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2004 Spring Open Airgun Championship

Blackburn Ranges. Sat 17th & Sun 18th April 2004.

It was a sell-out, with some high class shooters turning up to register their scores in the newly restored "Nominated" event. One of the events held around the country where "International hopefuls" can bring their talents to the attention of the selectors.

Organiser Neil Roberts was turning people away, weeks before the shoot. So, if you want to have a go at the Autumn shoot and weren't at this one, then get your name down for an entry form with Neil, 0151 226 6832, or log on to our website www.cltsa.org for an entry form.

Many thanks to Neil Roberts, Blackburn Club and all the helpers that turned up to run the event.

A full score sheet can be seen on our website. The main winners were:-

10m Air Pistol Class A			
1	Simon Preston	Jubilee	581 578 1159
2	Iain Candlish	Ossett	565 565 1130
3	Robert Stubbs		562 547 1109

Class B			
1	John Lloyd	Blackburn	546 546 1092
2	Anthony Baxter		536 544 1080
3	Brian Girling		537 540 1077

Class C			
1	Neil Roberts	Fulwood	536 532 1068
2	Mark Schooling	Blackburn	524 539 1063
3	Phil Burnes		530 533 1063

Class D			
1	Buckley		499 534 1033
2	Rachel Poole		524 505 1029
3	Ron Ellison	Grange	503 507 1010

10m Air Rifle Class A			
1	Lawrence		582 575 1157
2	Mike Lewis		565 572 1137
3	Geoff McHugh	Blackburn	562 566 1128

Class B			
1	Torkington	Marple	552 548 1100
2	Gary Bateman	Keighley	535 535 1070
3	Roger Woodhouse	NSRA	538 532

20 yd Air Pistol Class A				
1	Alan Richie	91	91	273
2	Roger Woodhouse	86	90	272
3	Len Pakalski	91	80	265

Class B				
1	John Bond	84	87	264
2	Neil Roberts	90	88	254
3	Ian Waghorn	84	83	253

Standard Pistol (Air) Class A				
1	Ian caldish	289	285	574
2	Simon Preston	287	287	574
3	Robert Stubbs	277	283	560

Class B				
1	James Brownlie	272	272	544
2	Simon Brownlie	270	274	544
3	John Bond	266	270	536

Free Pistol				
1	Alan Richie	84	87	249
2	Robert Stubbs	70	84	232
3	Peter Richie	79	79	230

FREE PISTOL RETURNS

Lancashire has a long and honourable history with Free Pistol, with many colourful characters shooting the creme de la creme of pistol shooting, Fred Cooper, John Tomlinson, Laslo Antal and many other have represented Lancashire and Great Britain at the 50m event.

After all the hassle of recent years and quite a fight by NSRA and others, we now have restored to us the right to own and shoot Free Pistol. It was good to see the event, albeit at 20yds, restored to our calendar this April at the Spring Championships.

A half course was shot at Blackburn, the winner being Alan Richie with a score of 249 ex 300, followed by Rob Stubbs and Peter Richie. Congratulations to all who shot and organised the shoot. The full results can be viewed on our website.

CLSTSA BADGE AWARD SCHEME

The CLSTSA has recently set up a badge award scheme. Badges will be awarded in three classes, Marksman, Expert and Master. Full details of all disciplines available will be on the county website in May.

You can purchase stickers to shoot for your badge within your own club at a cost of 50p for 6 pairs. The badges are £3 each inc. P&C. Stickers and badges are available now from Phil Sadler, 8 Pentland Ave, Liverpool L4 5SG. Cheques payable to CLSTSA.

You must have two consecutively numbered targets of the minimum score to count. For Std Pistol both the 1st and 2nd halves must have the minimum scores.

Again, full details will be on the county website, or are available from Phil Sadler, please send a SAE for details.

	Marksman	Expert	Master
10m Air Pistol	78	87	92
20 yd Air Pistol	70	83	91
Std Pistol	240	260	280
Free Pistol	70	85	90

NEWS & VIEWS

Whilst not strictly Lancashire; congratulations to Appleton Secretary, **Neil Gibbons**, who has been appointed Adjutant to the Gt. Britain Rifle Team for the Pershing Match at Camp Perry, Ohio in 2005.

Also to **Adam Ditzel** of Grange R&PC, on the Wirral for 2nd place in the British Open Junior Men's Air Pistol. **Simon Preston** & **Ian Candlish**, of Yorkshire, for their places in the Pistol Final and also **Helen Preston** for retaining her British Women's Open Championship and last, but not least, Lancashire's **Dick Horrocks** for his 2nd place in the Veterans Pistol, at the NSRA Airgun Champ's, last February at Bisley.

DATA PROTECTION ACT

The wording below should be part of any entry forms that are produced for competitions organised by the Association:-

Information provided on these entry forms, together with details of scores, will be stored on computer for the purposes of the production and publication of results.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Autumn Airgun, with Free Pistol and Standard Pistol (Air). 11th & 12 September. Contact Neil Roberts on 0151 226 6832, or go to our website www.cltsa.org for an entry form.

HON. TREASURERS REPORT

Our current account stands at £1,389.68 and our deposit account at £3,037.65, a total of £4,427.03.

MEMBERSHIP SEC'S REPORT

The total individual membership to date is 133, an increase of 20% over the same period last year. Rifle membership is down 11% compared to last year, while other sections are up by 178%. Revenue increased from £388.50, last year to £531.00, up 32.5%.

RIFLE SUMMER LEAGUE 2004

Entries for the above should be in to Dorothy Bannister by 4th May, tel 01704 55 09 76.

The comp. is for club teams of 4, the fee being £5.00 per team. Cheques payable to CLSTSA and enclose a S.A.E.

FREE PISTOL POSTAL LEAGUE

Plans are to start a postal league for the new "Long Arm Free Pistols" that are now popping up around the country, despite all the difficulties that the Home Office have put in the way of perfectly law abiding sport target shooters.

Anyone interested in shooting a 20 yd postal competition in the Autumn of 2004 should contact Reg Cox on 0151 727 2177 or email at <regcox@mac.com>

SUCCESS FOR BLACKBURN R&PC

Blackburn Rifle & Pistol Club has done well again in the Cumbria & Northumbria Winter Leagues. Medal winners are as follows:

10m Air Pistol Team	Div. 1 2nd	Blackburn A (Holdstock, Lloyd, Schooling)	
20yd Air Pistol Team	Div. 1 2nd	Blackburn (Lloyd, Plunkett, Schooling)	
Light Sport Rifle Team	Div. 2 1st	Blackburn (G. Longbottom, M. Longbottom, Nash)	
10m Air Pistol Div. 3	1st	20yd Air Pistol Div. 2	2nd
	P. Holdstock		M. Schooling
10m Air Pistol Div. 4	2nd	Light Sport Rifle Div. 4	1st
	A. Federici		M. Longbottom
10m Air Pistol Div. 7	2nd	Light Sport Rifle Div. 6	2nd
	J. B. Sutcliffe		G. Longbottom
10m Air Rifle Div. 1	2nd	M/L Pistol Div. 1	2nd
	P. Holdstock		R. Clevely
20yd Air Pistol Div. 2	1st	<i>Dr Paul Holdstock</i>	
	J. O. Lloyd		

Air Pistol Postal League

10 metres			20 yards		
Group	Points	Ave	Group	Points	Ave
1 J Ball	50	184.43	1 J Ball	30	177.17
2 R Horrocks	48	182.83	2 P Taylor	27	173.17
3 P Holdstock	47	181.86	3 P Plunkett	26	168.71
Group 2			Group B		
1 R Hunter	46	172.4	1 T Power	37	160.5
2 D Lee	45	174.7	2 G Seales	33	160.5
3 G Meadows	43	171.7	3 E Langhorn	29	151.66
Group 3					
1 S Lee	57	162.2			
2 R Cox	50				
3 S Dundalk	48				

Rifle Winter League - Results

Division 1			Division 4		
	Pts	Agg		Pts	Agg
1 Bury	15	100	1 Blackpool C	17	302
2 Morecambe A	15	112	2 Morecambe B	16	264
3 City of Salford A	10	120	3 Ashton u Lyne B	9	344
4 Wigan A	10	145	4 Vulcan C	8	350
5 Vulcan A	5	142	5 Leyland Motors C	6	1080
6 Leyland Motors A	5	243	6 Colne BL	4	415
Division 2			Division 5		
1 Leyland Motors B	16	197	1 Leyland Motors E	17	404
2 City of Salford B	14	180	2 Leyland Motors D	17	411
3 Blackpool A	12	180	3 Salford D	10	518
4 Warrington	10	217	4 Ashton u Lyne C	6	528
5 Wigan B	8	210	5 Bogey	6	600
6 Ashton u Lyne C	0	248	6 Leyland Motors F	4	1908
Division 3					
1 Vulcan B	15	253			
2 Wigan C	12	257			
3 Cheadle	11	264			
4 Preston GH	8	309			
5 Blackpool B	8	359			
6 Salford C	6	282			

Rifle Winter League. John Conway Memorial Trophy, Shoot off.

Division 1			Division 5		
	Pts	Difference		Pts	Difference
Bury	10	+1	Leyland Motors E	40.4	
Division 2			Congratulations to Vulcan B for keeping closest to their declared score. The Trophy will be Awarded to them at the Council Meeting on 1st May.		
Leyland Motors B	19.7	+3.3			
Division 3					
Vulcan B	25.3	-5.3			
Division 4					
Blackpool C	30.2	-4.2			

NSRA NEWS

National Pistol Coach Tom Redhead will be holding more "Pistol Workshops", the first one in May '04 was fully subscribed by February.

If you are interested in improving your technique, (and scores), contact Chris Webb at NSRA; 01483 485513, 0845 130 6772 (local rate call) or email <cwebb@nsra.co.uk> for more info.

"Rifle Workshops" along the same lines are planned, starting soon.

County Coaches Course

Open to existing County Coaches and GBTSF/NSRA Club Coaches who wish to raise their standard, with a few places available for the courses on 11 & 12 Sept. and 16 & 17 Oct.

The man to contact is, again, Chris Webb, as above.

Diary Dates

29-30 May, Spring Pistol & LSR Mtg.
11-13 June, ISSF Rifle Mtg.
3-9 July, Scottish Rifle Mtg. Fort William.
14-21 August, Rifle Champ's. Bisley
28-30 August, Pistol Champ's. Bisley.

Extract from the minutes of NSRA Shooting Council.

Mr Doe reported that his club had wanted to buy an ISSF free pistol for members use, however, this was not allowed in law. A club firearm or another member's may be borrowed within the club as long as the club was approved for that particular category. He said, the free pistol did not fall into any of the categories and so only the owner was able to use it. At the moment if a shooter wanted to use one then you had to buy one. He thought it might be necessary for the Association to seek Home Office agreement to another category to cover free pistols but he thought a way round may be for an owner to get a variation on his certificate to share the use within a club.

Extract from Minutes of International Committee, March '04

Record of Decisions & Recommendations.
New Minimum Qualifying Scores for entry to Senior Squads and for selection for Major Matches approved for use in selection of the 2005 Squad. The scores for the two purposes set at the same level, so that all Squad members will be eligible to shoot at Major Matches.

New MQS's to be:

	Men	Women
Prone Rifle	594	591
3P Rifle	1150	570
Air Rifle	590	390
Air Pistol	575	375

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