



Clitheroe Shooter takes SILVER



Photo: Reg Cox

Samantha Murray with the Lancashire Junior Air Pistol Team in 2005. The Senior Team is standing behind.



Sam Murray, a former member of the Lancashire Junior Squad won the Silver Medal on the Women's Modern Pentathlon in the 2012 Olympics.

Starting the Run/Shoot final event in 5th Place, she overtook two other competitors, but was not able to catch Lithuania's Laura Asadauskaite who took the Gold, Yane Marques of Brazil winning the Bronze.

Samantha shot for our Junior Air Pistol Team and in 2005, part of the team that were runners up in the NSRA Inter-County Air Pistol Competition in that year.

Now based at Bath University, she is a member of TeamBath, the training centre for British Pentathletes.

She competed at the Junior World Championships and Junior European Championships in 2010, where the British team won gold in both events. Individually, she finished 8th in the World competition and 15th overall in the European event. The team of Murray, Katy Burke, Freyja Prentice and Heather Fell also competed in the 2010 World Modern Pentathlon Championships, where they placed overall in second place, winning the silver medal. Murray placed in 22nd position in the individual competition in her first senior competition.[4][5]

Murray finished in sixth place at the World Cup event in Charlotte, North Carolina, in March 2012. Following that she competed in the Budapest Cup where she was victorious. Her first World Cup medal came in Rostov, Russia, in April 2012, when she won the bronze medal behind Anastasiya Prokopenko and Victoria Tereshuk. She had been leading going into the final day, but was overtaken during the run/shoot.

Along with Mhairi Spence, she was named to the British team at the 2012 Summer Olympics as the two female modern pentathlon competitors, and won the silver medal.

We congratulate Samantha on her achievement and wish her every success in the future.

(Information and Photo by British Shooting)

Items to be banned for transmission by Royal Mail.

Royal Mail is proposing to ban the transmission of firearms, ammunition and spare parts by mail, creating endless problems for Dealers and Shooters. There is a petition, which everybody needs to sign: <http://www.change.org/petitions/royal-mail-not-to-prohibit-firearms-and-component-parts-from-postal-services>

Specific proposed wording changes for the Schemes

relating to Firearms

We propose to: replace section 15.1.26 in the alphabetical list of prohibited goods of the ILPS which currently reads "weapons of war, except as permitted by section 15.2.5 below" with "weapons of war",

Add a new section in the alphabetical list of prohibited goods (section 15) of the ILPS which would read "firearms (including those listed in Section 1, Section 2 and Section 5 of the Firearms Act 1968 (as amended)), low-powered air rifles and pistols and all component parts such as triggers, actions, barrels and magazines"

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Lancashire Air Championships

Blackburn R&PC, Sunday 16th Sept 2012

Many thanks must go to all those who help put on the event and without whose time this event could not happen. Our next Air match will be in the Spring, the Lightweight sport rifle championships are at Burnley Rifle Club on Sunday 14th October details on web site www.clstsa.org

The early entry draw was made at the presentation, the lucky entrants are:

- 100% entry fee Rachael Whitehead.
- 50% entry fee Megan Horbury.
- 20% entry fess Richard Carter.

Results

Rifle

Paul Horbury		558
John O'Conner	Blackburn	521
Adam Cook	Blackburn	277

Pistol Class "A"

David Owen	Cumberland	564
Les Pearson	Swadlincote	547
David Williams	Gainsborough	538

Pistol Class "B"

Mark Schooling	Blackburn	548
Ian Jones	Altrincham	531
Neil Carter	Blackburn	523
Ian Instone	Wakefield	522

Pistol Class "C"

Raymond Stead	Ossett	526
Richard Carter	Blackburn	526
Chris Brown	Blackpool	517
Neil Roberts	Fulwood	517
David Fawcett	Wigan	515
Ingrid Falat-Marsh	Blackburn	504

Pistol Class "D"

Pet Pearson	Swadlincote	514
Kieran Barker	Cumberland	502
Jeanine Green	Blackburn	491
Megan Horbury	York	484
Anthony Power	Whalley	466
William Beavan	Blackburn	427
Reg Cox	Blackburn	391

Double 60 Rifle

John O'Connor	Blackburn	1053
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Double 60 Pistol Class "A"

David Owen	Cumberland	1133
David Williams	Gainsborough	1081

Double 60 Pistol Class "B"

Ian Jones	Altrincham	1079
Neil Carter	Blackburn	1053

Double 60 Pistol Class "C"

Ingrid Falat-Marsh	Blackburn	1024
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Double 60 Pistol Class "D"

Kieran Barker	Cumberland	1015
Pet Pearson	Swadlincote	998
Jeanine Green	Blackburn	988

20 Yards Pistol

Neil Carter	Blackburn	272
Ingrid Falat-Marsh	Blackburn	255
Joseph Brown	Blackburn	239
Jeanine Green	Blackburn	215

50m Free Pistol

Les Pearson	Swadlincote	518
Paul Holdstock	Blackburn	465
John Lloyd	Blackburn	453
John Bond	Leyland	416

A score of 391 ex 600 is a mite embarrassing, but I wanted to take part in this shoot. It is 70 years since I started target shooting at the age of 13, when I was in the Army Cadets. There has



Winner of the "Laslo Antal Free Pistol Trophy" and the Open Pistol Championship the "Stratstone Cup", Les Pearson of Swadlincote with CLSTSA Chairman David Pritchard.

been a lot of bangs since then, from .177 to 40mm Bofors Gun, mostly .22 and .303.

There aren't many sports where you can compete for 70 years. Reg Cox.



Pet Pearson



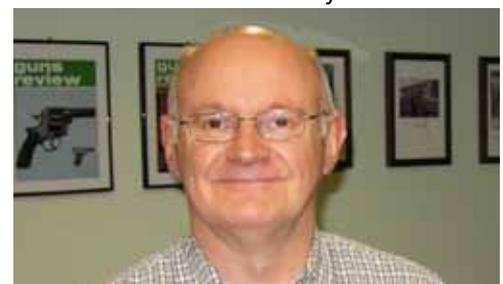
David Owen



Paul Horbury



Kieran Barker



Raymond Stead

Items to be banned for transmission by Royal Mail. continued:

It is most important that as many shooters as possible subscribe to this petition. If the Royal Mail gets its way, then you will not be able to order a rifle ring sight replacement even, let alone the bits and pieces we currently buy from NSRA Shop and other dealers. You will have to pay for delivery by courier, considerably more than by the normal postal system.

Another example of prejudice against legally held firearms owners.

So get onto your, or anybodys computer, go to: www.change.org/petitions/royal-mail-not-to-prohibit-firearms-and-component-parts-from-postal-services and follow the instructions to sign the petition. **NOW!**

Laser Pistols

For the Run-Shoot part of the Modern Pentathlon a laser device has been developed that attaches to most modern airpistols, which has been approved by the International Modern Pentathlon Union (UIPM)

Manufactured by Eko-Aims and attached to a modern airpistol (e.g. Steyr LP10, Walther LP300 XT or Morini CM162 etc.) the device is suitable for practise or competition. The core of the product is its software in the circuit board with an integrated laser module. The equipment is compatible with the electronic targets homologated by the International Modern Pentathlon Union. The laser beam is either non coded or includes a code defined by the UIPM.

To emulate traditional shooting, the gun has a so-called barrel time, the time a pellet would normally take to travel through the barrel. This shot delay is 8ms. The shooter should thus take into consideration the same aspects as with a normal gun when firing.

Products have been tested by the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (Test report 191586e) and it fulfils the requirements for Laser Class 2 according to the standards EN/IEC 60825-1:2007.

Fulwood Gongs

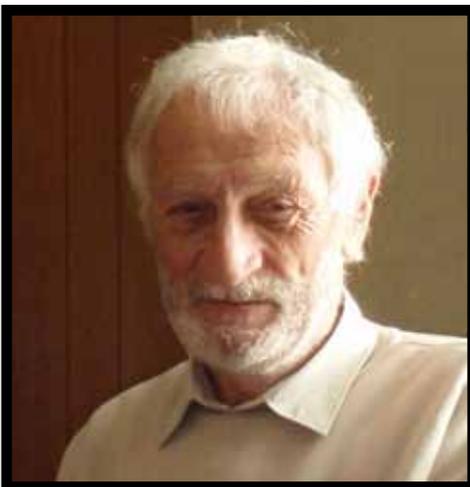


Fulwood SC Team Members L-R: Martin Hannam, Nigel Hannam, Neil Roberts, Neil Francis

Fulwood Shooting Club of Liverpool were on the medal hunt again at the Imperial Meeting at Bisley this year.

Following on from last years successes, this year was almost as fruitful winning the following:
Martin Hannam, Advancing Target SB, Granet, Police SB, Service SB, Silhouette SB
Neil Roberts, Advancing Targets Revolver, 50m Revolver,
Neil Francis, Silhouettes CF,
Fulwood also carried off the Mander Trophy for the Police Team, not a bad shoot!

Obituary



Derek Waterworth

Lancashire shooting has lost one of its most hard working members, Derek Waterworth of Burnley, who sadly died in July this year. Derek had been an active member of CLSTSA for many years, and until recently he was Secretary of Burnley R&PC.

There was a good turnout of shooters at Derek's funeral, and his family asked if four shooters could bring the coffin into the Chapel.

Derek was active in other pursuits including sailing and cycling. His son Chris told us that "In the early 1950's my father was a member of his local cycling club in St Helens, during the summer holidays he and a friend decided to cycle across northern England, take a ferry to Holland and cycle all round the low countries staying in youth hostels. They also covered the west country on the way back to Lancashire. Quite a feat in times of great austerity and rationing. When my parents married in 1958, for their honeymoon they took the 'Golden Arrow' train to Paris, this was the train that when it arrived at Dover went straight onto the ferry and on arrival at Calais back onto the French rail network. A bit like Eurostar without the tunnel!

Derek was a true gentleman and will be sadly missed.

LANCASHIRE SCOUT SHOOTING

There has been a consultation paper produced entitled 'Proposal for the Establishment of 'Lancashire Scouts Shooting'. Its purpose is to elicit the views of interested parties within the shooting sports and the Scout movement with respect to the establishment

of scouts shooting group.

The paper has been prepared by John Lloyd and I who both have strong links to both the shooting sports and Scouting. We feel that the two groups can derive benefits from the development of a closer relationship. We see these as:

Young people are introduced to shooting thereby to a challenging and rewarding sport; Disabled young people are introduced to a sport in which they can excel.

The shooting clubs are given the opportunity to recruit new members. In general terms the paper envisages that the LSS will have an annual programme whereby it will visit clubs around Lancashire; probably one a month. This will provide access to shooting facilities for the young people; introduce them to the clubs in their area and to different aspects of the shooting sports. The LSS will be directly managed by its own adult leadership.

The group will also enter regional and national competitions and have an annual camp at the National Shooting Centre at Bisley.

The proposal envisages a significant commitment on the part of the shooting clubs including:

Providing access to facilities and use of equipment;

Providing range officers/coaches; having a programme for welcoming; safeguarding and mentoring young people who join a club.

It is our hope to inaugurate the LSS in the New Year. In anticipation of this we'd like to seek the views of as many interested parties as we can. Could we therefore ask you to review the paper and let us have any comments or suggestions by the end of September? We will then arrange a meeting in October to discuss the outcome of this consultation and put in place plans to start the LSS.

Please feel free to forward this to anyone who you think might have an interest in the operation of the LSS.

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Gold for Wilson



Claybuster Peter Wilson won the Gold Medal in the Olympic Double Trap, beating Hakan Dahlby of Sweden who took the Silver, and Vasily Mosin of Russia, Bronze.

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Four years ago, Peter Wilson was invited to the Beijing Games as part of Great Britain's Olympic Ambition Programme.

The programme was designed to give possible future Olympians the chance to sample what was being experienced by Team GB's class of 2008.

Wilson, then 21, was bitten by the bug; fast forward four years and he is now a British Olympic champion. The 6ft 5in Dorset-based shooter opted to focus on the double trap in March 2006 and before the end of the year he had claimed the European junior title.

As a result of his early success, Wilson benefited from UK Sport funding until that was cut in 2008. He tried to raise money himself by working as a waiter at a bar, but that left him exhausted and affected his training. Fortunately for the former Millfield School student, his parents supported him financially until he was back on the funding programme. And he admitted he was "privileged and lucky" that they owned a small farm which was near Southern Counties shooting range where he trained.

His fortunes then took a turn for the better when, in 2009, Athens gold medallist Sheikh Ahmed Bin Mohammed Bin Hasher Al Maktoum agreed to coach him for free, someone Wilson says is a "great guy". "Without him I wouldn't be where I am," he has said.

The results began rapidly improving in the years that followed. Wilson finished the year top of the British rankings, before excelling on the international stage with gold medals in the World Cup.

He collected team silver in the European Championships last year, along with Sydney gold medallist Richard Faulds and Steven Walton, and this year set a new world record in the double trap with a remarkable score of 198 out of 200 at the World Cup in Arizona.

In an interview with the BBC last month, Wilson said: "This is only my first Olympics, so I'm taking pressure off myself.

"Winning is down to a physical and mental combination and I've got to be as positive as I can be. If I get nervous and overawed then I'll tense up.

"I'll only be able to tell you how I coped after the competition - hopefully I'll have a gold medal around my neck.

"I want to put myself in the best possible position to perform at the highest level in London. If I stand there thinking I've done my absolute best, then I'll be happy."

By Saj Chowdhury BBC Sport

CLSTSA Individual Rifle League

- Div 1.
1. Mrs Doyle Wigan
 2. J Wilkinson M
 3. M Lowe. Wigan

- Div 2
1. T Horrocks Salford
 2. C O'Leary Wigan
 3. B Craig. BP
- Div 3
1. G A Fidler Salford
 2. J Foster Vulcan
 3. B Jones. BB
- Div 4
1. S Kay Vic
 2. K Skidmore Vulcan
 3. D Hunter. Ashton u Lyne
- Div 5
1. P Meadows Wigan
 2. M Hesketh Vulcan
 3. Bogey
- Div 6
1. B Ward BP
 2. Miss R Hunter Ashton u Lyne
 3. R Sockett. Vulcan
- Div 7
1. Div 7 Average
 2. D Knight.
 3. K Rawcliffe. BB

PROPOSED COUNTY RIFLE TEAMS FOR 2012/13

Based on CLSTSA & NSRA Comp Scores. Issued Aug 2012

'A' Team

Name	Club
1 Mrs H Doyle	Wig
2 J Kay	BB
3 J Wilkinson	More
4 G Meadows	Wig
5 D Scanlon	Ley
6 Mrs E Connell	Warr
7 M Lowe	Wig
8 R Horrocks	Sal
9 B Craig	BP
10 S Sandground	Sal
11 B Jones	BB
12 G Fidler	Sal
13 N Cook	More
14 S Kay	Vic
15 P Cook	BP
16 J Donovan	Vul
17 D Lloyd	CBL
18 K Skidmore	Vul
19 N Battersby	BP
20 D Young	Sal

Reserves Team

1 S Clarke	Wig
2 E Chadwick	Vul
3 P Shaw	AUL
4 W Taylor	BP
5 C O'Leary	Wig
6 T Bryan	BP
7 T Horrocks	Sal
8 C Brown	BP
9 J Fidler	Sal
10 Miss K Marsden	Ley

Ladies Team

1 H Doyle Capt.	Wig
2 M Gardner	Bury
3 K Marsden	Ley
4 D Carnforth	Bury
5 E Connell	Warr

Scores will be monitored and any improvement or deterioration may effect final selection. Hopefully there are a number of members who will be available to shoot as substitutes should the need arise.

The lowdown on lead

An article in Countryside Alliance Newsletter.

As we have been aware for some time, the question of lead ammunition is alive in Europe. The 20,000 emails you have sent to MEPs via our e-lobby in lead shot's defence bears testament to that.

Last week the Countryside Alliance had a very useful discussion on the subject at the FACE offices in Brussels (FACE, of course, being the European umbrella body for fieldsports).

The meeting was attended by several shooting organisations from member states, including BASC. The purpose of the meeting, which was the first of its kind, was to identify and discuss the many threats that lead faces in Europe.

The recent survey by the European Chemicals Agency was just one of these and a list of further issues can be found at: <http://www.countryside-alliance.org/ca/campaigns-shooting/we-give-you-the-lowdown-on-lead>.

It was extremely encouraging to discover that every other nation present is equally as concerned about the issues that we face. The threats span politics and science and therefore require a united front to defend our sport.

The overwhelming response to our lead MEP lobby has launched the debate into the forefront of many decision makers' minds at this very critical time. Nevertheless, we must not rest on our laurels as there are still organisations that are continually pushing in every way they can to get a ban on lead.

Continued co-operation and knowledge-sharing though FACE makes a critical difference, both in Europe and domestically, for the preservation of our shooting.

Barney White-Spinner
Executive Chairman

Coming events Light Sporting Rifle Championships 2012 Sunday, 14th October 2012

Burnley Rifle Club

Entry forms for the LSR Championship may be obtained from the Hon Sec: Paul Holdstock, address below, or online at www.clstsa.org

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