social distancing is adhered to. We must now book in advance to shoot a sporting layout of 100-birds, shoot in pairs and also pack a picnic. With future relaxations of the lockdown, squads may be increased, however it seems unlikely that the social distancing requirement will be relaxed.

I have been one of the first people taking advantage of grounds opening, and I have to say working from home for

the last ten weeks it was good to get out again. That is not to say that I did not worry about attending the first shoot – I had visions of crowds of people rushing out to break up the boredom of lockdown. I should not have worried as each ground I have attended have made sure there are gaps between squads (if you can call two people a squad) and that hygiene is paramount.

I am very fortunate to shoot with my wife – we have on previous occasions had to shoot in a two woman squad, recognising when we did that the juggling of buttoning and scoring meant you don't

get a good look at the targets, so it's like being the first person in a squad to shoot at every stand. That part of the new rules is familiar to us and luckily we do not need to distance between ourselves. And whilst our scores have not been personal bests, it has been wonderful to get back to taking part in the sport again. Shooting Sportrap and Skeet has been a little more of a familiar experience, just making sure when you move stands or wait to shoot we do so at a distance from the other person taking part.

We have been so lucky also to have had good weather, so that waiting for our allotted time to shoot at a ground with plenty of space, we have been able to enjoy the sunshine rather than being cooped up in the car. We do however miss the banter from fellow shooters and just being around a bunch of great people. There have been advantages – having the A30 (the main road through our county) almost to ourselves being the greatest.

We, as a county, realise that there are many of you who are unable to get back out due to medical conditions, and/or unwilling to risk being away from their homes to take part in the sport. Please

know that you are missed, but we all understand that each of us has to make our own choices and we hope it will not be too much longer before we are able albeit to get back to some sort of competition.

As always please keep in touch by looking at our Facebook page.

WILTSHIRE



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As you're all no doubt aware, lockdown is beginning to be lifted, however we still have no idea when – or if – competitions will restart. Maybe we can reorganise some of the missed competitions, but we may have to resign ourselves to writing 2020 off as far as competitions are concerned.

County Championships

Most of the dates have been agreed, but as to how many will actually happen we have no idea as of yet. Please treat the dates below as advisory.

Sporting Challenge

We hope to run the Sporting Challenge this year, again subject to how well we deal with Coronavirus. Sponsorship is also likely to be reduced this year as businesses recover from the inevitable hit they will suffer.

Inter-County Championships

With your support we intend to enter as many Inter-County competitions as we can find teams for, and provided Coronavirus lets us play!

Social Media

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

Advised forthcoming dates

19 Jul	DTL County, Urchfont
26 Jul	Sporting Challenge, Widdington
11 Aug	Single Barrel County, Urchfont
14-15 Aug	FITASC County, Ham Cross
16 Aug	Sporting Challenge, Meadowcroft
31 Aug	Compak County, Barbury
13 Sep	Sportrap County, Barbury
20 Sep	English Skeet, Gloucester
11 Oct	Sporting Challenge, Gunsite

SOUTH EAST

ESSEX



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It is great news that grounds are now able to open, and hopefully in time the competitions will follow. I would like to ask our members to keep an eye on our website for when the county shoots can be put on.

Enjoy your shooting and we will look forward to seeing you on the grounds soon, keep well and keep safe.

HERTFORDSHIRE



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Dates for County Sportrap, FITASC, and Sporting to be announced soon.

Secretaries update

Alfie and I have managed to visit a few grounds since the lockdown has

begun to ease, and I have to say the Covid-19 precautions are excellent. Social distancing rules being followed and observed excellently, so please support our local grounds in the coming months.

Herts grounds Updates

LVSA (Herts) are now open for sporting practice Wednesdays and Saturdays 10am-4pm, and other days are available to book by contacting Dan via email below. They are taking bookings for access to three layouts with six targets on each, mobile buttons that are cleaned before use. Bookings dan.mcdonnell@lvsa.org.uk.

Atkin Grant and Lang (Markyate) are open for practice Tuesday-Saturday and Sunday Morning. Stands are 16 – two-six targets on each, with hand sanitizer at each stand. Bookings 01582 849382.

A1 Shooting Ground have opened their Olympic Trap and Sporting layouts. Customers will be able to choose a two-hour slot from Wednesdays to Saturdays 10am-12 noon, 12 noon-2pm, 2pm-4pm. On Sundays, due to time restrictions, times slots will be limited to 10am-11:30 and 11:30-1pm. Bookings 0208 441 9986 or email claudio@a1sg.co.uk.

Moreton Massey Gun Club (Hunsdon) – 07855 403902.

Chesham Gun Club – 01494 773523
petershepherd1957@hotmail.com

Codicote Bottom CTC –

www.codicotebottomctc.co.uk 07768 714774 alan@afculley.co.uk.

Little Amwell Gun Club – 07802 974207 w.maisey@ntlworld.com.

Keys Clay Club –
keyscayclub@gmail.com.

All information is correct at time of writing this report – please check with grounds directly as Covid-19 rules are changing regularly.

Stories and comments

Please send in any stories or comments to the Herts Committee, or if you would like 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.

OXFORDSHIRE



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We are now in week nine of lockdown and slowly life seems to be returning to what is the new normal. I hope you are all

keeping yourselves safe and well, looking forward to returning to clay shooting.

I understand many clay ground owners are working very hard to put into place the necessary safety requirements that have been asked of them in order that we can return to clay shooting. Westfield has been the first venue in the area to re-open by following government guidelines. Steve Lovatt, along with Richard Faulds, Tanya Faulds, and the CPSA's Nicola Heron have been busy behind the scenes, working out a very precise way of being able to run a 100-bird layout without compromising safety.

Booking times are offered to shooters in pairs who are required to start on stand one, with two further pairs of shooters following them at appointed waiting places. This makes it possible for six shooters to snake their way around the ground, following the course from stand one to stand 12 without coming into contact. So far it is proving to be very efficient as shooters are able to make their way around the full course in less than one hour.

Shooters will not come into contact with anything other than their own attire. As all shooters have had to pre-book slots, this means all score cards can be pre-printed and are already with the scorers/referees on each stand. Hand sanitiser is available to all on each stand which altogether makes it a very pleasant experience.

At this time, competitions are not yet running, but so much work is being done on all our behalves to enable this to happen. *[Please note that Registered shooting did return after this was written and submitted for publication.]* It is down to the hard work of good people that this new system may enable registered shoots to return. I am sure many of you will agree they are doing a sterling job for us.

As yet the committee has not been able to confirm new dates for County Championships to be held, but rest assured as soon as we have further details it will be posted on our Facebook page. Any news which you feel deserves a mention please email me and I will do my best to get it in print for you.

Happy, safe-distance shooting everyone.

SURREY



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Greetings from the Surrey committee – we hope you are all well and have been able to enjoy the enforced break from clay shooting with some family or gardening time, and crossed a few jobs off of that to-do list. At the time of writing, the CPSA, in accordance with the latest easing of restrictions, are announcing that clay shooting (including registered competitions) can re-start.

As a member of the CPSA board, I have witnessed first-hand the tremendous amount of effort that has gone on behind the scenes to get clay shooting included in the Government's easing of restrictions on leisure and sporting activities. Dr John Martin, the CPSA Chairman, and the Board of Directors (who are all unpaid volunteers) have worked hard to keep in touch with the grounds and members, and have produced guideline documents for grounds to risk assess and adopt safe working practices with respect to social distancing.

The CPSA CEO, Iain Parker, has been in regular contact with the Home Office, the Sports Minister, and the National Police Chief's Council, to ensure that clay shooting is clearly included in the lifting

of restrictions and to ensure consistency of the Police Forces in the application of the guidelines. Thank you to all of the Board and Head Office staff for helping our sport to recommence and continue.

If you are one of the members who have not renewed his year, please re-join now if you are able. Your subscriptions are needed more than ever to allow the CPSA to recommence their work on re-planning championships, obtain funding, and secure what were very promising sponsorship deals for the future good of our sport.

The NCSC at Bisley are one of our local clubs who have given good support to the Surrey committee over the years, and they were one of the first to recommence shooting with pre-booked slots and monitored social distancing. It is hoped that we can resume our County Trap and Skeet Championships in conjunction with the NCSC, and keep our Supreme Championship running. We will publish changes and updates to fixtures on our website.

Provisional County Championship dates are listed below, please check the Surrey CPSA website for confirmation and pre-book with the ground before travelling.

Forthcoming dates

5 Jul	Olympic Trap - NCSC Bisley - Supreme points event
19 Jul	Down-the-line - Bisley Gun Club - Supreme points event



DSG



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We are pleased some people are back out shooting. We look forward to reporting on some form of shoots

next month.

We request that now people are shooting again that they pay their subscriptions and register on the new website. www.disabledsg.co.uk

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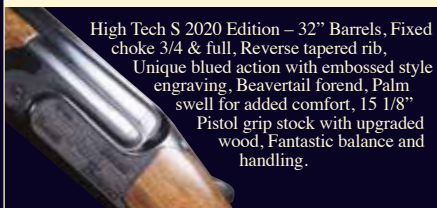


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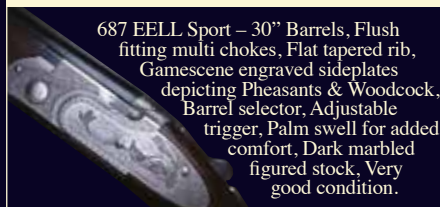
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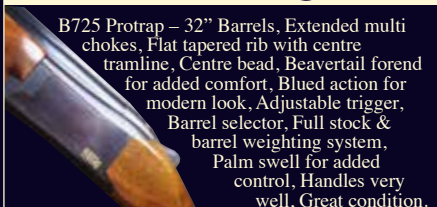
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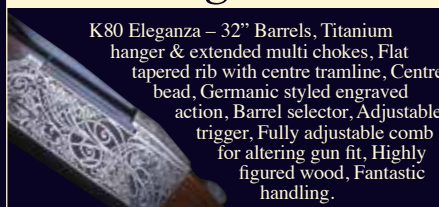
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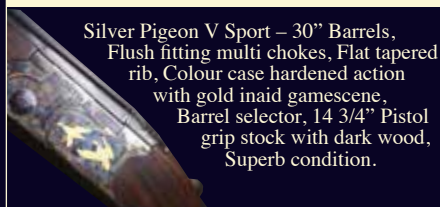
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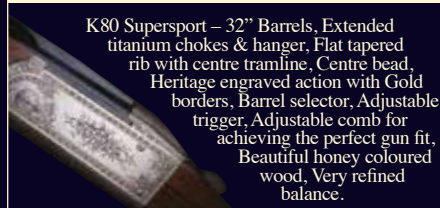
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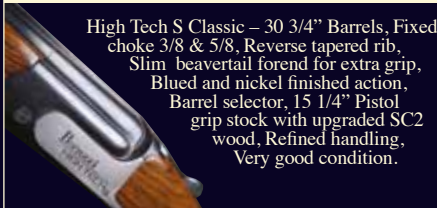
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PLEASE NOTE

As of 14 May, clubs and grounds were advised that they could reopen as Coronavirus restrictions ease, however not all have opened and those that have may have restricted hours and offerings. We recommend that you call grounds in advance or check websites and social media to confirm hours and social distancing measures that are in effect. At time of print, most grounds will not be offering food and drink, nor retail facilities. See the CPSA's current guidance for grounds at cpsa.co.uk/staysafe.

NORTH

CUMBRIA

A COCKERMOUTH CTSA

SA-TH CLOSED, FR 17:30-19:00

01900 824589 • Club shoots every Friday evening, 17 April to 4 Sept 2020. Season opener - Good Friday 10 Apr 12.30pm - 3pm. • ESP • NB: Fibre wad only

R PENRITH & DISTRICT GUN CLUB LTD

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Open 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month • ABT, DTL, ESP • 01697 361024

DURHAM

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MO-TU, TH-SA CLOSED. WE 18:00-20:45.

SU 09:00-12:00

0191 3772412 • AR, ABT, CSP, DR, DTL, ESK, ESP, STR

LANCASHIRE

R BLACKPOOL SPORTING CLAYS LTD

MO,TU,TH CLOSED. WE, FR, SA 12:00-16:00. SU 10:00-14:00

Summer opening times for Wednesday are 12:00-20:00 • blackpoolsportingclays.co.uk • 07854 035828 • ABT, CSP, DTL, ESP

A LOCOMOTION ONE CTSC

MO-SA CLOSED. SU 10:00-13:30

Open all year every fortnight on a Sunday • loco-oneclaytargetshooting.com • ESP • No need to book. Just turn up. Novices or experienced shooters welcome.



NORTHUMBERLAND

P BYWELL SHOOTING GROUND

MO CLOSED, TU-SA 9.30-17.30

Open on Sunday only for Reg shoots, see fixtures • Open practice WE 12.30-17.00, SA 10.00-17.00, must book all other times. • bywellshootingground.co.uk • 01670 787827 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, FSP, DR, STR • Airgun and air pistol Ranges.

P STEVE SMITHS SHOOTING GROUND

MO,TH CLOSED. TU, WE, FR, SA 10:00-16:30.

SU 10:00-15:00

Late Night shooting (19:30) on Wed and Fri May-end of Aug • stevesmiths.co.uk • 016618 22444 • ABT, CSP, DTL, OTR, STR, UT • Airgun and air pistol ranges.

YORKSHIRE

P CONISTON SHOOTING GROUND

MO CLOSED. TU-FR 09:30-17:00,

SA-SU 09:30-13:30

conistonshootingground.co.uk • 01756 748586 • DTL, ESK, ESP, FSP, SKD

P EAST YORKSHIRE CLAY SHOOTING GROUND

MO-TU CLOSED. WE,FR, SA, SU 10:00-17:00.

TH 10:00-20:00

Every Saturday registered DTL entries 10:00-14:00. Thurs late night shooting May to September. • eastyorkshire-clayshootingground.co.uk • 01964 204190 • ABT, CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, FSP, OSK, OTR, STR, UT • High Tower.

A KNARESBOROUGH DISTRICT GUN CLUB

MO, TU, WE, FR CLOSED. TH 12:00-15:30.

SA 13:00-16:00. SU 10:30-13:00

Open other days by appointment. Open Wednesday evening for ten weeks from start of Nov. Open Tuesday evenings Apr-Sep from 17:00-20:00. Then please add: 'Closed Sundays before Bank Holidays Mondays, but open on the Bank Holiday from 10:30-13:00' • 07852 785590 • DTL, ESP, STR

P PARK LODGE SHOOTING SCHOOL

WE-SU 9:00-17:00, MO, TU CLOSED

Late Night shooting (19:30) on Wed and Fri May-end of Aug • parklodgeshootingschool.co.uk • 07931 554986 • FSP, STR, DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, AR.

P NORTH OF ENGLAND C.T.C

MO-SA 09.00-16.00. SU CLOSED

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday by arrangement only

• noeac.co.uk • 01904 738120 • DTL, ESK, ESP, STR, ABT, OSK, FSP

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WEST MIDLANDS

CHESHIRE

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SAT 10:00-16:00 SU 10:30-15:00

cattonhall.co.uk • 01928 788295 • 100 ESP REG every 4th Sunday, excluding Bank Holiday Weekends where the shoot is on the Monday. • ESP • Good access road

R HOLMES CHAPEL SHOOTING GROUND

MO-TU, SAT CLOSED. WE-FRI 10:00-18:00.

SU 09:30-13:00

Reg. shoots on the second and fourth Sunday • We must finish shooting by 18:30 in summer • holmeschapelsg.com • 01477 518444 • DTL • Tuition by appointment with CPSA-qualified Instructor.

DERBYSHIRE

A DARLEY DALE CPSC

MO-SA CLOSED. SU 10:00-12:30

2nd & 4th Sun • ddcpsc.org.uk • 07929 108619 • ESP

P DOVERIDGE CLAY SPORTS CENTRE

MO, TU CLOSED. WE-SAT 10:00-17:00.

SU 10:00-14:30

Open Bank Holiday Mondays 10:00-14:00 • doveridgeclaysports.co.uk • 01889 565986 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OTR, OSK, FSP, CSP, STR • Please call to confirm discipline availability.

A OCKBROOK GUN CLUB

MO-SA CLOSED. SU 08:45-10:00

ockbrookgunclub.co.uk • 07909920722 • 50 birds ESP Members shoots, guests are welcome. Occasional 30 Birds ESP & 30 bird two-shooter Flush. • ESP • Only portable site toilets available.



OLD GLOSSOP CLAY SG

MO-SA CLOSED. SU 10:00-13:00

Registered English Sporting Competitions 1st & 3rd Sun each month. • oldglossopclaysg.co.uk • 07508 363918 • ESP, STR

YEAVELEY ESTATE & SHOOTING SCHOOL

MO-SA 09:00-DUSK. SU 09:30-13:30

All shooting ceases 1hr before sunset. All shooting by appointment only • yeaveley-estate.co.uk • 01335 330247 • ABT, DTL, ESP

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

CORINIUM CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING CLUB

SU 10:00-13:00. MO-SA CLOSED

Sporting shoot every other Sunday. Check website for dates. Book in between 10:00 and 10:15. Squadded. Guests welcome. • ccpsc.co.uk/index.html • 01453 884268

IAN COLEY SHOOTING SCHOOL

MO-SA 09:00-17:00. SU CLOSED

iancoley.co.uk • 01242 870391 • ESP, DTL • Tuition & Gun Fitting by appt. Pay & Play practice for licence holders. REG ESP 1st Weds every month Mar-Sep. Corporate Events, Stag & Hen Parties.

WESTFIELD SHOOTING GROUND

theclayshootingcompany.com • 07342 338390 • ESP, FSP, CSP, STR • See fixtures for registered shoots.

HEREFORD & WORCESTER

KIDDERMINSTER GUN CLUB

MO, TU, TH-SU CLOSED. WE 18:00-21:00

kgc.me.uk • 01562 632405 • ABT, DTL, ESK, ESP, SKD

LONGRIDGE SHOOTING GROUND

MO-TH, SU CLOSED. FR-SA 10:00-16:00

07971447138 • Registered shoots once or twice a month. Please text or call to check that we are open • Open for practice every Friday and two Saturdays a month • CSP, ESP, FITASC, STR • Food available on Reg shoots only. Tea & coffee always.

PARK FARM SHOOTING GROUND

MO-SU CLOSED

parkfarmshoot.co.uk • 01905620237 • please call or check website for current dates and times • AR, CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, OSK, STR, UT

SHROPSHIRE

WEST MIDLANDS SHOOTING GROUND

MO-SA 09:00-17:00. SU CLOSED

All shooting is via appointment apart from Tuesdays. • wmsg.co.uk • 01939 200644 • ESK, ESP, ABT, FSP, STR

STAFFORDSHIRE

LEEK & DISTRICT GUN CLUB

MO-SA CLOSED. SU 10:00-11:30

leekgunclub.com • 07790145226 • Shooting the first Sunday of every month and Boxing day • ESP • Fibre wad only.

COSFORD SHOOTING GROUND

MO-WE, FR CLOSED. TH 10:00-15:00. SA 10:00-16:00. SU 10:00-13:30

Open every Sunday for open shoots. Winter hours close at 15:00 on Sat. Open practise. Lessons by appt. • cosfordsg.co.uk • 07563 518090 • DTL, ESK, ESP, OSK, STR

FILLONGLEY SHOOTING CLUB

MO-SA CLOSED. SU 09:30-12:30

See website for Fixtures - Booking in at 10:00 last entry 11:00. Saturday shoots 10:00-14:30, last entry 14:00 • fillongleysc.co.uk • 07751 952149 • ABT, CSP, DTL, ESP, STR, • Toilet facilities • Food is available at Saturday shoots and can be made available at Sunday shoots on request.

HONESBERIE SHOOTING

MO-SA 08:30-18:00. SU CLOSED

All shooting by appointment. • honesberieshooting.co.uk • 01327 262922 • ESP, FSP

LEA MARSTON SHOOTING CLUB

MO CLOSED. TU-FR 10:30-17:30. SA 10:30-15:30. SU 09:30-14:00

May till Oct - Wednesday late shoot from 14:30 till 20:30 (first - last shot) • leamarstonshootingclub.com • 01676540070 • These times are first-last shot so please allow 1/2 hour to finish your round. Allocated session times available • ABT, CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, OSK, STR

RUGBY & DISTRICT TRAP CLUB

WE 11:00-DUSK. SU FROM 09:00

rdtc.info • 07770 551491 • ABT, HEL, UTR • See fixtures for dates

WEDGNOCK SHOOTING GROUND

MO, WE-FRI, SU 10:00-13:00. TU 10:00-20:00. SAT CLOSED.

Open Shoots every Sunday 10:00-13:00 and Tuesday 17:30-20:00 • adventuresport.co.uk • 01926 491948 • CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, STR • Outdoor activity centre for corporate events. Course changed every couple of days and operate two 100 separate target rounds at the same time.

EAST MIDLANDS

BEDFORDSHIRE

SPORTING TARGETS

MO-SA 09:00-18:00. SU 09:00-14:00

Shooting will cease at dusk. When the hour goes forward in spring open till 20:00 • sportingtargets.co.uk • 01234 708893 • CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, FSP, STR

CAMBRIDGESHIRE

CAMBRIDGE GUN CLUB LTD

MO-TU CLOSED. WE-SA 10:00-16:00. SU 10:00-15:00 cambridgegunclub.co.uk • 01353 648004 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, FSP, STR, CSP, DR • SA and SU sporting only.

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KIBWORTH SHOOTING CLUB

MO CLOSED. TU-SA 10:00-17:00. SU 10:00-15:00

Registered English Sporting the first Friday of every month between May and Sept, Thursday nights between May and Sept open until 20:00, Close at 16:00 every day Nov-Jan. • kibworthshootingground.co.uk • 0116 2796001 • CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, FSP

KEGWORTH SHOOTING GROUND

MO-SA 09:00-DUSK. SU 09:30-14:00

ESP REG, All new layouts, 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays and all bank holidays. See Fixtures for FITASC and Sportrap. Open weekdays by prior appointment. Call or see website. • kegworth.co.uk • 07973 111650 • CSP, ESP, FSP, STR • Adult Referees at all stands. Pool shoots at Sporting events. New stands & targets at all events. Fair but testing targets. See website for County, Regional & National Championships. Small selection of gun oil, hats, cleaning & shells for if you have forgotten.

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

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

GRIMSTHORPE ESTATE SHOOTING GROUND

MO-TU CLOSED. WE-SU 09:30-17:00

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

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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

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

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. • nottsclyshoot.com • 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. • nottsclyshoot.com • 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
 Registered Comps most Sundays, if hoping to practice please call ahead. Last entry day to day is 15:00. • orston.com • 01949 851181 • DTL, ESK, ESP, ABT, OSK, STR, CSP • Golf buggies available for hire. Game Arena also available.

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 
 shootingincornwall.co.uk • 07979 696179 • See fixtures on website for opening hours • 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
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HAMPSHIRE

R FAREHAM CLAY TARGET CLUB 
 See website for shoot dates and times • farehamctc.org.uk
 • 01329 315185 • ABT, DTL, ESK, ESP,

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

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.

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 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.

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.

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 GROUND 
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 
SU-TU, FR CLOSED. WE, SA 10:00-16:00. TH 10:00-20:00.
 Thursday evening shoots May - September • lvsa.org.uk
 • 01992 552011 • ABT, CSP, ESP, STR • Covered shooting points, qualified Instructors, Have a Go and group sessions by appointment, catering not available every day, Pay & Play Wednesday, Saturday 10:00-16:00, Thursday 10:00-20:00





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 • theoxfordshireschoolshooting.co.uk • 01608 690866
• ESP • Catering available Friday and Saturdays • Fibre wad only.

SURREY

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

gatwickclayshootingsschool.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

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.

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

A KINGSCOTE SHOOTING GROUND

SU-FR CLOSED, SA 09:30-13:00

clayshootingsussex.co.uk • 01903 340657 • Shoots on one Saturday per month, see website fixtures. Open February to December. • ESP

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.

P NORTALL CLAY PIGEON CLUB

WE, SA-SU 10:00-17:00. MO-TU, TH-FR CLOSED

northallcpc.co.uk • 01825 791783 • DTL, ESP
• Opening days vary, please see northallcpc.co.uk/
Fixtures or call for details.

A POLOWOOD SHOOTING GROUND

MO, WE-FR CLOSED. TU, SA-SU OPEN

Saturdays from April, 50 ESP, 10:00-15:00. Alternate Sundays throughout the year 09:30-14:00. Tuesdays from April - Oct 12:00 - Dusk (last entry 19:30)
• claypigeonshootingbrighton.co.uk • 07818203871 • CSP, STR • Fibre wad only. 25 and 50 bird flush available.

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

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, ESK

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. Monthly club shoot – please see events on website. • bisleyschooling.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

nwshootingsschool.co.uk • 01244 812219 • CSP, DTL, ESK, ESP, OT, STR

P SOUTH WALES 2000 S.G

TU-SU 10:00-17:00. MO CLOSED

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CPSA FIXTURES

REG – CPSA Registered Competition

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.

PLEASE NOTE

Whilst CPSA Registered shoots have returned, please understand that some grounds may not be fully operational, some fixtures may be out of date, and fixtures are still subject to change with little notice. Please confirm fixtures by contacting the ground or checking social media and websites before making plans.

WEDNESDAY 1 JULY

P **Ian Coley Shooting School, Gloucestershire**, 01242 870391, 100 ESP REG SQUADED ESP & DTL Practice. Pay & Play. 24 stands. Tuition by Appt. High Tower. Gun shop. www.iancoley.co.uk, 09:00-17:00

Longridge Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07971 447138, 100 ESP REG Telephone bookings only 07971 447138, 10:00-15:00

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

THURSDAY 2 JULY

P **E.J.Churchill Group Ltd, Buckinghamshire**, 01494 883227, 100 ESP REG SQUADED. Claymate. Late Night Shooting. Please call to book. Following Available OSK,ESK,ESP,OT,STR, 09:00-20:00

Longridge Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07971 447138, 100 ESP REG Telephone bookings only 07971 447138, 10:00-15:00

FRIDAY 3 JULY

Kibworth Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 0116 279 6001, 100 ESP REG TEL ENTRIES ONLY. ENTRIES 10-2PM, 10:00-17:00

Longridge Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07971 447138, 100 ESP REG Telephone bookings only 07971 447138, 10:00-15:00

SATURDAY 4 JULY

Ayre Clay Target Club, Isle Of Man, 01624 621451, 50 ESP REG Side by Side Manx Championship, 12:30-14:30

Bisley Gun Club, Surrey, 07713 762928, 100 Reg DTL 09:00-12:00. Practice 12:00-15:00, 09:00-12:00

Cosford Shooting Ground, Warwickshire, 07563 518090, 50 STR REG monthly Sportrap, 10:00-14:00

P **Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent**, 01322 311001, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, 10:00-17:00

P **High Lodge Leisure Ltd, Suffolk**, 01986 784347, 100 CSP REG SQUADED plus PRACTICE CLAYS ESP - PRE-BOOKED ONLY, 10:00-17:00

Kingsferry Gun Club, Kent, 01795 877037, 100 ESK REG, 100 SKD REG and Practice, 10:00-17:00

Longridge Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07971 447138, 100 ESP REG Hereford County Championship Telephone bookings only 07971 447138, 10:00-15:00

Normanton Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 01455 888353, 100 DTL REG Telephone entries only - 01455 888353 or 07747 001624, 10:00-14:00

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

P **Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire**, 01604 642252, 100 ESK REG, 100 DTL REG, Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 10:00-16:30

P **Owls Lodge Shooting School, Hampshire**, 07734 200280, 100 ESP REG Bruce Faulds Memorial Shoot (Open entries), 10:00-15:00

SUNDAY 5 JULY

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

Bisley Gun Club, Surrey, 07713 762928, 100 Registered DTL Competition, 08:30-14:00

Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 DTL REG Somt, Glos, Dors & Wilts CC + ESP Practice 10:30am-3pm (Check Calendar on web) Pre Book Only,

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, 10:00-17:00

Double Barrelled Podimore, Somerset, 07888 697401, 100 REG or Sporting Practice Pre Book only TBC,

Garlands Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01827 383300, 100 ESP REG Pre book shoot via www.theclayshootingcompany.com, £200 HG and cash in classes,

P **Honesberrie Shooting, Warwickshire**, 01327 262922, 100 ESP REG 4th Rizzini Qualifier £200 HG, £75 Pool Shoot, 10:00-14:00

Kegworth Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 07973 111650, 100 ESP REG & Sportrap POOL Check our Website Before travelkegworth.co.uk, 10:00-14:00

P **National Clay Shooting Centre, Surrey**, 01483 797666, 100 OTR REG Greater London Champs, 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 ESP REG £100 HG Tel. entries pref. Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 09:00-16:30

P **Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire**, 01623 883798, 100 DTL REG, 100 ESK REG on 1 layout - tel entries only. Practice ESP, FSP, ESK & DTL by pre-booking. Food available, 10:00-14:00





P Nuthampstead Shooting Ground, Hertfordshire, 01763 848172, 100 UTR REG + UTR & OTR practice Check Nuthampstead SG's website and FB page re opening hours during Covid 19 Pandemic, 09:30-10:30

Oak Lodge Shooting Ground, Durham, 07786 868691, 100 ESP REG North region selection shoot, 10:00-14:00

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, 25 STR Pool + 25 DTL & ESK Pool, 09:00-14:00

Ranton Clay Target Club, Staffordshire, 01785 223621, 100 SB REG SINGLE BARREL STAFFORDSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIP, 10:00-12:00

P Rugby & District Trap Club, Warwickshire, 07770 551491, 100 UTR REG WM Area & Intercounties Championship Entries to John 07770 551491 or email by Friday 4pm prior to shoot, 09:00-10:30

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

TUESDAY 7 JULY

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

WEDNESDAY 8 JULY

Barbury Shooting School, Wiltshire, 01793 940420, 100 Reg STR call to book. 100 ESP Practice Food available barburyschool.com Last entries 19:00, 09:00-19:00

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

THURSDAY 9 JULY

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 Hampshire Championship - PRE BOOKING ONLY, 10:00-18:00

FRIDAY 10 JULY

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

SATURDAY 11 JULY

Clacton Gun Club, Essex, 07394 670871, 100 STR REG practise sporting Telephone entries 07394 670871, 09:00-15:00

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, 10:00-17:00

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

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

P Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 SKD REG (Northants County Champs), 100 AR REG (Northants County Champs), 100 ESK REG, Practice, Black Powder, 10:00-16:30

P South West Shooting School, Devon, 01271 864784, 100 ESP REG Devon Championship 10am - 2:30pm + practice, 10:30-17:00

P West London Shooting School, Greater London, 0208 845 1377, 100 ESP REG £250 High Gun incl. Premier League Final, 09:00-15:00

SUNDAY 12 JULY

Ayre Clay Target Club, Isle Of Man, 01624 621451, 100 ESP REG Manx Championship, 10:00-13:00

Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 UTR REG Somt, Dors, Glos & Wilts CC + ESP Practice 10:30am-3pm (Check Calendar on web),

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, 10:00-17:00

Gloucester Clay Shooting Club, Gloucestershire, 07827 812796, 100 ESK REG Hereford & Worcester County Championships 07827 812796 t/phone-text entries to Paul, 09:30-11:30

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

P Highwaymans Shooting Ground, Suffolk, 07836 643436, 100 ESP REG 9AM 2PM, 09:00-14:00

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

Kegworth Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 07973 111650, 100 FSP REG Check our Website Before travel www.kegworth.co.uk, 10:00-14:00

Kingsferry Gun Club, Kent, 01795 877037, 100 ESK REG, 100 SKD REG and Practice, 10:00-17:00

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

Mayland & District Gun Club, Essex, 07572 878348, 100 DTL REG OSSIE MORTON MEMORIAL TROPHY, 100 DR REG, 100 DTL REG RE-ENTRY, 09:00-14:00

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 AR REG (Northants, Beds, Leics Champs), 100 SKD REG (Northants Champs), 100 ESK REG, 100 DTL REG, Practice, 10:00-16:30

P Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 100 DTL REG, 100 ESK REG on 1 layout - tel entries only. Practice ESP, FSP, ESK & DTL by pre-booking. Food available, 10:00-14:00

Oak Lodge Shooting Ground, Durham, 07786 868691, 125 STR REG 10 till 2pm booking required, 10:00-14:00

Oakedge Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01889 881391, 100 ESP REG Pre book shoot via www.theclayshootingcompany.com, £200 HG and cash in classes,

P Orston Shooting Ground, Nottinghamshire, 01949 851181, 100 STR REG £100 HG, 25 STR Pool + 25 DTL & ESK Pool. ESP & Driven Practice, Shop & Cafe, 09:00-14:00

Penrith & District GC Ltd, Cumbria, 01697 361024, 100 DTL REG Hubert Hetherington Trophy; DTL practise following shoot. Please call ground to ensure event going ahead, 09:30-12:30

Somerset Shooting Ground, Somerset, 07860 561677, 100 FSP REG £150 high gun Entry via phone prior to event Call 07866610086 (Liana), 09:30-13:30

P **South West Shooting School, Devon**, 01271 864784, 100 ESP REG, 10:00-11:30

P **Southdown Gun Club Ltd, Sussex**, 01903 877555, 100 ESP REG CPSA Premier League Shoot, 100 STR REG 09:10 - 15:30 Squadded / pre-book only, 09:30-15:30

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

Westfield Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07342 338390, 100 ESP REG Pre book shoot via www.theclayshootingcompany.com, £200 HG and cash in classes, 09:30

TUESDAY 14 JULY

P **Owls Lodge Shooting School, Hampshire**, 07734 200280, 100 STR REG PRE BOOKING ONLY, 10:00-15:00

THURSDAY 16 JULY

P **E.J.Churchill Group Ltd, Buckinghamshire**, 01494 883227, 100 ESP REG SQUADED. Claymate. Late Night Shooting. Please call to book. Following Available OSK,ESK,ESP,OT,STR, 09:00-20:00

SATURDAY 18 JULY

Bisley Gun Club, Surrey, 07713 762928, 100 Reg DTL + Practise 12:00 - 15:00, 09:00-12:00

P **Dartford Clay Shooting Club, Kent**, 01322 311001, 100 ESK REG RE-ENTRY, 100 SKD REG RE-ENTRY, 10:00-17:00

P **High Lodge Leisure Ltd, Suffolk**, 01986 784347, 100 STR REG SQUADED plus PRACTICE CLAYS ESP - PRE-BOOKED ONLY, 10:00-17:00

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

Normanton Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 01455 888353, 100 DTL REG Telephone entries only - 01455 888353 or 07747 001624, 10:00-14:00

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

P **Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire**, 01604 642252, 100 ESK REG, 100 AR REG, Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 10:00-16:30

P **Nuthampstead Shooting Ground, Hertfordshire**, 01763 848172, 100 OTR REG + OTR & UTR practice Check Nuthampstead SG s website and FB page re opening hours during Covid 19 Pandemic, 10:00-16:00

P **Owls Lodge Shooting School, Hampshire**, 07734 200280, 100 CSP REG ENGLISH OPEN - PRE BOOKING VIA BICTSF ONLY, 10:00-18:00

SUNDAY 19 JULY

Ayre Clay Target Club, Isle Of Man, 01624 621451, 100 ESK REG Manx Championship: 100 League (5), 10:00-13:00

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

Bisley Gun Club, Surrey, 07713 762928, 100 Registered DTL Competition - Home Counties DTL, 08:30-14:00

Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 ABT REG Somt, Wilts, Dors & Glos CC + ESP Practice 10:30am-3pm (Check Calendar on web) Pre Book Only,

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, 10:00-17:00

Garlands Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01827 383300, 100 ESP REG Pre book shoot via www.theclayshootingcompany.com, £200 HG and cash in classes,

P **Honesberrie Shooting, Warwickshire**, 01327 262922, 100 ESP REG 5th Rizzini Qualifier £200 HG, £75 Pool Shoot, 10:00-14:00

Kegworth Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 07973 111650, 100 ESP REG & Sportrap POOL Check our Website Before travel www.kegworth.co.uk, 10:00-14:00

Meadowcroft Shoot, Avon, 07802 467384, 100 ESP REG + Pool Shoot, 10:00-14:30

P **North Of England C.T.C, Yorkshire**, 01904 738120, 100 AR REG, 10:00-12:30

P **Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire**, 01604 642252, 100 ESP REG £100 HG Tel. entries pref. Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 09:00-16:30

P **Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire**, 01623 883798, 100 DTL REG, 100 ESK REG on 1 layout - tel entries only. Practice ESP, FSP, ESK & DTL by pre-booking. Food available, 10:00-14:00

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, 25 STR Pool + 25 DTL & ESK Pool, 09:00-14:00

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

P **Southdown Gun Club Ltd, Sussex**, 01903 877555, 100 FSP REG + Open Sporting Practice SQUADED/PRE-BOOK ONLY, 08:45-12:30

Spennymoor & District C.P.C, Durham, 0191 377 2412, 80 DR REG (40 pairs) Langley Tyre & Auto Club Championship, 50 ESK REG Practice DTL & ESP, 09:30-11:00

P **Sporting Targets Ltd, Bedfordshire**, 01234 708893, 100 ESP REG TEL ENTRIES ONLY. SUMMER HIGH TOWER CHALLENGE OPEN SPORTING. LTD PRACTICE, 09:00-14:00

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

WEDNESDAY 22 JULY

Barbury Shooting School, Wiltshire, 01793 940420, 100 Reg ESP, squads at 10am, 12:30pm, 3pm call to book. 100 ESP Practice food available www.barburysshoot.com, 09:00-19:00

SATURDAY 25 JULY

Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 DTL REG ESP/ESK/DTL/ABT/UTR/OTR (Please check Calendar on www.brookbankshooting.co.uk), 10:30-17:00

Clacton Gun Club, Essex, 07394 670871, 100 STR REG Essex Championship; practice sporting Telephone entries 07394 670871, 09:00-15:00

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, 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, 09:30-17:00

P **Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire**, 01604 642252, 100 OSK REG (Northants County Champs), 100 ESK REG, Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, Black Powder, 10:00-16:30

P **Nuthampstead Shooting Ground, Hertfordshire**, 01763 848172, 100 ABT REG ABT & OTR practice Check Nuthampstead SG s website and FB page re opening hours during Covid 19 Pandemic, 09:30-10:30




SUNDAY 26 JULY

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

Ayre Clay Target Club, Isle Of Man, 01624 621451, 100 SB REG Single Barrel DTL Manx Championship, 10:00-13:00

Brook Bank, Somerset, 01749 871055, 100 OTR REG Somt,Wilts,Glos,Dors CC +ESP Practice 10:30-3pm (Check Calendar on www.brookbankshooting.co.uk) prebook Only,

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

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, 10:00-17:00

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

Highwaymans Shooting Ground, Suffolk, 07836 643436, 100 ESP REG 9AM - 2PM, 09:00-14:00

Holmes Chapel Shooting Ground, Cheshire, 01477 518444, 100 DTL REG Comp and Cheshire DTL Championship, 09:30-13:00

Isle Of Wight Gun Club, Isle Of Wight, 07779 194429, 100 DTL REG, 100 bird ESP Summer 4 Series, 10:00-16:00

Kingsferry Gun Club, Kent, 01795 877037, 100 ESK REG, 100 SKD REG and Practice, 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 BILLY LOGAN MEMORIAL TROPHY, 100 DR REG, 100 DTL REG RE-ENTRY, 09:00-14:00

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

Northampton Shooting Ground, Northamptonshire, 01604 642252, 100 ESK REG, Practice ESP,ESK,DTL & ABT, 10:00-16:30

Nottingham & District Gun Club, Nottinghamshire, 01623 883798, 100 DTL REG, 100 ESK REG on 1 layout - tel entries only. Practice ESP, FSP, ESK & DTL by pre-booking. Food available, 10:00-14:00

Nuthampstead Shooting Ground, Hertfordshire, 01763 848172, 100 OTR REG & Walkern Sporting Club Check Nuthampstead SG s website & FB page re opening hours during Covid 19 Pandemic, 09:30-10:30

Oakedge Shooting Ground, Staffordshire, 01889 881391, 100 ESP REG Pre book shoot via www.theclayshootingcompany.com, £200 HG and cash in classes,

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

Park Farm Shooting Ground, Hereford & Worcester, 01905 620237, 100 DTL REG Hereford & Worcester County Championships telephone entries to Phil on 07860 214903 or 01905 620237, 09:30-11:30

Penrith & District GC Ltd, Cumbria, 01697 361024, 100 DTL REG for the Kitching Cup & DTL practise shoot at end of Reg shoot, 09:30-12:30

Rugby & District Trap Club, Warwickshire, 07770 551491, 24 HEL REG Warks & Lincs County Championships Entries to John 07770 551491 or email by Friday 4pm prior to shoot, 09:00-10:30

Somerset Shooting Ground, Somerset, 07860 561677, 100 ESP REG £200 high gun. Booking mandatory call 07866610086 (Liana). Entries will be squadded, 10:00-14:00

Southdown Gun Club Ltd, Sussex, 01903 877555, 100 ESP REG, 100 STR REG 09:10 - 15:30 Squadded / pre-book, 09:30-15:30

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

Westfield Shooting Ground, Gloucestershire, 07342 338390, 100 ESP REG Glos County Champs. Pre book shoot via www.theclayshootingcompany.com, £200 HG and cash in classes, 09:30

Widdington Shoot, Wiltshire, 01980 630990, 100 ESP REG, 10:00-13:00

WEDNESDAY 29 JULY

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, 1PM & 4PM & OPEN PRACTICE FOR ESP & DTL PRACTICE & TUITION IS ALSO AVAILABLE, 10:00-19:00

Normanton Shooting Ground, Leicestershire, 01455 888353, 70 ESP REG Telephone entries only - 01455 888353 or 07747 001624, 10:00-14:00

THURSDAY 30 JULY

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 ONLY, 10:00-15:00

FRIDAY 31 JULY

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

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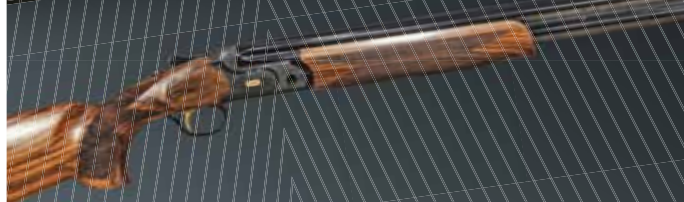
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SARAH WRIGHT (NEE GRAY)

England Team Commonwealth Games 2014 shooter Sarah Wright (nee Gray) passed away at age 33 on 26 May following her two-year fight with cancer.

As reported last month in *Pull!*, Sarah was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2018, in the same week that she and her husband, Adam, learned that she was pregnant with their first child. Sarah went through chemotherapy whilst pregnant, and in 2019 gave birth to their daughter, Everleigh.

Unfortunately, Sarah's treatments had been unsuccessful, and having exhausted all treatment options in the UK, she was able to gain a place on a trial treatment in the USA. However, due to the Coronavirus travel ban in the USA, she was unable to travel for treatment when planned. Her husband, family, and friends worked to raise awareness about her situation through the campaign #SaveSarahGray, which showed a great amount of public support for Sarah and her fight against cancer. The US Embassy in London secured permission for her to travel

for treatment, but further medical complications delayed treatment, and her health rapidly degraded soon thereafter.

Her husband, Adam, has stated: "She fought so so hard all the way, she was the bravest most courageous, strong, loving and wonderful wife, mother, daughter and sister.

Everleigh and I miss her greatly, there is a big void in our lives now."

Sarah was an exceptional Olympic Skeet shot who competed for England in the 2014 Commonwealth Games, where coach Joe Neville commented at the time that 'she shot beautifully' for fourth place in Women's Skeet. She also represented England at the 2009, 2010, 2013, 2014 (as team captain), and 2015 Olympic Skeet Home Internationals. Sarah was on the British team at the time of her diagnosis and was described by British Shooting as "an amazing, bubbly and intelligent person and a very talented shooter."

The CPSA offers their deepest condolences to Adam and Everleigh, and all of Sarah's friends and family.



WALTER KINGSNORTH

In memory of Walther Kingsnorth. Our sport has lost a true gentleman, the like of which we will not see again. He was always a pleasure to be with. He will be sadly missed by all who knew him. – Micky



J TWIGG

Lancashire has lost one of its much admired sons, affectionately known as 'The MIGHTY' J.G. Twigg.

He was a very private and unassuming man, whilst being a versatile competitive shooter whose abilities spanned all disciplines. He could attend a small club 50-bird sporting event one day, and the next be shooting in an International event with the same vigour.

With a career spanning at least four decades in clay-target shooting, in 1984 he was a vital part of the winning DTL Home International top-five man squad, where he and his teammates dropped only 16 points out of 1,500 to set a new International record at that time. He was then also to be part of the International Senior team, taking the prestigious Mackintosh event that had not been done in over forty years. This demonstrates the measure of one of Lancashire's own. Some 20 years later in 2005, he won the coveted DTL Krieghoff event held at Mid Wales Shooting Ground. He was indeed a competitor to be reckoned with.

The fact that I could go on and on listing his achievements over many years shows the commitment he had for clay shooting and his abilities within the sport. He inspired others just by his presence, and for those that didn't know him, that says all that needs to be said about the man. Amongst his many friends he will be sorely missed, and the clay shooting world will be a lesser place without him. I am honoured to have known him and proud to call him friend. – I. Ainsley

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LOVATT LOOKS AHEAD

Steve Lovatt of The Clay Shooting Company talks to **Mark Brown** about operating post Covid-19, and what we can expect at the CPSA British Open English Sporting in September.



As practice and registered shoots get underway, we spoke to the charismatic Steve Lovatt about the measures he has implemented to ensure compliance with social distancing rules, and also his feelings about the future of our sport.

NEW BEGINNINGS

So, what changes has Steve implemented to adhere to the 'new normal' for practice and registered shoots?

First and foremost he stated that the single biggest change is the near closure of the clubhouse – it's open for entries (behind plastic screens) and toilet facilities, on a one-way system with entry in one door and exit through another. There is no sitting or waiting allowed inside and the familiar smell of bacon cooking has all but gone.

Hand sanitiser stations and soap/handwashing areas are more abundant, and a new card machine allows contactless payment, although cash or cheque is still accepted.

After checking in you are instructed to wait in your car or in the car park area until your allocated time slot to shoot.

Slots are restricted to six people and as your time approaches you will be met by a member of staff, who

will explain how to move around the ground and how things work. You are placed in pairs to shoot, starting on Stand 1 with markers on the ground to indicate where you should wait – as with the clubhouse it works strictly on a one-way circuit.

Steve admits that the whole set up is like a "clinical, military precision operation that actually works more efficiently and is easier to run. Having timed slots

(roughly every ten minutes) enables me to control the ground better."

THE PLAN IN ACTION

An important and key new measure is shooting the stands in

numerical order, with scorecards kept on each stand, only ever touched by the scorer on that stand, who will have them in order of the next people to shoot.

After shooting, scores are verbally agreed, the cards put back into a sealed storage box and collected at various times during the day. All of these measures ensure that shooters only ever touch their own equipment whilst out on the ground.

Steve was quick to praise Nicola Heron at the CPSA for working with him back at the start of the lockdown, on how a 'structured practice' could be set up that would follow government guidelines.

This is now the basis for

all grounds and owners to follow for the foreseeable future, if they wish to register scores or offer practice shooting.

LIFE AFTER LOCKDOWN

The lockdown has hit clay shooting hard, and with finance in mind I wanted to understand what the cost implications might be for adopting the necessary measures to ensure compliance. Steve was quick to point out that it's not as bad as people may fear – he pinpoints expenditure of around £1,000 for plastic screens, extra admin work, printing, hand sanitiser and soap across both of his grounds. There are also extra running costs of two more members of staff on shoot days, to meet and brief shooters as they arrive.

In addition to this, he also estimates that his clay wastage will increase from around 6-8% up to 10-12%, as squads of two will not have had a chance to see the targets beforehand.

However, it's important to note that increased efficiency brings more numbers throughout the day, therefore more people can get round the ground in a day. These measures could increase his capacity by up to 55%.

Interestingly, the worst part of the process so far, he says, has been writing the Coronavirus risk assessment.

Steve stated "the major casualty is the loss of the social aspect of the day out, but we've got people out shooting again and they really do appreciate that. They are compliant and we are not having to nag people to remember to distance themselves. Demand is really high, and I've got people wanting to book as far ahead as August."

BRITISH OPEN

I couldn't resist the opportunity to talk to Steve about the British Open, and ask what he had in store.

He was keen not to give away too much, but coyly advised that he has been working on the course layout since January/February time and it will be "a standard challenging Lovatt course with a few special twists involved." Anyone who shoots at Garlands regularly can expect a challenge, Steve says. "We will be walking the same paths but the targets and presentation will be very different – that I can assure you!"

His positivity is infectious and it's clear that there is a life after lockdown, and it's really encouraging to see how people are rising to the challenge of keeping the sport growing for us all to continue to enjoy. 🍀

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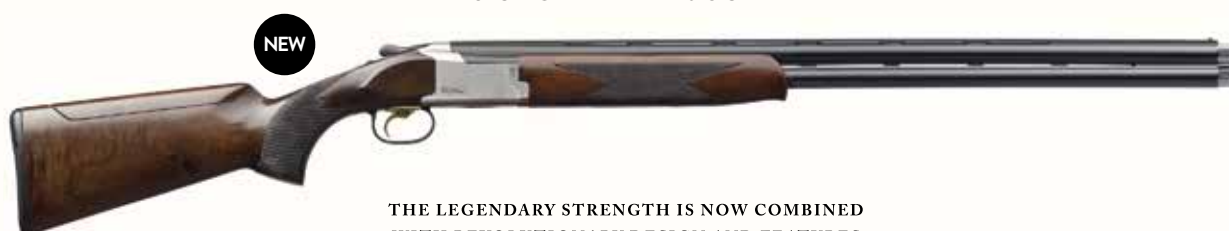
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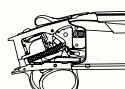


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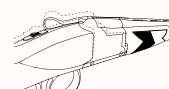
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