22nd March, 1977.

NEWSLETTER

Winter Results

The scores of the postal finals are appended. While the qualifying standards were down on last year, those in the Finals were well up. So much so that there is a three-way tie on 300 to determine the Medal itself and the A Class Tankard! Congratulations to all the winners (prizes at the A.G.M.) and here's to a cracker of a final to the Speedway at Perth this Sunday!

Team Trials

The stickers for those who have already entered are enclosed. The list will remain open for the 1977 trials postal stage (50p entry) until shooting closes. The cards have to be back in my hands by 30th April as the first shoulder-to-shoulder stage is at Perth on 8th May.

1978 is the year of the Commonwealth Games in Canada. In preparation, the 1978 squad will be formed in October this year. Composite 1977 outdoor performance in trials, meetings, leagues and matches will determine list for final trial in October. During the winter each member will have a recommended training schedule and a series of regional coaching sessions will be held. Promising juniors may also be included. In March/April, 1978, trials will reduce the list to 6 who will then have further training/trials (with automatic target changers) to determine our nominations.

Mr. Andrew Lang (Clay Pigeon) has been chosen as Manager of the Scottish team. With luck the team allocation should be increased from the current seven to ten places with two for smallbore rifle (prone).

Matches

- New Zealand N.I. (postal indoors) we lost the 1976 match by 4 points (5887 to 5883). Our 1977 cards will be shot in April with team selection after the Speedway.
- (2) Easter match (Holland-Belgium-Scotland-Wales-England) at very short notice, this year's match is being staged in Belgium. We shall have a prone rifle and an air rifle team in the field.
- (3) Army our turn away, on 11th/12th June, with a ten-man team prone rifle and six-man air rifle.
- (4) Wales planned at home, but now off as Wales feel unable to travel to Aberdeen in June so close to the Scottish.
- (5) Mini-Games in Isle of Man, 1st/2nd October.
- (6) Home Countries matches at Scottish and Bisley and Home Countries Air Rifle at Cardiff in October.

N.S.R.A./

ENTRY FORM				
Name	Club			
		Current <u>Average</u>		
1977 Team Trials	Cards returned by 30/4/77	50 pence		
Summer leagues -				
Air rifle	Entries by 9/4/77	50 pence		
3-Position	n n n	50 pence		
Prone rifle (indoor)	п п п	50 pence		
Freuchie I.K.O.	Entries by 3/7/77(5p.m.) at Dumfries	best 10 of last 12		
Return to R. Normand,		by 9th April, 1977.		

N.S.R.A. National Squads

Members are reminded of the change in format from regional nominations to approved 50 metre meetings. These are listed on page 5 of the February Rifleman. There are no such nominated meetings in Scotland in 1977 (to date). The Association will organise at least one in 1978 and members are asked to urge their county associations, or even their clubs, to consider holding open 50 metre shoots with this object in mind. I would be happy to co-ordinate dates.

Fundraising

A two-pronged attack is planned for 1977. Details of the Association 200-Club and of sponsored shoots are enclosed. Members should choose their own best time for running their sponsored shoot but the month of April, (first half) before going outdoors, is recommended. For the 200-Club first come first served and remember (a) the pay-out is a better percentage than the Pools, and (b) the balance goes to a worthier cause!

Coaching

Miss Sue Ann Sandusky, a member of the U.S. Army Reserve Team and top positional and air rifle shooter, is on a year's course of study in London. She has kindly agreed to run a coaching clinic for S.S.R.A. members which we are trying to arrange for Stirling (Infirmary Social Hall) on 16th and/or 17th April. Her main subjects will be the psychology of shooting and match preparation. Details will be sent upon request and numbers may have to be limited. My day-time phone number is Johnstone and home (10.30 - 11.00 p.m. is preferred time).

Summer Compositions

An entry form below shows the individual competitions being run for members this summer. Please note the closing dates for entries.

Note also the Freuchie, the S.S.R.A. Individual Knock-Out shot at the Scottish meeting. Each round is 20 shots at 100 yards again two opponents with the winner progressing to the next round. First round Monday, 4th July, at 1.00 p.m., second round Tuesday, 5th July, at 1.00 p.m. Entries may be made on the range up to 5.00 p.m. Sunday, 3rd July. The fee of 60 pence is increased this year to include a small levy for the Scottish Shooting Council funds.

Meetings

April 2nd/3rd Lanarkshire Open (Barrack Street) 50 & 100 yards indoor
May 28th/29th Perthshire Open (Perth C.&C.) 50 & 100 yards outdoors
August 6th/7th Stirlingshire Open 50 & 100 yards outdoors
September (mid) 2nd Scottish Open Air Rifle Meeting in Stirling.

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Badgos & Sweatershirts

Association cloth badges are available (price £1.50) and a small stock of sweatershirts in medium and large sizes remains (price £4.95).

Bob Normand Secretary.

SCOTTISH SMALL-BORE RIFLE ASSOCIATION

1977 RESULTS

Medal & Tankards

	Class A			Class B
Points Dropped			Points Dropped	
0	R. Cooper, Impala)	ie	2	W.F. Mackenzie, Pentland (Tankard)
	R Normand Clasconii Hall	Shoot	5	W.T. Clark, Ardeer
2	A. McConnell, Redcraig		6	H.S. Bruce, Stirkoke
	H. Simpson, Wick O.S.		7	S.A. Guild, Watsonians G.C. Smith, Caithness
3	I.B. Robertson, Peterhead J.N. Knowles, Ardeer		8	Mrs. E.M. Dick, Clachnacuddin
4	I. Cruickshank, Elgin			R.D. Anderson, Northern Co-op
	M. Sinclair, Portlethen C.W. Shepherd, Banchory		9	A.B. McConnell, Redcraig
5	P. McIntosh, Clachnacuddin		n.c.r.	J. Eccles, Alloa D.L. Tait, Caithness
	D.M. Henderson, Westfield			
6	I. Shanks, Bon Accord			
n.c.r.	P.B. Cook, Blackpool D.J. McIntosh, Elgin A.M. Munro, Clachnacuddin			
	Class C			Class D
5	A. Baird, Larbert (Tankard)		7	Miss F. Grieve, Larbert (Tankard)
6	A. McDougal, Glasgow Rail D. Grieve, Larbert		8	D.W. Miller, Wick O.S. A. Munro, Wick O.S.
7	A.S. Mackay, Westfield		13	Miss S. Thomson, Glenrothes
8	Mrs. M.H. Curtis, Leeds Har	rehills	3.5	J. McMorran, Lanark
9	W.H.C. Alexander, Carshalto	n	15	Miss S. Ramsay, Bon Accord
10	J. Cassells, Glenrothes		20	D. Macdonald, Dulnain Bridge
1.4	Mrs. M. Macdonald, Army		22	D.G. Cuthbertson, Balerno&Currie
14	J.A. McCook, Dulnain Bridge		26	J.M. Pitcher, Glenrothes
24	C. McConnell, Redcraig		n.c.r.	K. Mowat, Wick D.S.
n.c.r.	J. Manson, Westfield B. Mackenzie, Bearsden			

Mrs. M. Stevenson, Alloa

Speedway Tie-Shoot

Points Dropped					
0	W. Moonie, Stirling R.I.	0	0	0	Qualifies for Final
1	A. McConnell, Redcraig C.G. De Jonckheere, St. Nicholas J.C. Manson, Elgin	0 0	0	0 1 1	Reserve 1 N/A Reserve 2
3	J. Lavety, Portlethen	1	1	1	" 3
4	G.A.S. Guyan, Bon Accord	1	3	0	n. 44-
6	H. Simpson Jnr., Wick O.S.	0	3	3	. 5
11	D. Ritchie, Dulnain Bridge	4	4	3	" 6
n.c.r.	A.M. Munro, Clachnacuddin P.M.L. Westwater, St. Andrews Uni	V.			

Final at Perth on Sunday, 27th March, starting 11.00 a.m.

CanDicap

0	J. Normington, Northern Co-op (6)	100	100	(£5 + Trials Entry)
1	W. Macdonald, Dulnain Bridge (5) Mrs. L. Fraser, Ardeer (6) G. McGregor, Banchory (6) W.H.C. Alexander, Carshalton (5)	100 99 99 100	99 100 100 99	
2	G. Webb, Stirling R.I. (12) W. Sutherland, Banchory (5) A. McDougal, Glasgow Rail (6)	99 99 99	99 99 99	A. McDougel, Clargo S. Orlens, Largers
3	I. Burgess, Bearsden (7) T.A. Rae, Beauly (5) S. McCook, Dulnain Bridge (5)	98 98 98	99 99 99	or or series of the series
4	Miss F. Grieve, Larbert (7) P.E. Pegram, Ardeer (6)	99 99	97 97	